



## Carleta "CJ" Mannon

June 24, 1955 - February 26, 2017

Carleta J. (CJ) Mannon left this life on February 26, 2017, after a brief illness. She was born on June 24, 1955 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the daughter of Harold I. and Jean E. Mannon, both now deceased, and sister to Lauren D. Mannon, also deceased. She was a graduate of Sperry High School, the Bryant Institute, and Tulsa Junior College, with a certificate in medical assisting and an Associate's Degree in Psychology. Her most recent position was as Assistant Account Manager at Able Management Solutions in Columbus, Ohio.

She is survived by her partner in life, Kyla Jones. For 30 years, CJ was the spouse, best friend, confidant, the better half of Kyla Jones's soul, fellow animal rescuer, co-jester, cheering section and the axis upon which Kyla's world revolved. Those who dismiss the notion of love at first sight had never seen them together.

CJ's depths of compassion and sympathy, especially for animals, sometimes brought tears to witnesses. A scared and skittish new foster dog, afraid of his own shadow and of everyone else, would go to her, allow her to hold him, to croon at him, and cradle him until he wasn't scared any more. She loved all animals, whether furred, fur-less, scaled or feathered, and loved being a rescuer. She was a proud member of Ohio Pug Rescue, and had served as a rescue transport driver, fundraiser, foster mom and general supporter of all

things rescue.

She is also survived by Aunts Sue Neil and Tommie Mannon, cousins Holly and MaryBeth Neil and Carolyn Mannon and Dennis Mannon. Cremation arrangements are entrusted to Day Funeral Service of Gahanna. A memorial celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Ohio Pug Rescue ([www.ohiopugrescue.com](http://www.ohiopugrescue.com)) or the animal rescue charity of your heart.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Good lord am I late. I loved this woman as a sister and a sibling. We were born on the same day, just a few years apart. We met at the Broken Arrow playhouse, a live theater, where she worked as stage manager for a few shows. I talked to her through the years, often with years between the conversations. It seems to me that I sent her a "happy birthday" on June 24th, 2017... just last year. I missed her by 5 months. There is a hole in my universe where Carleta used to be... but it's filled up with the memory of the Carleta I remember. She was a good 'un. Loved, missed, remembered, rejoiced in. We will meet again, twin Sis. Just don't wait up.  
- Chester Beebe, Tulsa

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**Chester Beebe** - June 26, 2018 at 04:38 PM

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**Kyla Jones** - March 12, 2017 at 12:01 AM

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*The loss of Cj is immeasurable for all who loved her, for all whose lives she touched and for all the animals she and Kyle saved. All those are in pain yet let's all remember that her pain is gone. May we all celebrate her life.*

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**Raine Beamer** - March 12, 2017 at 08:28 AM