



Carol Cravens Whitten

August 25, 1949 - July 26, 2025

Carol Cravens Whitten passed away peacefully on Saturday, July 26, 2025, at the age of 75 at North Hills Life Care in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

She was the only daughter of Austin Cravens and Helen Jones Cravens. Carol grew up in Springdale, Arkansas, and graduated from Springdale High School in 1967. Carol was a member of the band and loved writing and reading poetry—a passion she continued throughout her life.

Carol married Bill Preece while attending the University of Arkansas, where she earned a degree in Bachelor of Science in Education in 1971. She later lived in Fort Smith and worked for the State of Arkansas Social Services department. Carol then married Larry Whitten, and the couple continued to make their home in Fort Smith.

After his death, Carol moved back to Springdale and spent the last twenty years of her life as an active resident of North Hills Life Care.

After being diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, Carol became involved in the local MS Society, offering support and advocacy for others facing similar challenges. She was a lifelong fan of the Arkansas Razorbacks and the Green Bay Packers. For many years, Carol was known as the “Scanner Lady” and enjoyed keeping the local news team at Channel 40/29 notified of breaking

police activity.

Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Bluff Cemetery in Springdale, Arkansas.

Cemetery Details

Bluff Cemetery

795 N. Shiloh Street
Springdale, AR 72764

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel
705 W Meadow Ave
Springdale, AR 72764

Tribute Wall



“ I spent many years taking care of Carol’s nails and becoming very close to her. I finally had to give it up when I broke my shoulder in ‘24. We shared a lot of laughs and tears throughout all the years. I told her mom I would always make her nails look pretty.. loved her..

Candy Ahrents - May 06 at 04:58 AM

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“ Carol was always a joy to be around. She could take over a room and make everyone laugh. I feel lucky I got to know her and be around her as often as I could. She was blessed to have such a caring family that made her feel so loved in those last years of her life. RIP Carol. XOXO

Emily Harrison - July 29, 2025 at 03:24 PM

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“ Lou Phillips planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Cravens Whitten.

Lou Phillips - July 28, 2025 at 11:29 PM

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“ Lou Phillips purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carol Cravens Whitten.



Lou Phillips - July 28, 2025 at 11:29 PM

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“ *Knew Carol since we were in elementary school (even though we didn't attend the same school)...Our parents were friends and our Mothers worked at the same department store.*

I used to bake cookies for her and took them to her at the nursing home.

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Strawser - July 28, 2025 at 02:46 PM