

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 59

In Memory  
of  
Carolyn Kerns

**WHEREAS**, Family and friends will forever cherish their memories of Carolyn Doss Kerns of Gladewater, who passed away on August 19, 2023, at the age of 88; and

**WHEREAS**, Born in November 1934, the former Carolyn Doss was one of 10 children born to Leonard and Ludie Doss; she grew up in the East Texas area and graduated from Kilgore High School in 1953; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Kerns married Kenneth W. Kerns in 1955, and the couple shared a rewarding marriage until his passing in 1991; she was the proud mother of three children, Kevan, Karen, and Kenna, and with the passing years, she had the privilege of seeing her family grow to include five grandchildren, Rachel, Rebeka, Lucas, John, and Reid, and two great-grandchildren, Everett and Leo; and

**WHEREAS**, A woman of faith, Mrs. Kerns was a longtime congregant of First United Methodist Church; she was an active member of the Creative Christians group and particularly enjoyed making Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls; in addition to being a skilled seamstress, she was a talented cook, and over the years, her homemade brownies brought joy to many; and

**WHEREAS**, Although Carolyn Kerns will be deeply missed, those who held her dear will forever remember the warmth and kindness she brought into their lives; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 88th Legislature, 4th Called Session, hereby pay tribute to the memory of Carolyn Doss Kerns and extend sincere condolences to the members

of her family: to her children, Kevan Kerns and his wife, Terry, Karen Carson and her husband, Richard, and Kenna Cook and her husband, Larry; to her grandchildren, Rachel Haynes and her husband, Kevin, Rebeka Eaton and her husband, Jared, Lucas Cook and his wife, Courtney, John Robert Carson and his wife, Jordan, and Reid Carson; to her great-grandchildren, Everett Haynes and Leo Cook; and to her other relatives and friends; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That an official copy of this Resolution be prepared for her family and that when the Texas Senate adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Carolyn Kerns.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on November 30, 2023, by a rising vote.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate