

## *Psalm 23*

*1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

*2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths  
of righteousness for his name's sake.*

*4 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.*

*5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over.*

*6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all  
the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD for ever.*



**While processing to the cemetery, please be  
sure to turn on your lights and hazards!**

## *In Loving Memory of*



# *Carol Ann Houston*

*December 19, 1935*

*October 21, 2024*

# Carol Ann Houston

Carol Ann Houston, 88, of Sedalia, MO, peacefully passed away on Monday, October 21, 2024, at Golden Age Living Center in Stover, MO. Born on December 19, 1935, in Beaman, MO, she was the cherished daughter of Roy Pollard Wood and Bertha Gertrude (Fischer) Wood, both of whom preceded her in death.

On April 2, 1954, Carol united in marriage to her beloved husband, John Roy Houston, who remains at their home.

A proud graduate of Smithton High School in 1953, Carol furthered her education at Sedalia Business College. She met John while working as a waitress during the Mid-West State Fairs, a testament to her hardworking and vibrant spirit. Carol's professional journey included roles at the Prudential Life Insurance office and Town and Country Shoes, but her greatest joy came in her role as a devoted mother. She was the heart of her family, lovingly nurturing her four children, neighborhood kids, 4-H participants, and children from her church.

A dedicated member of Bethany Baptist Church in Sedalia, Carol's faith and community involvement were cornerstones of her life.

Carol's legacy lives on through her husband and their four children: Herbert Roy Houston (Susan), Lanny Brian Houston (Penny), Cynthia Rae Anderson (Paul), and Tracy Lynn Houston (Kristi), all of Smithton and Sedalia. She is also survived by her brother, Marvin Wood of Sedalia; eight grandchildren: Agusta, Leslie, Aaron, Kelsey, Joe, Alyssa, Kyle, and Brittany; thirteen great-grandchildren; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her parents, Carol was preceded in death by her brother, Roy Wood.

## Funeral Service

11:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 23, 2024

Rea Funeral Chapel

Sedalia, MO

### Officiant

Pastor Travis Battershell

### Special Music

*"I'll Fly Away"*

Guitarist - Sophie Anderson,

Vocalist - Grandchildren & Greatgrandchildren

*"I Want To Stroll Over Heaven With You"* - Video Tribute

*"Down To The River To Pray"*

### Interment

Salem Cemetery, Smithton, MO

### Pallbearers

Joe Anderson, Aaron Houston, Kyle Houston,

Kelsey Houston, Paul Owens, Jeremy Renfro

### Honorary Bearer

Doug Cribelar

### Memorial Contributions

Bethany Baptist Church

Salem Cemetery Fund