



# Joelyn Elizabeth Phillips

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Joelyn Elizabeth Phillips went to be with our Lord and Savior on June 11, 2025, lovingly surrounded by her family. Joelyn was born on February 24, 1935 in Mangum, Oklahoma to Joe and Louise Andress. She was the eldest of three children with a brother, Don, and a sister, Francille. She spent her childhood in the Borger, Texas area where she attended school and also where she gave her life to Jesus. While in high school, she met the love of her life, Tommy Jack Phillips. The two married on June 5, 1953, one week after her graduation from high school, and began their 68 year marriage together before Tommy passed in 2021.

Joelyn and Tommy lived a full and adventurous life, making homes in Pampa and Perryton, Texas, Casper, Wyoming, Lakewood, Colorado, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, and finally settling in Longview to be close to family. Wherever they went they made lifelong friendships that carried them through the years, and were always faithful in serving Christ. Joelyn was passionate about Bible studies, especially Precept Ministries and loved to teach God's Word. Her deep knowledge of the Word brought comfort to her in hard times but also to so many that she ministered to. Her faith and family brought her deep joy and purpose. She and Tommy raised their two children to know and love the Lord and that has passed down to her grandchildren and great grandchildren. To know Joelyn was to know kindness, compassion, and quiet strength. She faced life's challenges with grace and determination and offered steady love and encouragement to those around her. She will be deeply missed and joyfully remembered by all who had the blessing of knowing her.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Tommy, and by her parents, Joe and Louise Andress. She is survived by her son, Jack, and his wife Julie, of Casper, Wyoming, and her daughter, Karen Roe, and her husband, Lance, of Longview. She is also lovingly remembered by her grandchildren, Autumn Phillips, Gabriel Phillips, Loren Roe (Betsy), Bryan Roe (Angela), and Colin Roe (Ashton). Her legacy continues through her great-grandchildren as well – Myah Phillips and Norah, Elliott, Henry, Camilla, Landry and JP Roe. She is also survived by her brother, Don



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Andress and his wife Delma of Houston, and her sister, Francille Mahan, of Deer Park, along with numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to the loving staff at Buckner Assisted Living who gave tender-loving care the last year and a half and also the nurses/staff at HeartsWay Hospice who provided much needed support and special attention in her final days. All of these special people truly exemplified a servant's heart in all that they did for our mom. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

A memorial service for Joelyn will be held Saturday, June 14, 2025, at 11 am at Rader Funeral Home with visitation immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, please consider giving a donation to the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch in Amarillo, Texas, or to the Benevolence Ministry at Mobberly Baptists Church.




## Events


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### Memorial

 **Saturday**, June 14, 2025

 1:11 AM CT

 **Chapel of Rader Funeral Home of Longview**  
1617 Judson Road, Longview TX 75601





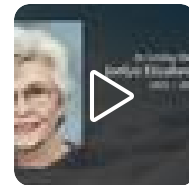
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**Rader Funeral Home** shared a **Video**.



June 13 at 4:41 AM



**Beth Runnels** June 14 at 7:34 AM

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**Cathie Andress Kimbell** June 14 at 11:09 AM

This wonderful Christian lady was my cousin and is loved so much and will be missed by all.  
Cathie Andress Kimbell



**Debbie Lewis** posted:

Mrs Joelyn was such a friend to my Mom, Anna Tucker, before she passed a year ago at Buckner. I enjoyed visiting with her & Ms Ella at their table each meal! They met at the Skilled Nursing & became fast friends at the Assisted Living. In my Mom's last days, the nurses brought Ms Joelyn to visit her. Mom was semiconscious but she revived to tell Mrs Joelyn she loved her. Then Mrs Joelyn prayed for Mom. My pastor husband was on the phone & told me later, that lady prayed a powerful prayer!! Don't you know they are enjoying visiting & introducing their husbands to each other!! Such sweet memories of a giant lady of faith! So sorry for your loss but what a blessing to know she is without pain or any issues in her body! Let your memories comfort your heart in the coming weeks! Debbie Tucker Lewis

June 20 at 9:37 AM



**Cathie Andress Kimbell** posted:

One of my favorite memories of Joelyn & Tommy is when we were about 6 years old my cousin, Linda Andress Earnhart, and I were Flower Girls in their wedding in a precious, tiny, oldfashioned Baptist Church in Borger, Texas. It is still there today. In loving memory to all, Cathie Andress Kimbell

June 14 at 7:23 AM



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**Phyllis Welk** posted:

Joelyn was to me a special gift and treasure, a sweet friend that sticks close like a sister. The most precious thing we shared was our love for the Word of God and our relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We taught Precept Bible studies together at FBC Broken Arrow for many years and grew together in our faith as women, teachers of the Word and our friendship. I was so blessed to be Joelyn's friend, confident and prayer partner. We talked on the phone many times after she moved to Texas and prayed together for each other, for our ministries and our families. What a blessing it always was to chat about life and then spend time seeking the Lord together in prayer. My most recent sweet memory was about two years ago when I was able to drive down to Longview to visit her after Tommy passed. I am so thankful that I was able to see her in person and share a weekend together. And more than anything, I'm thankful I will see my sister again (soon). Praise Jesus that she is safely in His arms and that she is enjoying a wonderful reunion with Tommy and her family and friends who have gone on before. Love and prayers to Joelyn's family at this special time of remembering her life. Phyllis Welk, Broken Arrow, OK

June 13 at 1:41 PM



**Charles D.** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Phillips family.



June 13 at 11:57 AM



**Charles D.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Joelyn.



June 13 at 11:57 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Phillips family.



June 13 at 8:07 AM



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**Darby And Linda Washeck** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Phillips family.

June 12 at 3:13 PM



**Love, Your Hilltop Baptist Church Family** sent a Fall Fantasia to the Phillips family.

June 12 at 1:29 PM





## Media

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

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