



Darlene Yvonne Cotman

March 26, 1956 - February 16, 2026

On February 16, 2026, Darlene Yvonne Cotman entered eternal rest, leaving behind a legacy of love, devotion, and kindness that will forever live in the hearts of those who knew her.

Born on March 26, 1956, in Charles City, VA, Darlene was the beloved daughter of Doris Johnson. She is preceded in death by her grandparents Harry Sr. & Iva Adkins.

For 48 beautiful years, Darlene shared her life with her devoted husband, Anthony Cotman Sr. Their love story was one of commitment, partnership, and unwavering support. She was a cherished mother to two loving and devoted children, Tiffany Charity (Chartae Sr.) and Anthony Cotman Jr. (Volonda), and a proud grandmother to Chartae Jr. (CJ), Cassidy (Missy), and Anthony III (Manny). Her grandchildren were her pride and joy, and she always ensured they had everything they needed for school and life.

Darlene's loving and devoted family circle includes her mother Doris Johnson; two sisters, Sharon Crewe (James Jr.) and Verna Johnson; two brothers, Leonard and Keith Johnson; three aunts, Janice Adkins, Juphenia Adkins, and Doris Adkins; one uncle, Gilbert Adkins; one sister-in-law, Carrie Anne Williams; three nieces, Tera Pinkney (Damian), Neena Cotman, and Kiwanda Johnson (Derrick); three nephews, Sewan Johnson (Krystal), Jamar Cotman

(Sparkle), and James Crewe III (ShaDonna); one cousin, Linda Morris; one bonus daughter, Laura Bradby Carter (Gerrell); two friends, Sandra Parker and Sherleen Crewe, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and caring friends.

At an early age, Darlene accepted Christ and became a member of Cedar Grove Baptist Church. She was a proud graduate of Charles City Public Schools, Class of 1974 and dedicated 40 years of service as an Operations Lead at Reynolds Metal before retiring, exemplifying hard work, dedication, and integrity throughout her career.

She found joy in shopping with her daughter, affectionately called "Nanny," spending Saturdays at yard sales, thrifting, and enjoying lunch together. Darlene loved planting flowers at home and at her children's homes, visiting Lowe's, cooking, and cherishing time with loved ones. Her warmth, generosity, and nurturing spirit were felt by all.

Darlene was a caring and devoted wife, mother, sister, grandmother, and friend. She was truly an angel on earth, and now she rests as an angel in Heaven. Her wavering love and beautiful spirit will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

A funeral service will be held 12 Noon Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at Vincent Funeral Home, 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, Va 23140. A viewing will be held one hour prior to services. Interment to follow in the Cedar Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

5500 Adkins Rd
Providence Forge, VA 23140

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB 24. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge Chapel
9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Forge, VA 23140
(804) 966-7075

Funeral Service

FEB 24. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

NA

“ *Nicole Adkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Nicole Adkins - February 25 at 02:35 AM

AM

“ *Andrew Marrow lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Andrew Marrow - February 24 at 06:45 PM

GC

“ *Sending my condolences to the Cotman family. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.*



Gerrell Carter - February 24 at 10:55 AM

LB

“ *Lorna Braxton lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Lorna Braxton - February 24 at 09:38 AM

LG

“ *Lee Lee Greene lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Lee Lee Greene - February 24 at 02:17 AM

MC

“ *Marsha Charity lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Marsha Charity - February 23 at 11:46 PM

KA

“ *Kae Adkins lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Kae Adkins - February 23 at 11:03 PM

DN

“ *Condolences to the family of Darlene Cotman, my thoughts and prayers are with you.*

David Newsom - February 23 at 09:51 PM

CR

“ *My thoughts and prayers go to Darlene’s family. I’m so sorry for your loss, a loss to a lot of people. Darlene was an amazing person and friend. Rest in peace my friend. Love you always* ❤️🙏



Cynthia Robinson - February 23 at 01:44 PM

CR

“ *Cynthia Robinson lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Cynthia Robinson - February 23 at 01:42 PM

BE

“ *Cotman Family,*

The Edmonds and Dandridge Family would like to send our deepest sympathy to the family. We shared so many memories with Darlene, we worked together at Reynolds (Alco) for years. She always carried a beautiful smile that's what I remembered the most. You all are in our prayers and hold on to God's unchanging hands.

Bridget D Edmonds - February 23 at 01:10 PM

SJ

“ *Silene Crawley Johnson lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Silene Crawley Johnson - February 23 at 12:31 PM

SJ

Bo and family my heartfelt condolences to you all. Darlene will truly be missed. May all the fond memories you have bring you peace as you travel this difficult journey. Love to you all

Silene Crawley Johnson - February 23 at 12:35 PM

SJ

“ *Sharon Johnson lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Sharon Johnson - February 23 at 10:36 AM

RJ

“ *Robert Jones lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Robert Jones - February 23 at 10:04 AM

SS

“ *Stewart And Sweething lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Stewart and Sweething - February 23 at 09:03 AM

RJ

“ *Reginald Jones lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Reginald Jones - February 22 at 07:58 PM

RJ

*So sorry for your loss
My prayers are with your family*

Reginald Jones - February 22 at 08:01 PM

OL

TIFFANY SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR MOM. MAY THE GOD OF ALL STRENGTH GIVE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ADDED STRENGTH DURNING THIS TIME OF SORROW...STEWART AND Odessa Logan.....Aunt MAEBABY.

