

The LORD is my *Shepherd;*  
I shall not want.

He maketh me  
lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restoreth my  
*soul.*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.

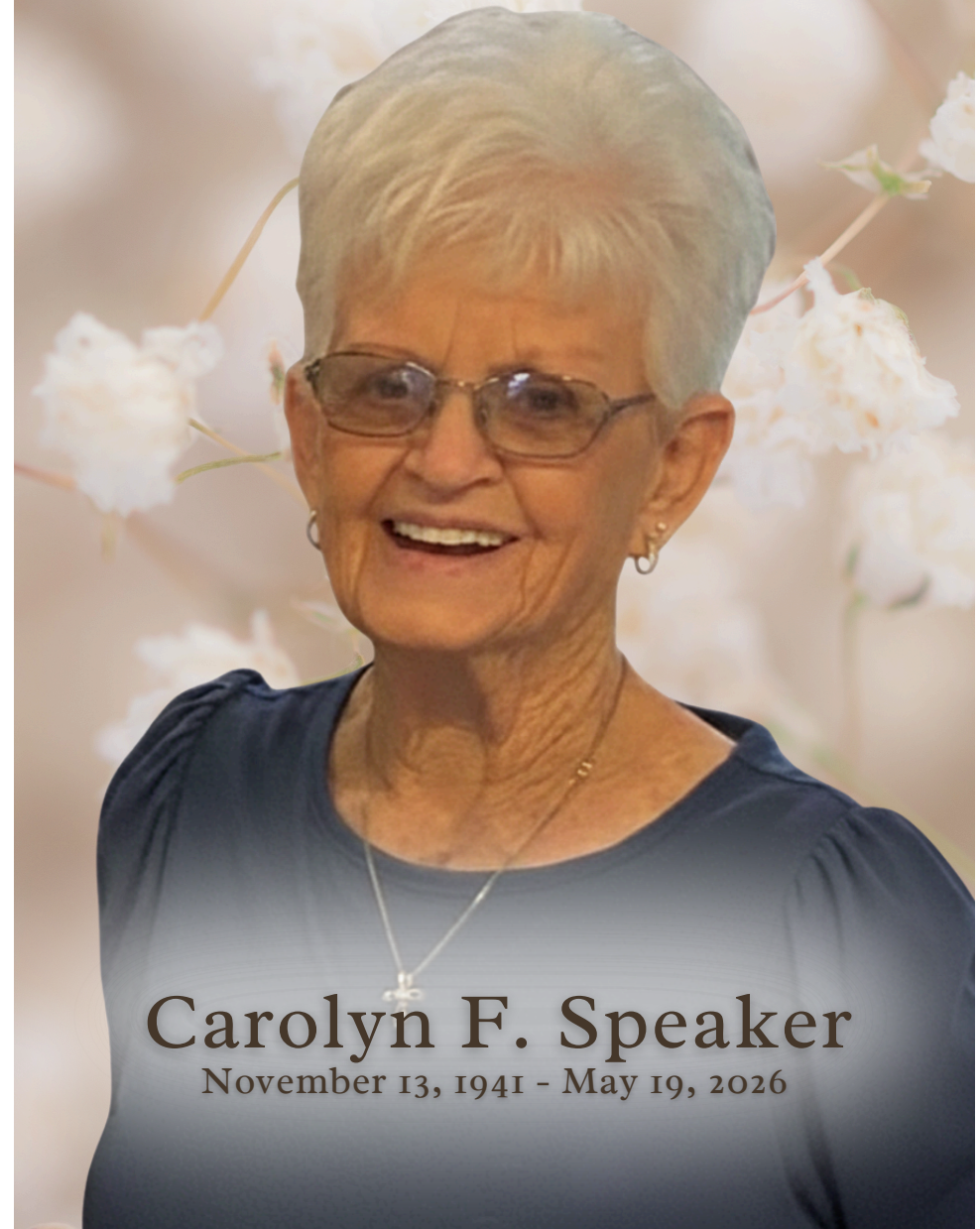
*I will fear no evil:*  
*for Thou art with me;*  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies

Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over  
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD *forever.*  
- Psalm 23

# *In Loving Memory*



**Carolyn F. Speaker**

November 13, 1941 - May 19, 2026

Carolyn F. Speaker, 84, of Sedalia, passed away peacefully surrounded by the love of her family on Tuesday, May 19, 2026.

Carolyn was born on November 13, 1941, in Pettis County, Missouri, a daughter of James and Marjorie (O'Bannon) Allen. On February 18, 1967, at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Florence, Missouri, she was united in marriage to Jack C. Speaker. Together they shared many wonderful years of marriage until Jack preceded her in death on June 22, 2024.

Carolyn was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church. She found joy in the simple things in life and treasured the time she spent with those she loved most. Carolyn enjoyed working word searches, taking drives to look at Christmas lights, and making yearly trips to the Missouri State Fair with Jack, a tradition they both dearly loved. She also shared a special bond with her beloved dog, Phoebe.

Carolyn was known for her warm heart and generous spirit, especially in the kitchen. She loved cooking for her family, friends, and neighbors, and everyone knew she made the very best meatloaf. Nothing brought her more happiness than family gatherings, birthdays, holiday celebrations, and sitting around the table surrounded by the people she loved. One of her greatest joys was the annual girls' trips to Branson with Tammy, Angie, Sara, and Ava, creating memories that will be cherished forever.

Carolyn will be remembered as a loving wife, mother, grandmother, neighbor, and friend whose kindness, hospitality, and love for family touched the lives of all who knew her. Her memory will live on in the traditions she created, the meals she lovingly prepared, and the countless moments shared with those she held dear.

Survivors include, two daughters, Angela Charles (Gary) of La Monte, MO, Tamara Crum of Hughesville, MO; one granddaughter, Sara Nicholson (Jared) of Lee's Summit; and one great-granddaughter, Ava Nicholson.

In addition to both of her parents and her husband she was preceded in death by five brothers; three sisters; and one son-in-law Danny Crum.

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## Funeral Service

11:00 am Friday, May 22, 2026

Heckart Funeral Home

Sedalia, Missouri

## Officiating

Jeff Page

## Music

"There Was Jesus"

"Amazing Grace"

## Interment

Bethlehem Baptist Cemetery

Memorial contributions are suggested to  
Bethlehem Baptist Cemetery or  
the Sedalia Animal Shelter Trooper Fund