



## Emily Louise Word

December 30, 1999 - November 9, 2021

Emily Louise Word, 21, passed away Tuesday, November 9, 2021, due to complications from COVID. A celebration of life will be held for family and friends on Friday, December 10, 2021, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the American Legion, 508 Fourth St., Clovis, CA 93612 (Old Town Clovis).

Born December 30, 1999, to Wendy Word and Derrick Guardiancic, Emily's passion was her love of all animals. At just 9-months of age she rode her first pony. She began riding horses on her seventh birthday and went on to own two of her own, Guinness, the love of her life, and Dakota. Emily participated in Pony Club, numerous riding events, and was a member of FFA 2014 – 2018, Clovis Chapter, earning her American FFA Degree, considered the gold standard and highest degree, which is awarded to high school graduate members who demonstrated leadership, community service and academic success. Emily was a graduate of Clovis East High School. Employed as a personal shopper at Walmart she loved her job and coworkers. She was looking forward to starting Vet Tech School in January.

Emily is preceded in death by her grandfather's David Word and Sergio Guardiancic, great grandmother Billie Jean Walsh and great grandfather William Kish.

She is survived by her brother Preston Word, half-brothers Will Beckham and Travis Garner, her parents Wendy Word and Derrick Guardiancic, grandmothers Carole Word and Sophie Guardiancic, great aunt, Sharon Robison, second cousins, Chandra Stafford and Tracie and John Ross, and first cousins, Aaron Kronyak and Caden and D.j Freeman.

We ask that any remembrances be made in Emily's name in the form of a donation to Heart of the Horse Therapy Ranch, A California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation, 14335 Academy Oaks Lane, Clovis, CA 93619. <https://heartofthehorses.org>

# Events

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**DEC** **Celebration of Life** 03:00PM - 07:00PM

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American Legion

508 Fourth St., Clovis, CA, US, 93612

# Comments

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“ Our family knew Emily and her family through the Clovis FFA program, where she raised lambs together with our daughter, Katie, for over several years. It was great to see how these girls prepared, trained, helped each other out, and then competed together at the Fall Classic and the Fresno Fair over these years. Real fun times, but also lots of hard work! Which reminds me: when I think of Emily, often a seemingly completely unrelated phrase pops into my head: “The hardest working person in show business.” And that’s because I’m pretty sure that she was the hardest working student in the FFA program while we were there. Her love of animals easily translated into caring for them well beyond what would have been required or expected. I don’t know how many times, we would go to the farm, and Emily would be there, either together with Wendy or by herself, happily taking care of something. The world is robbed of a great future vet or vet tech, but the sweet memories prevail. Also, quite possibly, a bunch of animals are a lot happier in heaven today, thanks to Emily.

**Peter Kalocsai** - December 10, 2021 at 05:46 AM

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“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Emily Louise Word.



December 10, 2021 at 03:21 AM

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Em was a really good baby, little girl and turned into a beautiful young woman. As a small child she loved to wear my heels. Wendy and I called them “click-clicks!” She would walk up and down the halls and on the tile flooring in those click clicks! She also loved playing with her horse collections and has them to this day.

Her whole life was fashioned around her animals. At her passing she had two family cats, Shelby and Delilah, three dogs, Molly, Nala and Ava, and two toddler size...yes toddler size rabbits, Mango and Ivy. Emily would sit for hours playing and talking to the rabbits as they required a lot of human touch and attention. She even passed up a family visit to her Gigi (that would be me) so she would not need to leave the rabbits. Emily was working on me to get a rabbit hutch at the coast so they could visit as well. Not!!

When she was at home and just casual Emily would have her beautiful long hair piled up in a big bun on top of her head. I was always taunting her by poking at it and she would yell, “grammie!” I loved it!

I don't know why God chose to take her from us at this time. Our family dynamics are forever changed. Emily's presence is and will be missed each and every day. As a proud grandma I can say I have a lifetime of memories to treasure.

**Carole Word** - December 05, 2021 at 12:53 PM

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When she was at home and just casual Em would have her beautiful hair wadded up in a bun on top of her head. I was always torturing her by poking at it and she would yell, “grammie!” I loved it!

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“ The happiest memory that I have of Emily is at the Fresno Fair, Carole and I went out to watch her show her animals! She was so happy! She was always so sweet and kind and had the most beautiful hair. We love her family soooooomuch and she will be dearly missed. From: Steve and Sherry Nunes and family



**Sherry Nunes** - November 30, 2021 at 02:24 PM

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“ Each time I saw Em, we would always talk about the animals in the park or her animals at home. Her bro Preston was rabbit sitting while she was visiting the coast the last time I saw Em. She shared with me that she was trying to convince her grandma to purchase a rabbit hutch if so, Em would visit more often! I told Em that I would work on her grandma and make sure her rabbits would have a place to visit the coast. We both laughed at the thought. Oh, how I loved to get a chuckle out of Em. I had asked Em how she was doing, and she shared her plans for vet school. She talked about the steps she had taken to enter school and all that it entailed. I encouraged her to live her dream and knew with confidence she would be a great vet tech! Oh, Emily, my heart aches for your mom, grandma, Preston and all those that knew and loved you. Especially all the animals. Emily, I am a better person for knowing you. You will be missed and our hearts are broken. Until we meet again. Much love to you sweet child and to the loved ones you leave behind. V

Veronica Singh - November 25, 2021 at 12:12 AM

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“ Teresa Ferguson (Carole's friend) purchased the Plants-A-Plenty for the family of Emily Louise Word.



Teresa Ferguson (Carole's friend) - November 23, 2021 at 05:15 PM

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“ Cousin Janet here, I met Emily when she was just a toddler. I remember her sweet personality at such an early age! I had the pleasure of attending a few of her earlier birthday celebrations. Though I missed several years in between, I did get to attend her high school graduation! Emily will always hold a very special place in my heart, I will miss her dearly. The heavens have gained a very special angel.

janet orndoff - November 23, 2021 at 12:04 PM