



Mary Jo McCarter Barlow

August 20, 1945 - April 14, 2026

Our beloved mother, Mary Jo Barlow, was born on August 20, 1945, in Corsicana, Texas, to C.H. “Knocker” and Frances McCarter of Kerens, Texas. On April 14, 2026, we lost our cherished mother at Navarro Regional Hospital.

Mary Jo was known for her purple robe and her rocking chair, where she spent many peaceful hours. She had a deep love for country music and enjoyed traveling to concerts to see her favorite artists. She loved to scoot a boot, stay up late watching Westerns such as Gunsmoke, and enjoyed any movie featuring Wyatt Earp. A romance novel could often be found on her bedside table, ready to be read beside her rocking chair.

Mary Jo was a loyal fan of the Dallas Cowboys and would not let anyone speak badly about her team. She also had a passion for gardening, especially tending to her flower beds filled with her favorite pink roses she enjoyed her employment of at Corsicana ISD

Mary Jo shared 33 wonderful years of marriage with her beloved husband, Cortiss Barlow, who was the love of her life. Together they raised five children: Karen, David, Rusty, Mandy, and Lisa.

She was preceded in death by her parents, C.H. and Frances McCarter; her husband, Cortiss Barlow; her sons, David Barlow and Rusty Barlow; and her

son-in-law, Gary Robertson.

Mary Jo is survived by her loving daughters: Karen Robertson of Quinlan, Texas; Mandy Robinson and her husband Derek of Purdon, Texas; and Lisa Wiese and her husband Richard of Angus, Texas. She was blessed with 14 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren who brought her great joy.

She is also survived by her siblings: her brother, Robert McCarter; and her sisters, Barbara, Donna, and Judy; along with numerous nieces and nephews who will cherish her memory.

Mary Jo will be remembered for her love of family, her strong spirit, her devotion to her favorite pastimes, and the warmth she brought to everyone who knew her. Her memory will live on in the hearts of those who loved her.

Graveside services will be held at Oakwood Cemetery 700 N 15 th st. Corsicana, Texas 75110 on Monday, April 20, 2026 at 2:00pm with Pastor Richard Wiese officiating.

Visitation will be held at Griffin Roughton Funeral Home from 5-7 pm on Sunday, April 19 th, 2026.

Pallbearers are Derek Robinson, Russell Barlow, Riggie Beamon, Kaleb Wiese, William Wiese and Preston Barlow

Honorary pallbearers are Randy Barlow, Rowdy Barlow, John Ball, and Justin Grant.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

900 North 19Th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana
1530 N. 45th Street
Corsicana, TX 75110
(903) 874-4774
info@griffin-roughton.com

Graveside Funeral Service

APR **20**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Janice Spinks, Virgie and Aaron Marsh purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mary Jo McCarter Barlow.* ”



Janice Spinks, Virgie and Aaron Marsh - April 18 at 02:05 PM

NE

“ *Navarro ER purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Mary Jo McCarter Barlow.* ”



Navarro ER - April 17 at 05:32 PM

TR

“ *I knew Mary Jo and her family for many years had many of talks with her. May GOD be with her family. And may she fly free with GOD and her loved ones in heaven.* ”



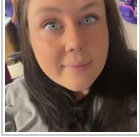
Tim Roop - April 15 at 09:54 PM

GD

“ *So sorry for your family's loss. Prayers for you all.* ”



Gary and Robbie Derden - April 15 at 09:04 PM



“ *I'll forever miss my grandma and I'll forever be a nanny's baby*



Sara Robertson - April 15 at 07:37 PM

RJ

“ *Robert, Barbara, Donna and Judy purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mary Jo McCarter Barlow.*



Robert, Barbara, Donna and Judy - April 15 at 06:08 PM

RJ

“ *Robert, Barbara, Donna and Judy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Jo Barlow.*

Robert, Barbara, Donna and Judy - April 15 at 06:08 PM