



## Sandra Marie Carson

February 5, 1948 - February 23, 2026

Sandra Marie Cornell Carson, known to friends and family as Sandy, passed away peacefully on February 23, 2026, in Fort Collins, Colorado. She was 78 years old. Surrounded by her husband and children at her bedside, she departed this life following complications due to dementia.

Born on February 5, 1948, in Maryville, Missouri, to Charles Wesley Cornell Jr. and Marcia Jean Martin, and growing up in Bedford, Iowa, Sandy cultivated a life defined by devotion to family and a love for the arts and sports. After spending her senior year of high school in Lincoln, Nebraska, she moved to Lawrence, Kansas, a city that would hold great significance in her life story. It was there that she attended the University of Kansas, earning a Master's degree in Music Education, and where she met her life-long husband and father of her children, David Eugene Carson.

Though she held a graduate degree and was actively pursuing a doctorate in music education at KU, after her move to Fort Collins Colorado in the summer of 1989, Sandy chose to devote herself wholeheartedly to the role she cherished most, that of mother. Sandy created a warm and supportive home. She was a steadfast partner to David, frequently entertaining his customers and supporting his career with grace. However, her proudest accomplishment was raising her three sons: Kyle, Corey, and Robert. She was a strong, constant presence in their lives, rarely missing a sporting or arts event during

their childhoods and encouraging them to live full, meaningful lives as adults.

Sandy was a woman of diverse talents and intellect. A dedicated musician, her goal was to become proficient in every instrument she touched, as opposed to mastering one. She spent her spare time dedicated to her love for playing Bridge and her passion for genealogy, through which she meticulously chronicled her family's history.

Sandy is survived by her devoted husband, David Eugene Carson; her three sons, Kyle David Carson, Corey Michael Carson, and Robert Cornell Carson; and her beloved grandchildren, River Laughery Carson, Autumn Kai Carson, Weston Henry Carson, Meadow Rayne Carson, and Christine Lynn Carson. She is also survived by her sister, Krisha Laura Hunnicutt, and her husband, Gary. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Marcia Cornell.

#### Service Information:

A visitation will be held on Thursday, March 5, 2026, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Bohlender Funeral Chapel, 121 W Olive St, Fort Collins. The funeral service will take place the following morning, Friday, March 6, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at Bohlender Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow at Grandview Cemetery.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 5. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel  
121 W. Olive Street  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

## Funeral Service

MAR 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel  
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Fort Collins, CO 80524

# Tribute Wall

NW

“ I first met Sandy in junior high. She sat behind me in sophomore English. We crossed paths a few times in Lawrence, Kansas, once in the hospital when we are both giving birth. But my dearest memories of her are from the last decade or so when she and Dave hosted me once in Wyoming and twice in Fort Collins when I was driving cross country solo.

*It was during those few days' visits that Sandy and I discovered we had a common Parker family relative, and we started collaborating to figure out our kinship. Sometimes into the wee hours amidst with good laughter and chatter. I treasure that time together and am thankful Facebook let us keep in touch. But I was so looking forward to seeing Cuz Sandy IRL some time soon.*

*Her passing saddens me greatly, and I am holding her memory and all of her family in my thoughts and in my heart. May your support of one another and your fond memories of Sandy bring you comfort. Here are a couple of mine: Sandy being tourist-y in her own "back yard," Vedauwoo camping area. And truly in her Fort Collins back yard playing Mama Canada Goose to an injured Du-weet.*



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**Norma Parker Wilson** - March 08 at 05:22 PM

MW

“ Dave  
We are so sorry to hear of your family's loss.  
We will keep you in our prayers.

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**Mike and Linda Walz** - March 01 at 11:43 AM

MS

“ I'm sad to hear that Sandy has passed on. She was always a fun parent to be with on the sidelines of our kids' games and school events. Mary Lib Sovick

Mary Lib Sovick - February 26 at 06:40 PM

SM

“ So sorry to hear of Sandy's passing. Hope your fond memories are cherished at this sad time.  
Steve Martin. Cousin from Iowa.

Steve Martin - February 26 at 11:32 AM

LG

“ Lori Grimaldo lit a candle in memory of Sandra Marie Carson



Lori Grimaldo - February 25 at 08:32 PM

LG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers for the family.  
Lori Grimaldo

Lori Grimaldo - February 25 at 08:31 PM

DE

“ So sorry to hear about Sandy's passing. I worked at CBW for several years and got to know her. RIP  
Debbie Younkin

Debbie - February 25 at 04:04 PM