



Earline Enette West Larson

October 4, 1938 - November 3, 2021

The funeral service for Earline Larson will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, November 8, 2021, at the Zion Lutheran Church with Pastor Tim Roggow officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva. Interment will be at a later date in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Earline Enette West Larson passed away peacefully on the 3rd day of November, 2021, at the Arbors in Enid, Oklahoma. She was born on the 4th day of October 1938, in Cheyenne Wyoming, to Helen Harriett (Campbell) and Earl Enoch West and baptized a child of Christ at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Earline had a younger sister – Sherline West. Even at a young age, Earline excelled at everything she set out to accomplish. Earline graduated from Cheyenne Central High School, in Cheyenne, Wyoming, in 1956 at the age of 16. Earline loved to sew and was very active in 4-H. From age 10 through college, she spent years sewing and tailoring clothing and won the Wyoming State 4-H Style Review and the Make it Yourself with Wool contests. She also played the violin and was an accomplished musician.

Earline attended the University of Wyoming (UW) and majored in Home Economics. While in college, she played in the university orchestra. In 1959, she was crowned Miss Wyoming Wool. She was second runner-up in the National Competition. Earline graduated from UW in 3½ years and held down

several jobs. She received a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. She later earned a Masters in Creative Arts and Learning from Leslie College in Boston, Massachusetts. Earline was also a feature model for the Cheyenne Tribune/Eagle, photographed in countless pictures with highlights published in a collection of photos by Francis S Brammar entitled "One-Shot Brammar".

In 1960, she married Robert William Larson Jr. and later divorced in 1987. Of the marriage, they had two daughters, Dawnine Enette Larson-Meyer, and Westline Helen Mae Larson Ritter. Earline began her teaching career as the home economics teacher at Lusk High School. She then taught elementary education in Cheyenne, both 2nd and 3rd grades, for 36 years. She had a passion for teaching and loved her job. After retirement, Earline worked for Dillards Department Store and excelled in sales. She received numerous awards for top salesperson in the Denver region. She described a deep love for serving her customers. Earline was blessed with amazing friends including her best friends Mona Burton and John Hruby, and Jeannie Threbro, Lynn and Jon Winkler, Joan Stout and Chad Bures. She loved to garden, walk and read to her grandchildren.

Earline loved Christmas. The Christmas Eve candlelight service was a highlight. Christmas day at the Larson's involved at least a 10-foot blue spruce decorated with an eclectic collection of antique, modern and hand-crafted ornaments placed in the middle of the large living room. She entertained several of her mother's friends who didn't have a place to celebrate. Her children and grandchildren had what seemed like countless presents; she shopped throughout the year to ensure there was a bounty of gifts. Her sons-in-law affectionately describe the day as traveling around Cheyenne picking up all the older ladies who needed a good meal at Christmas. It was a grand affair, and she loved serving the countless number a huge meal. Often the event ended in singing Christmas Carols, sipping hot Wassail or being entertained by the grandchildren. She also opened her heart to her daughter's

friends including Christine David who spent many holidays with the family.

Earline was passionate about caring for and serving others. After the death of her mother, Helen, Earline devoted herself to the care of her special needs sister. In 2018, Earline and her dog Rosie moved to Alva, Oklahoma. She moved into the Homestead. While in Alva, Earline loved attending Zion Lutheran Church and being involved in Ruth Circle, PEO, and Seasoned Saints. She especially loved exercising with the Alva Fit Chicks and spending time with her caregivers, Debbie Geisler and her daughters Inslee and Leighton Glass, Carla Smart, Shirley Hook and Lalo Pinales. She enjoyed Carla's sewing and craft projects, Shirley's adventures, bingo, baking cookies, gardening, walking and even escaping from the Homestead. Although Earline was in Alva a short time and was ill, she was blessed by the community and truly loved her family and friends.

Earline is preceded in death by her parents and sister. She is survived by her daughters, D. Enette Larson-Meyer and husband Dr. Mike Meyer, of Blacksburg, Virginia, and Westline Ritter and her husband, Douglas Ritter of Alva, Oklahoma. She is also survived by her beloved grandchildren, Rachel Nicole Golden and her husband, Jake Golden of Stillwater, Oklahoma; Grant Ritter and Garrett Ritter of Alva, Oklahoma; Lindsey Meyer of Billings Montana; Ian Meyer of Laramie, Wyoming; and Marlena Meyer of Bluefield, West Virginia. Earline is also survived by her friend, Judy Brown of Wyoming and by her special companions, Rosie the dog of Blacksburg, Virginia, and Rosie the cat, now the official housecat of the Arbors, Enid, Oklahoma.

Earline truly loved the Lord and is rejoicing in Heaven.

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 6. 9:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-2311
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

Viewing

NOV 7. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804
Alva, OK 73717
(580) 327-2311
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

Service

NOV 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

Zion Lutheran Church
218 Maple Street
Alva, OK 73717

Tribute Wall



“ *Earline Enette West Larson*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *Dawnine and Westline and Families - just want you to know we are thinking of all of you and you are in our thoughts and prayers in the loss of your great mom and grandmother. She is truly missed here in Cheyenne by all of our Class of 1956. She was very involved with us all as alumni of CHS and came to all our reunions over the years and our picnics and Christmas Parties. She will be so much missed by us all as our classmate and by me as a close and dear friend over the years. Our sons have a landscaping business and took care Earline's mom's yard for many years and then for Earline also as she took care of her sister Sherline. So we were very close with her family. Her mom also bought fruit from us as we sold peaches, pears, tomatoes, apricots and apples in the harvest months that we got from Utah. Helen was canning fruit for her girls right up to her death - she was a wonderful lady also who raised such a great and talented and loving and caring daughter as Earline. She was so devoted to Sherline and took such loving care of her. She would bring her to our reunions and parties. We send our love to you all and if you have a graveside service here in the spring, we hope you will let us know about it in the paper through Mona Burton or Chad Barrus. Love, from Judy Brown and all the CLass of 1956 in Cheyenne, Wyoming.*

Judy Peterson Brown - November 08, 2021 at 01:46 PM

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“ *Mona Burton & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Earline Enette West Larson.*



Mona Burton & Family - November 08, 2021 at 12:26 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Video Tribute*



Marshall Funeral Homes - November 06, 2021 at 03:10 PM

DK

“ *Dennis, Sherry, Karen, & Kathy purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Earline Enette West Larson.*



Dennis, Sherry, Karen, & Kathy - November 06, 2021 at 03:01 PM

LL

“ *Westlife and family So sorry about your mom. Now I know where you got your beauty from. May God wrap his arms around to comfort this family,*



Lisa and Monte Lopshire - November 06, 2021 at 02:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earline Enette West Larson.*



November 05, 2021 at 08:20 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Earline Enette West Larson.*



November 05, 2021 at 06:22 PM