



Linda Kay Clayton Collins

February 2, 1948 - May 7, 2026

Linda Kay Clayton Collins went to see Jesus on May 7, 2026 at the age of 78.

She was born on February 2, 1948, in El Campo to Jesse E. Clayton and Lorraine Marie Clayton.

Linda was a loving, caring, generous and trusting person. Family was most important to her. She was a faithful member of the First Methodist Church of El Campo, and her friends were dear to her heart always. She loved working with Manna Meals helping others that couldn't help themselves.

She worked for Troy Lively & Associates for many years before retiring. She loved helping people and putting a smile on everyone's face.

Linda is survived by her husband of 58 years, John Collins; son, Craig Collins and wife Dee J; grandson, Tyler Collins and wife Carsyn; granddaughter, Cheyenne Dominguez and husband Mark Dominguez; great-grandson, Hudson Dominguez; bonus grandchildren, TJ Proctor, Daniel Proctor and Victoria Laughlin and Riley Meyen.

She is preceded in death by her parents, JE Clayton and Lorraine Clayton and cousin Ivan Olson who all were held deeply in her heart.

Visitation will be from 4-6 p.m. on Monday, May 11 at Triska Funeral Home.

Funeral services will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 12 at First Methodist Church in El Campo. The service will be livestreamed at firstmethodistec.org. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Tyler Collins, Mark Dominguez, Brian Olson, Daniel Proctor, TJ Proctor and Mike Smaistrila. Honorary pallbearers will be Hudson Dominguez.

Memorial donations may be made to First Methodist Church of El Campo or Scotty's House in Bryan, TX.

Linda's Message:

"I believe my parents and grandparents are the ones who taught me to love one another. They showed their love in many and all ways. Thank you for that. To my friends and family please learn to love and forgive one another."

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Park

4609 State Hwy 71
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
(979) 543-3681
triskafh@sbcglobal.net

Funeral Service

MAY 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Methodist Church
1001 Avenue I
El Campo, TX 77437

Tribute Wall

LM

“ *Lu Matzke lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins*



Lu Matzke - May 12 at 09:02 AM

CR

“ *Cindy Riha lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins*



Cindy Riha - May 11 at 10:16 PM

TF

“ *We thank God for blessing our family with Linda! She was the bright star of our family and worked tirelessly to connect everyone to each other! We will miss her smile and her kindness! We know that she is in Heaven with her mom and dad, Lorraine and JE, and they are happy to be together! Please know that our family will always love Linda! God's blessings to you, John, Craig, and family!*

*Love,
The Richard Halling Family*

The Richard Halling Family - May 11 at 06:39 PM

LK

“ Linda Kram lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins



Linda Kram - May 11 at 03:56 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Linda Kay Clayton Collins.



May 11 at 02:43 PM

JR

“ Craig & family, your Mom was such a kindhearted sweet lady. I know she was so proud of you & she loved you all very much. I feel very blessed that I was able to meet her. You all are in my thoughts & prayers 🙏❤️
Judy (Merta) Rohan



Judy Rohan - May 10 at 10:37 PM

YL

“ Your friends at LMC purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Linda Kay Clayton Collins.



Your friends at LMC - May 09 at 11:04 PM

LE

“ *She was the sweetest woman I knew. I remember when I was baptized, she was so happy and hugged me and told me how happy she was. Beautiful lady*



Leslie Enloe - May 09 at 04:08 PM

LM

“ *Our deepest sympathy.
Linda and John Merck*

Linda Merck - May 09 at 10:20 AM

TH

“ *Linda was not only my cousin, but one of my dear best friends which I can count on one hand. She loved and supported me through thick and thin. She truly enriched my life. Her parents, my aunt and uncle JE and Lorraine were among the most remarkable people I've ever known, like Linda, they never spoke ill of others. Disappointed sometimes in decision made, but never hateful always forgiving . She never thought highly of herself, instead showed great humility. Lessons i personally need to improve on. I will always cherish her in my heart along with our many conversations. I love her family and they are very close in my thoughts and prayers. May we all strive to live by her and her parents example. I will miss her greatly! Tonda*

Tonda Hatfield - May 08 at 09:17 PM

DC

“ *Diane Cerny lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins*



diane cerny - May 08 at 08:39 PM

EC

“ *Elaine Mach Cook lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins*



Elaine Mach Cook - May 08 at 05:41 PM

AM

“ *My condolences to the family at this difficult time.*



Andrea McCann - May 08 at 05:34 PM

AH

“ *Alan & Karen Harton purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Linda Kay Clayton Collins.*



Alan & Karen Harton - May 08 at 05:02 PM

VF

“ Vortech Contracting Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Linda Kay Clayton Collins.



Vortech Contracting Family - May 08 at 04:41 PM

BC

“ Linda and I were friends for more than 65 years and worked together for 36 years. She was like a Sister to me. I will miss our time together but we will be together one day. God Bless John, Craig and family with Peace and Comfort.

Becky Chomout - May 08 at 03:55 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Kay Clayton Collins.



May 08 at 03:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda Kay Clayton Collins.

May 08 at 03:55 PM

CB

“ *Charlene Kulcak Borak lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins*



Charlene Kulcak Borak - May 08 at 03:39 PM

CF

“ *Linda leaves quite a legacy for our family. She hosted many Olson-Halling reunions, and she compiled a detailed family genealogy. She was quick to share photographs and memories! She will definitely be missed. Our love and sympathy to John, her children, grandchildren, and cousins. Cathy and Richard Fothergill*

Cathy R Fothergill - May 08 at 02:10 PM

LS

“ *Liz Staff lit a candle in memory of Linda Kay Clayton Collins*



Liz Staff - May 08 at 01:59 PM

IR

I am so sorry to hear about Linda's passing. She and I went to school together and I remember her kindness. May she rest in God's eternal peace and our condolences to John and her entire family. Blessings

Irma Rocha - May 08 at 04:46 PM