



Manya A Maples

September 4, 1954 - November 8, 2025

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Age 71

Joplin, Missouri

Manya Maples, 71, passed away on November 8, 2025, in Joplin, Missouri. Born on September 4, 1954, in Webb City, Missouri, Manya lived a life defined by resilience, creativity, and a deep devotion to the pursuits and values she held dear.

After completing high school, Manya followed her passion for beauty and personal care by attending cosmetology school. Her entrepreneurial spirit later led her to become the owner of the Eagles establishment in West Mineral. There, she created a welcoming space that served as a gathering place for her community. Always open to new experiences and challenges, Manya also spent time driving a semi truck—an endeavor that reflected both her adventurous nature and strong work ethic.

Manya found joy in life's simple pleasures. She had a special love for crocheting and fishing—activities that brought her peace and fulfillment. Her home was filled with warmth and affection, especially from her cherished pups and kitties who were constant companions and held a special place in her heart.

A woman of faith, Manya was a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Her spiritual commitment was a steady source of

strength throughout her life.

Manya had been ill for quite some time. She was preceded in death by her mother, Betty Maples, her companion, Corkey Guyman, a nephew, Chris Gailey and a stepsister, LaDawn Waites.

She is survived by her father, Carl Maples and stepmother, Carol Maples, two sisters, Sonya Hamblin (Bob) of Gallatin, TN and Tammy Gailey (Shan) of Ochelata, OK. Three nieces and 2 nephews and 1 step-nephew, and multiple great nieces and nephews.

A Memorial Gathering will be held on November 28, 2025, starting 10:00 AM at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1507 South Rouse Ave, Pittsburg, KS

In honor of Manya's love for animals, donations may be made in her memory to the SPCA in Pittsburg, Kansas.

May her memory bring comfort to those who knew her.