



## Carole Barnes Finnell

June 19, 1934 - September 24, 2023

Carole Barnes Finnell was born June 19, 1934, in Owasso, Oklahoma, to Paul Wallace

Barnes and Juanita Mae Crumpton Barnes. She died Sunday, September 24, 2023, in Owasso

at the age of 89 years. Carole traveled with her family all over Texas, Oklahoma and eastern

New Mexico growing up, eventually returning home to Owasso where she graduated with the

Owasso High School Class of 1952. Carole married her high school sweetheart, Jerry Finnell,

who was a wonderful husband and father to their three children. She was equally as fortunate

to have a second life partner, Bill Oden, who filled her life with joy and adventure. Carole

spent much of her professional career as an office secretary with Owasso Public Schools. She

later worked in real estate as a realtor, as office manager for her son Bracken Finnell, D.D.S.,

and at the Amoco Career Center as clerical assistant and manager with her daughter-in-law,

Kelly.

Carole was a strong woman of faith and was a member of the First United

Methodist

Church of Owasso. She enjoyed a variety of creative pastimes, including crafting thoughtful gifts for others, decorating, collecting antiques, and snow skiing. Carole and her husband Bill traveled across the country together, reaching 49 states; they traveled to many of these in their motorhome during summertime, sending postcards to loved ones along the way. Carole was an avid reader and writer, always keeping a journal. She dearly loved her family and was especially fond of her role as "Nana". Those she leaves behind who hold many cherished memories include:

Husband; Bill Oden

Children; Bracken Finnell and wife Kelly

Jill Henrie and husband Danny

Grandchildren; Danielle White

Hunter Henrie

Kalyn Mae Finnell

Cale Finnell

Great grandchildren; Leia White, Ryn White, Mila Finnell, and Sage Finnell

Sister; Paula Daniel and husband David

Stepchildren; Mary Oden

Neal Oden

Allen Oden and children

Chris Oden and children

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry, parents, Paul and Juanita Barnes, brother,

Jim Barnes, daughter, Jami Finnell, and grandson, Hance Henrie.

Funeral service will be held 3:00 p.m. Thursday, October 5, 2023, at the First United

Methodist Church of Owasso with Pastor Jim Cinocca officiating. The family requests

memorial contributions be made in Carole's memory to the John 3:16 Mission, Attn.;

Development Dept., P.O. Box 1477, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74101-1477, or the Hance Henrie

Memorial Scholarship-Fund- note "In Memory of Carole Finnell" at- [www.fumc-owasso.org](http://www.fumc-owasso.org).

Arrangements and services were entrusted to Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso.

[www.moweryfs.com](http://www.moweryfs.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **5**. 3:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church Owasso  
13800 E. 106th St. N  
Owasso, OK 74055

## Memorial Fund

OCT **5** (CT)

John 3:16 Mission  
575 North 39th West Avenue  
Tulsa, OK 74127

*Attn.: Development Dept.*

# Tribute Wall



“ *She was always a great friend*

Krissy Epp - October 05, 2023 at 09:04 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carole Barnes Finnell.

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



October 04, 2023 at 09:44 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



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October 03, 2023 at 11:37 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



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October 03, 2023 at 10:07 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



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October 02, 2023 at 05:27 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



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September 29, 2023 at 09:30 AM

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“ *Carole was such a vivacious kind lady! I always loved being around her and working with her! Gordona Duca*

Gordona - September 28, 2023 at 02:21 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



September 28, 2023 at 02:01 PM

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“ *I remember one day when I was on an outing with Carole's mom, Juanita and we stopped at Carole's Tulsa home. It was very cool early springtime outside, but inside she was making Easter baskets. The dining room table was crowded with all kinds of baskets filled with all kinds of colorful goodies and trinkets. Carole still made baskets for her grown up kiddies as well as the grandchildren. I have to wonder if someone else took on that sweet tradition. It was definitely a big job, but she had such great fun doing it. Family was everything to Carole...and she was everything to them. Oh, she will be missed. With a heavy heart, Dorothy Inglima.*

Dorothy Inglima - September 27, 2023 at 08:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carole Barnes Finnell.*



September 27, 2023 at 07:30 PM