



## Yolanda S Helmert

February 4, 1946 - June 15, 2025

Yolanda S Helmert, age 79, of Ozark, Arkansas, passed away Sunday, June 15, 2025 in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She was born February 4, 1946 in Williams, Arizona to Jesus Larez and Delia Sanchez. Yolanda was of the Baptist faith and a member of the First Baptist Church in Ozark. She was a gear inspector for Cloyes Gear. A member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Altus, Arkansas. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In her spare time, she enjoyed dancing, yard work, and riding motorcycles.

Yolanda is preceded in death by her parents; her first husband of 48 years, Jim Rogers; one grandson, Darrell Rogers; two brothers, Ronaldo Larez and Antonio Larez; and two sisters, Eleanor Sanchez and Julia Orosa.

Yolanda is survived by her husband of five years, Kenneth Helmert; one son, Jim Rogers and wife Eudora of Bristol, Oklahoma; two daughters, Michele Harris and husband Dow of Denning, Arkansas and Teresa Williams and husband Steve of Van Buren, Arkansas; one brother, Jesus Larez of California; three sisters, Anna Kimes and husband Ray of California, Lydia Boneau and husband Don of California, and Malinda Turchan and husband Mike of California; nine grandchildren; seventeen great grandchildren; and eight great-great grandchildren.

Visitation will be 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 18, 2025 at Shaffer Funeral Home, 2315 West Commercial Street in Ozark.

Funeral service will be 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, June 18, 2025 following the visitation at Shaffer Funeral Home in Ozark, with Brother Ben Lairamore officiating, with burial at Cemetery Ridge Cemetery, Heritage Road Ozark.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jeff Smith, Byron Knox, James Rogers, Dwayne Helmert, Anthony Leding, and Alex Williams. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Yolanda's grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandchild.

To leave an online memorial visit [www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com](http://www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Cemetery Ridge Cemetery

Heritage Road  
Ozark, AR 72949

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 18.** 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home  
2315 West Commercial Street  
PO Box 680  
Ozark, AR 72949  
(479) 667-4147  
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

*Funeral service will follow directly after visitation.*

## Funeral Service

**JUN 18.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Burial

JUN 18 (CT)

Cemetery Ridge Cemetery  
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# Tribute Wall



“ So sorry to hear. I've known Yolanda for years. Always had a smile on her face when you saw her. She will be missed. Prayers to you Michelle. You and your mom were two peas in a pod ☐ 

Stormi Adams - July 11, 2025 at 10:35 AM

SW

“ So very sorry for your loss 🙏

sonja wickens - July 03, 2025 at 11:08 AM

BV

“ 1 file added to the album Slideshow



Byron Lasater V - June 25, 2025 at 02:41 PM

AM

“ Annie Coleen Mohr sent a virtual gift in memory of Yolanda Helmert



Annie Coleen Mohr - June 21, 2025 at 12:27 AM

DC

“ *Diane Campbell lit a candle in memory of Yolanda Helmert*



Diane Campbell - June 19, 2025 at 10:50 AM

TP

“ *Cousin, you will always be in the heart and soul of our family. Biscuit, you came into our life's when you first fell in love with Jim, you told me uncle John & auntie Terry (short for Teresa) were two of your favorite people at eight I asked am I your favorite cousin... she gave me a great big beautiful smile and a hug and said I love all my cousins Later on in life when we were teenagers and your children were small you came into your life's again for a short period but made a lasting impression. As a teenager I could tell you anything and you always gave me good advice to follow. I will surely miss you cuz. Auntie Terry once called you the salt of the earth and it is true you always pointed out the positives. I know your three brothers Jesse, Tony and Ronnie, and three sisters loved you very much. The Pangelina \Sanchez family will Love you for time and all eternity see you in heaven, May God Bless you and yours*

*Cuz*

*Teresa Lei "Lani" Pangelina*

*🙏 Amen 🕊*

Teresa Lei Lani Pangelina - June 19, 2025 at 12:34 AM

TI

“ Tina lit a candle in memory of Yolanda Helmert



Tina - June 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM

KH

“ KD & Celest Helmert planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Yolanda S Helmert.

KD & Celest Helmert - June 18, 2025 at 07:51 AM

KH

“ KD & Celest Helmert purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Yolanda S Helmert.



KD & Celest Helmert - June 18, 2025 at 07:51 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Yolanda S Helmert.



June 17, 2025 at 06:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Yolanda S Helmert.



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June 17, 2025 at 01:58 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Yolanda S Helmert.

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June 17, 2025 at 12:53 PM