



## JoAnn Courtney

November 19, 1933 - April 16, 2023

JoAnn Courtney of Elmore City, Oklahoma was one of 10 children born to Magnalena and Jessie Horn. She was born November 19, 1933, in Orr, Oklahoma. She took her last breath on April 16, 2023 with family at her side at the age of 89. JoAnn's husband and nine other siblings (5 brothers and 4 sisters) proceeded her in death.

In earlier days, JoAnn attended school in Wynnewood, Oklahoma. On August 9, 1952, she married the late Kenneth Courtney in Ardmore, Oklahoma and they made their home in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for many years. While in that area she worked for Western Electric Company and T G & Y stores for years until her retirement. In 1982, they moved to Elmore City, Oklahoma, at which time she decided going with Kenneth on ventures to buying and selling, cattle, tractors, etc., most days wasn't her "cup of tea" so she went back to work for Walmart stores for several years, then retired again.

JoAnn accepted her Lord and Savior into her life at a young age in Wynnewood, Oklahoma and was a member of the Dumas Avenue Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. She loved canning fruits and vegetables. She was a gifted seamstress who could sew any garment upon first glance by designing her own patterns. JoAnn would sew, hem, repair, darn and patch clothing for anyone in her community or out of state and would not charge them a penny. JoAnn's legacy was one of kindness, modesty, honor, generosity and genuine integrity. She was as good a cook as a seamstress and enjoyed sharing meals with others.

Mrs. Courtney is survived by three daughters; Connie Fogle (husband Martin) of Oklahoma City, Sandra Bumgarner (husband Larry) of Lake Texoma, and Elizabeth Courtney of Elmore City. She is blessed to have one Grandson, Jeromé Fogle (wife Jami) of Mulhall, Oklahoma and granddaughter, Courtney Carpenter (husband Caleb) of Piedmont, Oklahoma. She also leaves great-grandchildren: Jace Fogle, Joci Fogle, Cam Carpenter and Calan Carpenter who were all so loved and precious to her, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

God saw she was getting tired and a cure was not to be, so he put his arms around her and whispered "Come with Me". A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands were laid to rest, God broke our hearts to prove to us He Only Takes the Best.

Funeral services are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 21, 2023, at the Wooster

Funeral Home Chapel in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma with Joe Terrell officiating. You may send a condolence to the family at [www.woosterfuneralhomes.com](http://www.woosterfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Elmore City)  
105 S. Main  
Elmore City, OK

## Public Visitation

APR **20**. 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Elmore City)  
105 S. Main  
Elmore City, OK

## Funeral Service

APR **21**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home Chapel  
1601 S. Chickasaw  
Pauls Valley, Ok

# Tribute Wall

NR

“ Naomi Ross lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Courtney



Naomi Ross - April 21, 2023 at 05:48 AM

BW

“ Bruce Woods lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Courtney



Bruce Woods - April 20, 2023 at 10:19 PM

JT

“ Joanie Townsend lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Courtney



Joanie Barry Townsend - April 19, 2023 at 05:39 PM



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Wooster Funeral Home & Cremation Services - April 19, 2023 at 12:42 PM

JW

“ *Judy Willis lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Courtney*



**Judy Willis** - April 18, 2023 at 03:19 PM

TM

“ *Our deepest condolences to the family. JoAnn holds a special place in our hearts. Our visits meant so much to us.*

*Love*

*Larry and Tonya McPhail*

*Elderwood, California*

**Tonya and Larry McPhail** - April 18, 2023 at 12:12 PM

SA

*You traveled a long way to see her and she enjoyed every minute of it. Love you both.  
Sandy Courtney Bumgarner*

**Sandy** - April 20, 2023 at 11:09 AM

LA

“ *Arlene says she remembers her & J.B. being baptized together @ Dumas Avenue with your Mom& Dad! Said they were all in baptistery at the same time & Bro. Andy was the pastor. She also remembers all the beautiful clothes JoAnn made for her & surprised her with! Your Mom was so precious to everyone! “Well done good & faithful servant!”* ❤️

**Linda Adair** - April 18, 2023 at 10:58 AM

SS

“ I met JoAnn summer 1980 at a Courtney family reunion. It was my first time back to the United States. Aunt JoAnn was already at the lake. I heard this loud voice, sounding somewhat angry. She was giving out orders about the meal, and when people didn't listen, she pointed with her whole arm to emphasize what she wanted done. Scared me to pieces.

She yelled: - Where is she! She looked at the people who had brought me there. Someone shower me forward. Aunt JoAnn came walking towards me with this huge beautiful smile and hugged me tight in a loving embrace.

- We've been waiting a long time to meet you.

Evertime I went back to the States she always wanted me to visit. She gave me so many beautiful things she had made, so many that I had to get an extra suitcase for the trip back to Sweden. I know she put a lot of thought and love in what she made.

I have so many awesome memories of her. She will be sorely missed but always remembered. Thank you great lady for your warm embrace and huge smile every time I got to see you. Rest in peace. ❤️

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**Sherri Skinner** - April 18, 2023 at 10:27 AM

DM

“ Darlene McAlister lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Courtney



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**Darlene McAlister** - April 17, 2023 at 08:32 PM

NH

“ Jo Ann was such a sweet lady and would do anything for anyone! Her laugh was infectious and she had a precious sense of humor. She will be missed by many. Love you, Beth!

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**Nancy Haley** - April 17, 2023 at 07:59 PM

LH

“ Sure loved being neighbors with the Courtneys. JoAnn was one of a kind, and I continue to miss her even now. Praying blessings to all her family and friends.



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**Linda Howard** - April 17, 2023 at 03:24 PM