Odessa Logan - February 24 at 07:25 PM

RM

“ *May you find comfort in the cherished memories and love that surrounds you!!!*

With Deepest Sympathy

Robert Alexander Miles - February 22 at 05:12 PM

WN

“ *May God give the family comfort in this difficult time. Aunt D as I called her was a angel from God that he shared with us for 69 yrs. Her and my MoM were best friends so Anthony and family rest assure we have angels looking down on us for the rest of our lives.....*

Wayne and Nicole Crawley Pooh and Niki - February 22 at 12:48 PM

PJ

“ *Paulette Johnson lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Paulette Johnson - February 22 at 08:12 AM

CJ

“ *Cardell Johnson lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Cardell Johnson - February 21 at 10:07 PM

YB

“ *Sincere condolences to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



Yvonne Bradby - February 21 at 04:50 PM

HE

“ *Hattie C. Evans lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Hattie C. Evans - February 21 at 03:01 PM

YS

“ *A beautiful person with a loving smile. Rest in peace.*
Yvonne Smith-Jones

Yvonne Smith-Jones - February 20 at 10:00 PM

JJ

“ *Josie Jones lit a candle in memory of Darlene*
Yvonne Cotman



Josie Jones - February 20 at 07:36 PM

MN

“ *Condolences to the family. May she Rest In*
Peace.



MARC NELSON - February 20 at 12:58 PM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - February 20 at 07:03 AM

VB

“ *Vinsherida Brown lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Vinsherida Brown - February 20 at 04:07 AM

AG

“ *Angela S Greene lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Angela S Greene - February 20 at 01:59 AM

LC

“ To my best friend Tiffany: I am so deeply sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a warm, loving presence, and she meant so much to everyone who knew her especially to me. She always made me feel welcome, cared for, and like part of the family. I will always cherish the memories of her kindness, her laughter, and the way she showed up for you in everything. My heart aches for you during this unimaginable time. I can't begin to understand the depth of your pain, but please know that I am here for you, for anything you need, at any time. Your mom's love lives on in you, in the way you care for others, in your strength, and in your heart. I feel grateful to have known her and to have witnessed the beautiful bond you shared. I'm holding you close in my thoughts and sending you all my love.



Love Always,
Rin

Laura Carter - February 19 at 10:10 PM

TM

“ Condolences to the family. Rest in peace Dee



T Morton - February 19 at 08:28 PM

JG

“ *Joyce Ghee lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Joyce Ghee - February 19 at 07:07 PM

BG

“ *Blanche Ghee sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Blanche Ghee - February 19 at 07:03 PM

RE

“ *Rennie lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Rennie - February 19 at 06:54 PM

FG

“ *Freddie Ghee lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Freddie Ghee - February 19 at 06:48 PM

AF

“ Anthony & Linda Ghee And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman



Anthony & Linda Ghee and family - February 19 at 06:23 PM

BJ

“ Butch & Susie Jones lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman



Butch & Susie Jones - February 19 at 05:56 PM

CW

“ Our condolence to Cotman family
Anthony, Tiff, Booman always keep your love
one memories in your hearts 💕 much love
you y'all and grands.
Cookie ,Charles Wallace



Cookie Wallace - February 19 at 05:29 PM

MC

“ Marilyn Crump lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman



Marilyn Crump - February 19 at 05:19 PM

WB

“ *My condolences to the family. Rest in heavenly paradise.* ”



Wilhelmenia B. Black - February 19 at 04:36 PM

VR

“ *Veralyn Ruttley lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman* ”



Veralyn Ruttley - February 19 at 04:28 PM

WW

“ *Wanda Whitehead lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman* ”



Wanda Whitehead - February 19 at 02:00 PM

BL

“ *My deepest condolences to the entire family.* ”

Benita Lewis - February 19 at 12:11 PM

RA

“ ROSETTA ADKINS lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman



ROSETTA ADKINS - February 19 at 11:30 AM

JB

“ My Condolences goes out to the family rest in peace Darlene in Paradise 💕💕💕 Love.

Joyce Brown - February 19 at 12:49 AM

VG

“ Darlene, I will always love you. I will never forget you.
Valerie Bowman Gardner

Valerie Bowman Gardner - February 18 at 09:38 PM

DG

“ Thank you nanny Darlene for always loving and treating me like family. Thank you for always checking on me and the kids. You will truly be missed!

DeShaundra Gardner - February 18 at 09:12 PM

JW

“ Jessica White lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman



Jessica White - February 18 at 09:03 PM

LS

“ *Lonta And Shardae Smith lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Lonta and Shardae Smith - February 18 at 08:38 PM

KT

“ *Kenneth Tabb lit a candle in memory of Darlene Yvonne Cotman*



Kenneth Tabb - February 18 at 07:19 PM

DA

My your memories of Cousin Darlene always be a Blessing

Debbie Allen

Debbie Allen - February 18 at 07:40 PM

DA

May Your Memories of Cousin Darlene always be a Blessing 🙏

Debbie Allen - February 18 at 07:42 PM

BG

*Anthony and family,
May God bless you and keep you during this time of sorrow. Darlene was a beautiful person, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, and friend. Her smile was a certainly the connection to everyone she met, especially my family.
May God bless you and keep you,
Bonnie and family*

Bonnie Gardner - February 19 at 01:19 PM

DC

*Anthony, May God keep you and see you through these trying times.
You have our condolences. Sincerely, Donald and Brenda Charity*

Donald Charity - February 19 at 01:29 PM

JH

May God bless you'll at a time like this.

joie howell - February 22 at 02:59 PM