



Carlee Rhae Busby

November 6, 2001 - January 19, 2026

Carlee Rhae Busby passed away January 19, 2026, at the age of 24. She was born on November 6, 2001 in Bay City, Texas to Johnny Carl Busby and Valerie Craig Busby. Carlee never met a stranger, loved to help others, and was fiercely protective of those she loved. She enjoyed shopping at HEB and Walmart, and made numerous friends in the community from those daily shopping trips. From a young age, she found joy in the kitchen, where her love for cooking and baking first took shape. What began as simple recipes grew into a heartfelt passion, especially for baking cakes that became a part of family gatherings and celebrations.

Carlee was a loving daughter, granddaughter, niece, and cousin whose heart was devoted to her family. Caring for those she loved, especially her grandmother, brought her great joy. Her compassion, selflessness, and quiet strength were evident in the way she always put family first.

She is survived by her loving parents; grandmother, Gayle Craig, Aunt Kay Lynn Culp, and aunts Jo Ann Demmick (Michael) and Judy Busby; Cousin Tabitha Head, who shared a bond with her more like that of sisters.

Carlee is preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, Dobie Craig; paternal grandparents, Johnny Mack and Connie Busby; great-grandparents, James and Frances Gertrude (Gertie) Craig and Edward and Florence Brinkman; uncle, Charlie Culp, great-aunt, Karen Rasmussen; great uncles,

Bobby Craig, Wayne Barry, Frank (Buck) Baker, Delcer King, and Wayne (Buddy) Brinkman.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 28, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at First Christian Church of El Campo. The funeral service will follow at 2:00 p.m. on the same day at the church. Following the service, burial will take place at Garden of Memories Cemetery in El Campo. Serving as her pallbearers are Kerry King, Kevin King, Kyle King, Jacob King, Russell Rasmussen, Bryan Rasmussen, Jeff Rasmussen, Dylon Perrens, Connor Perrens, Gene Castellano, and Zak Khan.

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories

US Business 59 and CR 358
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Family Will Receive Visitors

JAN 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church
205 W. West St.
El Campo, TX 77437

Funeral Service

JAN 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church
205 W. West St.
El Campo, TX 77437

Graveside Service

JAN 28 (CT)

Garden of Memories
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Tribute Wall

KS

“ *Kelly D. Staff lit a candle in memory of Carlee Rhae Busby*



Kelly D. Staff - January 28 at 03:55 PM

RP

“ *Reba Padron lit a candle in memory of Carlee Rhae Busby*



Reba Padron - January 28 at 03:12 PM

RC

“ *Rachel, Raymond, Dylon and Connor purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carlee Rhae Busby.*



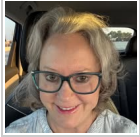
Rachel, Raymond, Dylon and Connor - January 28 at 09:36 AM

LK

“ *Love, Tammy, Klay, Kenna and Kara purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Carlee Rhae Busby.*



Love, Tammy, Klay, Kenna and Kara - January 27 at 11:24 PM



“ I loved following Carlee on Facebook. What a sweet and gentle soul. I loved her posts about baking, beautiful Christmas posts, and hanging out with her family and friends, especially with her grandmother. I know how much her family loves her and the world is now a sadder place without her.



Kathy Williams Hall - January 27 at 09:13 PM

DO

“ David and Kaylyn Otradovsky purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Carlee Rhae Busby.



David and Kaylyn Otradovsky - January 27 at 07:41 PM

DT

“ Debbie & Ernie Tarof planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carlee Rhae Busby.

Debbie & Ernie Tarof - January 26 at 12:12 PM

DT

“ Debbie & Ernie Tarof purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Carlee Rhae Busby.



Debbie & Ernie Tarof - January 26 at 12:12 PM

TS

“ I met Carlee less than a year ago. I was immediately struck by her genuine kind soul and a smile that could brighten anyone's day. After our first conversation, I realized I knew most of her sweet family. I felt an immediate connection with Carlee. She was a very special person and she made this world a better place for anyone who had the chance to meet her. My heart breaks for all of her family. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Teresa Shimek - January 25 at 01:56 PM

MB

“ Carlee will be missed by all who knew her and loved her so much. She was a delight wherever she went. She always greeted anyone she met with a big hug when she was out and about shopping or cruising town. My heart is crushed until we are united together again. Many souls gone before were ready to welcome Carlee to the wonders of the beauty of Heaven, Carlee, I love you and will miss you dearly until we meet again. Aunt Toodie

Maureen Brady - January 23 at 03:30 PM

VQ

“ My thoughts & prayers are with you all that God will Comfort you in your loss! God bless your family & friends! RIP Carlee ☐! She will be dearly missed by everyone who knew & loved her! Vicky Blair Ustynik Quijas



Vicky Quijas - January 23 at 10:44 AM

VQ

“ Vicky Quijas lit a candle in memory of Carlee Rhae Busby



Vicky Quijas - January 23 at 10:40 AM

GC

“ Geraldine Gerri Chandler lit a candle in memory of Carlee Rhae Busby



Geraldine gerri Chandler - January 23 at 10:39 AM

JR

“ Valerie & family, I am so sorry to hear this sad news. Carlee was such a beautiful sweet young lady. I know you will all miss her terribly. My heart breaks for you. Sending my love & prayers.
Judy Merta Rohan



Judy Rohan - January 23 at 09:53 AM

OO

“ Olatunji O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carlee Rhae Busby.

Olatunji O. - January 23 at 08:17 AM

OO

“ Olatunji O. purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Carlee Rhae Busby.



Olatunji O. - January 23 at 08:17 AM

JR

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to Carly's family. She was a very special young lady that could light up any room. She will be missed by everyone who ever met her. Praying for peace, comfort and strength for her family.

Janie Roehl - January 22 at 04:27 PM

KN

“ Kathy Noack purchased the *Be My Love Bouquet* with Red Roses for the family of Carlee Rhae Busby.



Kathy Noack - January 22 at 03:38 PM