



Carolyn Ann Whitehead

December 29, 1938 - March 14, 2025

Carolyn Ann Whitehead was born on December 29, 1938, in Charles City County, Virginia. She was the seventh of eight children born to Robert E. Whitehead, Sr., and Luevania Miles Whitehead. Educated in the Charles City County Public School System, she graduated from Ruthville High School in 1957. Carolyn joined St. John Baptist Church at an early age and remained a dedicated member, attending church regularly until the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Carolyn was a member of the Senior Choir for many years, singing alongside her mother and sister in the Alto section.

Upon graduation, Carolyn moved to the Richmond area and earned a business certification from Smith Madden Business College. She spent most of her work career as a federal employee with the Defense General Supply Center, retiring as an Inventory Management Specialist with 32 years of service.

In addition to her “day” job, Carolyn owned numerous rental properties and took great pride in providing affordable housing in the Richmond area. She enjoyed spending time painting and light repair work projects. Carolyn enjoyed sharing her entrepreneurial ventures with her nephews, nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces, and continuously spoke with them about building generational wealth. In her spare time, Carolyn enjoyed fishing and traveling throughout the United States.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Luevania Whitehead, and siblings: Iona W. Adkins, Fenton L. Whitehead, Robert E. Whitehead Jr., Langston H. Whitehead Sr. and Vivian W. Walker. She leaves to cherish her memory siblings: Phyllis W. Charity, and Connie W. Crawley; her Godson Ryan Gardner; many devoted nieces and nephews; cousins; and friends (special – Mae Carson, Marie Hart and Michelle Brown).

A funeral service will be held 11AM Saturday, March 22, 2025, at St. John Baptist Church, Charles City, VA. A viewing will take place one hour prior to services.

Cemetery Details

St. John Baptist Church

8131 Roxbury Rd
Charles City, VA 23030

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

BG

“ Aunt Carolyn, it has taken me a little longer to get my thoughts together to thank you for being in my life. I lit a candle however a candle could NOT express the love that I have for you. You held me up through thick and thin. Ironically, you heard my thanks for you at Aunt Pop's funeral. Both of you taught me how to live in a world of imperfections. You were my all in all. You never criticized, but gave encouragement to keep the doors of communication and wisdom flowing to all of us. You not only extend your wisdom to me, but all of my mother's six girls extending additionally to your remaining nieces and nephews. Your generosity was framed with, "not fault, but need." Beyond us, you often helped colleagues on the job with small loans to get them from pay check to pay check. You would merely say, "They have children, I don't." You were the CAW Loan and Trust with no interest-pay as you can and when you can. Your timeline was written in invisible ink.

I know you were ready to be forceful toward those who inflicted harm on me, but you were wise enough to know, I had to make my own decisions to sustain my personal convictions. I will forever keep you in my heart. I thank God for you, but regret not telling you that I had planned to come to stay with you until you were strong enough to be on your own, but then, God knows best. I am tearful, yet joyful that God knew you wanted to come home to be with Grandma Lue, Grandpa Bob and your siblings, especially Aunt Pop. I knew you were weak and your time was coming to an end, but I didn't realize so soon.

*To God be the glory,
Bonnie Kay*

Bonnie Gardner - April 13, 2025 at 07:28 AM

MH

“ *The prayers and thoughts of the Hathaway family are with the Whitehead and Crawley families as you celebrate the life of Carolyn Whitehead.*

Dr. Milton A. Hathaway



Milton Hathaway - March 28, 2025 at 10:34 AM

LC

“ *Carolyn (AKA Miss Ann) is my Best Friend Forever of 30+ years. I often cry in realizing that I will never again see her in the flesh. However, when the variant and numerous good memories come to the fore, I can smile in remembrance. I believe that she is resting in peace.*

L. M. F. Carson

L. M. F. CARSON - March 26, 2025 at 05:12 PM

BG

“ *Bonnie Gardner lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Whitehead*



Bonnie Gardner - March 25, 2025 at 10:26 AM

HE

“ Henderson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn
Ann Whitehead



Henderson - March 21, 2025 at 11:28 PM

HE

Ms. Carolyn was a wonderful person. She lived across the street from my family. Even though she didn't have children, she cared for the children on our street. She always encouraged us to do well in school and be kind to others.

We considered she and my mom the "Neighborhood Watch Captains. Nothing got passed them. I admired how she took pride in keeping her yard well groomed. Her grass was beautiful and we knew not to run in her yard while we were playing outside. 😊

She always drive a nice car and kept it washed and ready to go. I remember her wearing flashy hats on Sundays when she left the house for church. After reading her obituary, I learned she could sing. I had no idea.

Ms. Carolyn is and will be missed. Going to my parent's house won't be the same. It's heartbreaking knowing my mom lost a friend and neighbor

RIH Ms. Carolyn.

Henderson - March 21, 2025 at 11:51 PM

JH

“ Joie Howell lit a candle in memory of Carolyn
Ann Whitehead



Joie Howell - March 21, 2025 at 10:13 PM

EG

“ We are deeply sorry for the loss of our neighbor, A good friend Ann Whitehead. We all for prayers of condolences, and peace be upon you.



Edna Gillis - March 21, 2025 at 08:31 PM



“ Elwin Black lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Whitehead



Elwin Black - March 21, 2025 at 02:37 PM

BA

“ Barbara Adkins lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Whitehead



Barbara Adkins - March 19, 2025 at 12:16 PM

KB

“ Kathy C Baker sent a virtual gift in memory of Carolyn Ann Whitehead



Kathy C Baker - March 19, 2025 at 12:12 PM

AC

“ Anne Charity lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Ann Whitehead



Anne Charity - March 18, 2025 at 11:07 PM

FM

“ I was her clerk so many years ago at DGSC. Such a sweet and kind woman to this youngster just starting to work for the government. Prayers to her family. RIP Carolyn



Fran Milby - March 17, 2025 at 03:27 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - March 17, 2025 at 07:20 AM