



## Leta Jo Cox

January 21, 1943 - May 7, 2014

Leta Jo Cox, age 71, from Visalia, California passed away on May 7th 2014. Leta was born January 21, 1943 in Leslie Arkansas to Joseph William Carpenter and Elsie Lee Massey Carpenter. She graduated From Mt. Whitney high school in 1961.

On March 24, 1961 Leta married Carter Lee Cox in Visalia, California.

Together they had three daughters, Laurie Ann, Cheryl Jeniene and Anessa Dawn. During their 53 years of marriage Carter and Leta sang and performed in their own band, they enjoyed traveling in their RV and spending time with their friends and family. Leta enjoyed cooking and when you went to visit she made sure you never left the house hungry. Leta was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister. She was loved by those who knew her and she will be forever in our hearts.

Leta was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Elsie Carpenter and her daughter, Laurie Ann.

In addition to her loving and devoted husband Carter, Leta is survived by her children Cheryl Russell and husband Eric of St. Paul, Oregon and Anessa Chilton of Albany, Oregon. She is also survived by her grandchildren Erica Russell and fiancé Mathew McKillip, Katie Baker and husband Tyler, Hannah Chilton and Emily Chilton, great grandchildren Evan Russell, Michael Russell, Jacob McKillip, Gage Baker and Reagan Baker, sister Patricia Hampl of Tangent, Oregon and Nephews Joe Hampl, Patrick Hampl and Randall Hampl.

A viewing will be held on Wednesday, May 14, at Salser and Dillard funeral chapel in Visalia between 4 and 7 pm. Services will take place on Thursday, May 15, at 9 am at Salser and Dillard with graveside services to follow.

# Cemetery Details

## Visalia Public Cemetery

1300 W. Goshen Ave.  
Visalia, CA 93291  
visaliacemetery@aol.com  
<http://www.visaliacem.org/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 14.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Funeral Chapel  
127 E. Caldwell Ave  
Visalia, CA 93277  
(559) 635-1144  
[info@salseranddillard.com](mailto:info@salseranddillard.com)  
<https://www.salseranddillard.com>

## Service

**MAY 15.** 9:00 AM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Carter Lee, Cheryl & Anessa, My love and prayers are with the family. What a singing voice. Heaven's choir is sounding better today.

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**bruce cox** - May 15, 2014 at 08:15 AM

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“ Dear Anessa, I am so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. The last time we saw your dad and mom, they were moving up to Oregon to live near you. It has been a long time since we have seen each other or talked. I would love for you to contact me. My phone number is 559-741-0544. I know this is a difficult time for you and your family and my prayers and thoughts are with all of you. I wish I could be at the funeral tomorrow, but I have been very sick. I have Stage 6 kidney disease and I am on dialysis. I do need a kidney transplant and I am on the list. So much has happened since I have spoken to you. You will be in my prayers and I hope when you are up to it, give me a call. Take Care and please give our sympathy to your family. Love, Chuck and Marsha Thomas

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**Marsha Thomas** - May 14, 2014 at 05:19 PM

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“ Carter, Cheryl & Anessa, Love & Prayers to all the family at this most difficult time. Leta was a wonderful, caring person. i will always remember times shared. Betty Watson

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**Betty Watson** - May 13, 2014 at 05:00 PM

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“ *Our prayer's to the Cox family, she was a sweet lady. My husband and I worked at Josten's and got to know her there. May she rest in "Peace". Sympathies... Danny and Nancy Crawford*

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**Nancy Crawford** - May 13, 2014 at 12:41 PM