

Johna Williams

June 8, 1936 – April 6, 2026

Johna Breckenridge Williams, 89, was born to John and Olive Breckenridge on June 8, 1936, in Cushing, OK, and passed away on April 6, 2026. She and her family spent most of Johna's early years in Durant, OK, but moved to Oklahoma City her senior year of high school. She attended Southeastern University and graduated from Oklahoma State University with a degree in business education. Following her graduation, she moved to Las Cruces, NM, to be near her sister Louemma Brookey. It was here that she earned a master's degree from New Mexico State University. It was also here she met her future husband, Ervin Williams; they were married 39 years and were the parents of three children, a son and twin daughters. In 1969, they moved to Stillwater where she was active in the Highland Park United Methodist Church. OSU sports were a favorite pastime. Johna worked as a high school teacher in New Mexico and as a library assistant at Stillwater Junior High School. She is survived by her son, Gerald Williams and his wife, Shellie of Glendale, AZ; daughter Marilyn Crynes and husband Stephen of Murphy, TX; daughter Carolyn Magee and husband David of Allen, TX, as well as by several grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, two sisters, as well as by a nephew and a niece.