



Freda O. Platt

May 30, 1935 - April 24, 2026

Surrounded by her children and grandchildren, Freda Platt passed away peacefully on Friday, April 24, 2026. She was laid to rest in the family cemetery near her home on Saturday, April 25, 2026. Freda was born in Superior, Arizona on May 30, 1935 to O.T. Weddel and Pauline Crocker. Soon after, she and her mother moved back to Shamrock, Texas. Pauline later marrying, Leland Pharris, who raised Freda as his own.

Freda was the oldest of three children; with two younger brothers, James McGaha and John Conser. Freda spent most of her childhood years in Borger, Texas, which is where she met her loving husband. They eloped to New Mexico on May 5, 1954. Joe and Freda lived in many places over their sixty seven years of marriage; starting in Borger, TX, then Albuquerque, NM, and several areas in southern California. In 1973, they moved back to Amarillo, had another stint in California, then back to Amarillo, before finally settling in Tyler, Texas for their retirement years.

When her children were younger, Freda was very active, volunteering for Cub Scouts, Little League, PTA, or Camp Fire Girls. She was an avid reader and enjoyed playing bingo or going to the casino. Freda earned her real estate license in 1996. Described by her family as a pioneer, she also mastered photo retouching, cake decorating, glass blowing, and jewelry making. She influenced others with her pursuits, passing along her skills of healthy living,

gardening, sewing, or painting.

Freda was preceded in death by her parents, brothers, husband, one daughter, Sandra Annette; and one son, Vernon Steven. She is survived by her children: Randy Platt and his wife, Martha of Tyler, TX; Carol Staton and her husband, Tim of Bristow, OK; Laura Lancaster and her husband, Randy of Tyler, TX; and Phillip Platt and his wife, Cindy of Amarillo, TX. Freda also leaves behind twenty-six grandchildren, fifty great grandchildren, and nine great great grandchildren. She was loved by so many and will be greatly missed!