



Phyllis LaGene Cate

April 27, 1947 - September 19, 2025

Phyllis LaGene Cate, 78, of Jay, Oklahoma, passed away on September 19, 2025, at her home. She was born April 27, 1947, in Truman, Arkansas, to Joe Metcalf and Phyllis Stanton.

She is preceded in death by both parents and several of her siblings.

Phyllis is survived by her husband Ron Cate, of the home; their children:

Kristi Eledge, of Huntsville, Arkansas, Frank Adams, also of Huntsville; Margo Hudgens and husband Tom, of Gentry, Arkansas; Jay Adams, also of Gentry; Rhonda Hergenrether and husband David, of Houston, Texas; Jacob Cate, of Jay, Oklahoma; and Jeffrey Cate, of St. Joseph, Missouri; many grand, great-grand, and great-great-grandchildren, with more on the way; sister, Sharon Alexander and Betty Woods; and her brother Dennis Metcalf.

Funeral services will be held at Mount Hermon Church, 42040 S 670 Rd, Jay, OK 74346, Jay, Oklahoma, on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

Burial will follow at Gentry Cemetery, Gentry, Arkansas. To sign the online guestbook, please visit: www.wassonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Gentry Cemetery

Gentry Cemetery
Gentry, AR 72734

Previous Events

Funeral

SEP 24. 1:00 PM (CT)

Mount Hermon Church
42040 S 670 Rd
Jay, OK 74346

Burial

SEP 24 (CT)

Gentry Cemetery
Gentry Cemetery
Gentry, AR 72734

Tribute Wall

TD

“ *The Delaware Co. Conservation District purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Phyllis LaGene Cate.*



The Delaware Co. Conservation District - September 23, 2025
at 01:49 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All Pink was purchased for the family of Phyllis LaGene Cate.*



September 22, 2025 at 03:45 PM

PJ

“ Phyllis was one of our small group that met in my garage for line dancing when the Covid shutdowns came. At the end of the dancing we would sit together and have prayer for concerns we had. She often brought up requests to remember her family members in specific prayers.

One day she arrived saying her son had lost his work keys that were on a ring with his vehicle keys at a celebration in Jay I believe. She stated she didn't know what to do about that. We gathered around to pray "right now" knowing that our great God knew exactly where the keys were. As we finished praying, Phyllis had a notification of a message on her phone. The keys had been found by a stranger and this person said where the keys were left!

That day we all learned when we have urgent needs, we need to take them to the Heavenly Father "right now."

I was grateful to have known this kind, funny, and generous spirit named Phyllis.

Pam Jarrett - September 22, 2025 at 09:44 AM

GS

The Sullins family is so very sorry for your loss, we will miss her very much. She was a good friend to all, glenda sullins

Glenda Sullins - September 23, 2025 at 08:52 PM

LM

“ This photo was taken downtown Siloam on Halloween a couple years ago. Oh, how I will miss you and your costumes & company forever. Yove always been a consistent and stable person to keep me grounded- you were always someone I could count on- and someone I admired so much all of my life. Nothing will ever be the same without you here. I miss you so much. Give Justus lots of love for me. Love you grandma.



Lakrisha Manjarrez - September 22, 2025 at 04:14 AM

SE

“ You couldn't know Phyllis without loving her. She was a light in every room she entered. Her eyes danced when she laughed and she called things like she saw them. She was a delight and a joy and I'm glad she was my friend.
Praying for this dear family.

Shelly Eason - September 21, 2025 at 10:37 PM

JG

“ Jenny Guthary lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Cate



Jenny Guthary - September 21, 2025 at 11:26 AM

LM

“ September 1st we can be to visit. You sang the AB C's with Zion & im so glad I took a video. I'll miss you- hearing your voice- your zest for life- your presence at every gathering. Everything send so surreal. I hope you've given Justus my love. My heart is broken without you two.



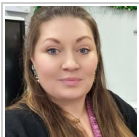
Lakrisha Manjarrez - September 21, 2025 at 02:29 AM

LM

“ September 1st we came to visit you. You and Zion sang us the ABC's. I'm going to miss the sound of your voice and your presence at every occasion. The world needs more people like you



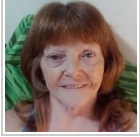
Lakrisha Manjarrez - September 20, 2025 at 10:43 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Niki Adams - September 20, 2025 at 09:24 PM



“ So very sorry for all you kids . I know she will be badly missed. I was just a kid when I met Phyllis. When she married my cousin. We will really miss her. Hugs and prayers to all of you.

Sandy Bradley - September 20, 2025 at 09:06 PM



“ I'm so sad to hear this. She was so sweet, I loved working with her at McKee Foods. One special lady. May God comfort you in this very difficult time.

Flora Forrest - September 20, 2025 at 08:08 PM

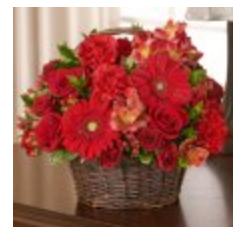


“ I worked with Phyllis at woodland manor, she was an awesome nurse & later a good friend. Many great memories at picnics, family gatherings & softball tournaments. She always had a smile, words of encouragement, a kind person with a good heart! She will be greatly missed. May you rest in peace my friend

Victoria Kinzey - September 20, 2025 at 06:52 PM



“ Larry and Kathryn Wood purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All Red for the family of Phyllis LaGene Cate.



Larry and Kathryn Wood - September 20, 2025 at 06:12 PM

JE

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jennifer - September 20, 2025 at 04:40 PM

JW

“ I had the privilege to get to know Phyllis when she was a nurse at Woodland Manor. She was also a nurse at McKee Foods. She was always a sweet and caring person. She will be greatly missed by all. Phyllis, may you R.I.P

Jane Woods - September 20, 2025 at 03:27 PM

LR

“ Liz Reading lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Cate



Liz Reading - September 20, 2025 at 03:12 PM