



## Melba Turley

February 8, 1941 - April 3, 2026

Melba Joyce Turley, known as Joyce, of Red Bluff, CA, passed away on April 3, 2026, at the age of 85.

Joyce was born on February 8, 1941, to Evie Elizabeth (Mason) and John David Beasley

in Nashville, Tennessee. She had one younger brother, David Hartison. After the family

moved to Riverside, CA, Joyce pursued interests in music, participating in musicals and

vocal performances, and then attended Pepperdine University. She married Carleton

Troy Turley on March 9, 1963, and they had two children.

She continued performing in music while also becoming a valued employee of Spreckels Sugar for many years. After moving to the Red Bluff area in 1980, she

worked for Bell Carter Foods of Corning, retiring in 2009.

Joyce had a lifelong love of art, with strengths in calligraphy, drawing, and tole painting.

After her husband gave her some oil paints, Joyce continued learning and later excelled

in acrylic and watercolor mediums with a particular gift for lifelike, detailed renderings of

photographed scenery. In her 70's, she became an active member of the Red Bluff Art

Association, and was also a dedicated member of the SERRF after-school program.

Joyce was a devoted Christian and member of the Church of Christ her entire life,

attending the Park Ave congregation since moving to the area. She loved serving the

Lord and helping others, and she especially enjoyed being a Sunday School teacher.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her brother.

She is

survived by her son, Carleton Tyrel Turley, and her daughter, Angela Carlene Grohn,

along with two grandsons, Connor Sean-Michael Turley and Donovan Jared Turley. Her

memorial service will be on Saturday, April 18 th at 1 pm at the Park Ave Church of Christ.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Church of Christ  
1605 Park Ave  
Red Bluff , CA 96080

# Tribute Wall



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**Hall Brothers Corning Mortuary** - April 14 at 03:16 PM