



## Carolyn Jean Flett

January 19, 1942 - August 4, 2018

Carolyn Jean Flett of Rolla, Missouri passed away peacefully at home, on Saturday, August 4, 2018 at the age of 76. Carolyn was born in St. Louis, Missouri on January 19, 1942 to the late Herman and Goldie (Birkman) Cotner.

Carol moved to Salem, Missouri in 1958, where she met the love of her life, Howard Flett. Howard and Carol were united in marriage on January 7, 1961. This union was blessed with three sons. They were happily married for 57 years.

After moving about in Missouri, they finally settled in Rolla, Missouri in 1979. Carol worked for Bank of America for many years before her retirement. She always had great love and respect for the Veterans of the community, and was proud to be a member of the American Legion Post #99, Ladies Auxiliary, and the St. James VFW Post #5608 Ladies Auxiliary. Carol was passionate about taking care of not only the living Veterans, but also the deceased. For the last several years Carol was dedicated to the Wreaths Across America program. She made it her personal mission to make sure every Veteran's headstone at the St. James Veterans Cemetery had a wreath. In September of each year Carol would start her fundraising mission. Her family, friends, and acquaintances were accustomed to her request for donations. Most people gladly donated as she was such a dedicated spokesperson. She would often

say, "I love my Veterans." The last task of her beautiful life was to make a macaroni salad for a dinner at the American Legion in Salem to celebrate a young man's departure for the Marines.

Carol was also an avid St. Louis Cardinals fan. Her family suggests casual dress (wear red and / or your St. Louis Cardinals attire) at the visitation, held at the James & Gahr Mortuary on Monday, August 6 from 5 – 7 PM. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Legion Post #99, or the VFW Post #5608.

Carol is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 57 years, Howard Flett, of the home; sons, Mark Flett, of Columbia, MO, Scott Flett and wife Melanie, of Salem, MO, and Travis Flett and wife Alyssa, of Colorado Springs, CO; grandchildren, Logan Flett and wife Lauren, Thorton Flett, and Ayla Flett; cousin, Jim Cotner, of Salem, MO; and a host of very special friends.

Funeral services for Carolyn Jean Flett will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at the Rolla Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary with Gaylynn Blankenship officiating. Special music will be performed by Robin Higley and Kim Parker. Interment will follow at the North Lawn Cemetery in Salem with Mark Flett, Logan Flett, Travis Flett, Mike Flett, and Rick Flett serving as pallbearers.

To quote Carol herself, "It is what it is."

# Cemetery Details

## North Lawn Cemetery

Hwy 19 North  
Salem, MO 65560  
(573) 729-3117  
dcjames@fidnet.com  
<https://www.jamesgahrmortuary.com>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 6.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Rolla  
1651 E. Hwy 72  
Rolla, MO 65401  
(573) 458-2262  
jgrolla@hotmail.com  
<https://www.jamesgahrmortuary.com/>

## Service

**AUG 7.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Carolyn Jean Flett*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Carolyn Jean Flett*

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Dear Cousin Howard and Family,  
We were so sorry to hear of Carol's passing and regret not hearing about her funeral arrangements in order to send flowers. Because of Carol's love of all Veterans, Pete and I will be contributing to both Posts that Carol held so close to her heart.... American Legion Post #99 and VFW Post #5608 in St. James. We send our comfort to all of you during this time of sorrow.  
Love from cousins,  
Judy & Pete Johnson*

**Judy Johnson** - August 09, 2018 at 03:10 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



August 07, 2018 at 01:48 PM

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“ Wally & Judy Dawson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Jean Flett



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**Wally & Judy Dawson** - August 07, 2018 at 01:39 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.



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August 06, 2018 at 07:03 PM

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Carol at Boatmen's Bank/Bank of America for a few years in the early '90s. Her smile was contagious to those around her, and she could make anyone laugh because you never knew what would come out of her mouth. She was a true inspiration to me, and I'm sure to others as well.

*I always called her Momma Flett and any time I would see her out and about, many times at Los Arcos during lunch, she would always hug me and ask how I was doing, as well as my family. When we would go our separate ways she would say 'glad you got to see me today, come see me sometime, you know where I live.' What a blessing to have her in my life! She was such a joy to be around.*


*My thoughts and prayers are with Howard, their boys, and grandkids, during this hard time. May God rest his hands on each of them and give them peace and comfort for the days ahead.*

*RIP, my friend.*

*Shelly Morgan*

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**Shelly Morgan** - August 06, 2018 at 05:01 PM

 Craig  
Elsner

“ So sorry to here of your dear Mother passing , Scotty she was a great Mother!

*Craig & Ellen Elsner*

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**Craig Elsner** - August 06, 2018 at 04:10 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



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August 06, 2018 at 01:08 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



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August 06, 2018 at 11:23 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Carol's passing. Prayers to Howard, the boys, the rest of the family and her dear friends. She was a very special lady and someone who will live on through so many peoples memories! She was definitely one of a kind! Fly high sweet lady!! Love you, Sandi, Dylan and Danielle Tapia*

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**Sandi Tapia** - August 06, 2018 at 11:03 AM



“ *Divine Light was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



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August 06, 2018 at 10:50 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



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August 06, 2018 at 10:32 AM



“ *Carol was a special lady. I worked with her at the bank for several years, she was a pleasure to work with. I remember all of the carry in lunches we had, and Carol was normally the main cook. She loved everyone and everyone loved her, she set that example for all of us. Rest in peace Carol, you will be greatly missed by many...*



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**Marsha Roberts** - August 06, 2018 at 09:50 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



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August 06, 2018 at 09:37 AM



“ *David, Leigh, Ashley & Ethan Osborne purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.*



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**David, Leigh, Ashley & Ethan Osborne** - August 06, 2018 at 09:03 AM

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“ I met Carol about 3 years ago through her friend, Jerri Passe, in St. Louis, Mo. I fell in love with her loving spirit right away. She was truly and wonderful person. I am going to miss her visits to St. Louis. May her spirit Rest in Peace. May God be with her Entire Family.



Rhonda Cammann - August 06, 2018 at 03:08 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.



August 06, 2018 at 01:16 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Carolyn Jean Flett.



August 06, 2018 at 01:02 AM

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“ RIP Carol

Scott Olds - August 05, 2018 at 01:43 PM