



Joan Charity Calhoun

March 4, 1933 - June 20, 2025

Joan Corlisse Charity-Calhoun was born on March 4, 1933, in Charles City, Virginia, the youngest of eight beloved children born to the late Zachariah and Susie Mabel Miles-Charity. She accepted Christ at an early age at Saint John's Baptist Church and later became a faithful member of Gilfield Baptist Church.

Raised in the close-knit community of Charles City, Joan was given the opportunity as a young girl to move to Jersey City, New Jersey, to live with relatives. She graduated from Lincoln High School in Jersey City in 1952 and began her professional journey with Western Electric in 1953.

That same year, Joan met the love of her life, Eugene Francis Calhoun, through mutual friends and family. The couple were united in marriage in a small, intimate ceremony in New York City in 1954. Together, they were blessed with four beautiful children, Deborah, Corlisse, Eugene, and Marcus. The Calhoun family made New Jersey home for 25 joyful years.

Following the untimely passing of her beloved husband, Joan returned to her roots in Charles City, Virginia. She leaned on her deep faith to guide her as she lovingly raised her children, instilling in them the importance of family, hard work, and unwavering faith.

Joan served as a paraprofessional in the Charles City Public School system, where she worked alongside dedicated educators for 10 years. She brought patience, kindness, and warmth to every classroom she touched.

In retirement, Joan enjoyed life's simple pleasures—gardening, reading, traveling, and watching her favorite TV shows. A natural nurturer, she was known for her sharp wit, sound advice, and the ability to lift your spirits with a single phone call. Joan gave freely, lived simply, and always stayed true to herself. On June 20, 2025, Joan peacefully went home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, in Atlanta, Georgia. Surrounded by her loving family, she transitioned with grace and dignity.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings, and her husband, Eugene Calhoun Sr.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her four children, Deborah Lynn Calhoun, Corlisse Francis Calhoun El-Fakhri, Eugene William Calhoun, and Marcus David Calhoun Sr.; her daughter-in-love, Monica C Calhoun; her five adored grandchildren, Dionna (Germal) Dunbar-Daniel, Sakinah C El-Fakhri, Marcus David Calhoun Jr., Lauren K Henderson, and Jordan Francis Calhoun; two great-grandchildren, Demi and Ava Joan Daniel; her beloved sister, Amanda Charity Jefferson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends who will forever carry her memory in their hearts.

A visitation will be held from 5pm-7pm, Wednesday, July 2, 2025, at Vincent Funeral Home, 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140. A sunrise graveside service will be held 6AM, Thursday, July 3, 2025, at Gilfield Baptist Church, 6640 Church Lane, Charles City, VA 23030.

Cemetery Details

Gilfield Baptist Church Cemetery

6640 Church Ln.
Charles City, VA 23030

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Graveside Funeral Service

JUL 3. 6:00 AM (ET)

Gilfield Baptist Church Cemetery
6640 Church Ln.
Charles City, VA 23030

Tribute Wall

FB

“ *Cousin Joan will be missed. I'll hold dear the talks during the nap times at school. I'm happy she got her final wish... My prayers to you all.*

*Love,
Felicia*



Felicia P Brown - July 06, 2025 at 01:24 AM

LJ

“ *Lisa M Jones lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Lisa M Jones - July 03, 2025 at 11:41 PM

YB

“ *My sincere condolences to the family.*



Yvonne Bradby - July 03, 2025 at 08:04 AM

JS

“ *JOHNNY L RILEY SR lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



JOHNNY L RILEY SR - July 02, 2025 at 03:07 PM



“ *Elwin Black sent a virtual gift in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Elwin Black - July 02, 2025 at 12:26 PM

PB

“ *Pamela Bradby lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Pamela Bradby - July 02, 2025 at 12:23 PM

SB

“ *Shanda Paige Bullock lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Shanda Paige Bullock - July 02, 2025 at 10:53 AM

KB

“ *Kathy C Baker sent a virtual gift in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Kathy C Baker - July 02, 2025 at 09:26 AM

PW

“ *Princess Whitehead*



Princess Whitehead - July 02, 2025 at 07:02 AM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - July 02, 2025 at 05:52 AM

CB

“ *Christene Bradby sent a virtual gift in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Christene Bradby - July 01, 2025 at 07:04 PM

CB

Rest in Heavenly peace my Dear friend ,you have gained your angel wings

Christene Bradby - July 01, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ *Condolences to the family.*



Charlene Redman - July 01, 2025 at 06:23 PM

JH

“ *Joie Howell lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



joie howell - July 01, 2025 at 06:14 PM

BG

“Joan was a smiling cousin that my Moma adored. They kept up with the community news and shared family stories. During Covid, moma insisted that I would prepare Joan dinner. Moma knew Joan had more than here share, but wanted her and Eugene to have plenty, in case the viruse struck all over the community and they could not get out or food couldn't be delivered. Moma sometimes rode with me to deliver meals. She loved Joan so much because they were first cousins who showed their family love through caring and sharing. When Moma said, (COOK), I went to the stove on a dime and took Joan hardy meals of many ethnicities. Joan was always grateful . She would call Moma and tell her how grateful she was and snickled about it's origin. Having left Charles City at an early age to move with sisters and cousins, in "Jersy", Joan was well versed in dishes from all backgrounds and countries. She often related her meals to places she had visited or had meals she had eaten. This was somewhat of a flashback of her younger years. The stories were hot and heavy, accompanied with hardy laughter.



We loved the ride with our cousin, in Wayside in Charles City, Virginia.

May you seek comfort in your mother's smile and her mild manner personality.

We truly enjoyed her company and family devotion.

Loving all of you,

Phyllis and girls-

Julie, Bonnie, Joie, Sharon

Linda, and Marsha

Bo nie Gardner - July 01, 2025 at 01:21 PM

VG

“ Valerie Bowman Gardner lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun



Valerie Bowman Gardner - July 01, 2025 at 12:00 PM

CP

“ Prayers for the family.

Charlotte and Wesley Peterson



Charlotte Peterson - July 01, 2025 at 11:36 AM

SC

“ Steve Crawley lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun



Steve Crawley - July 01, 2025 at 11:35 AM

TD

“ My condolences to my family in the passing of Aunt Joan. May God's peace rest with you all.

Tamara Miles Dunn - July 01, 2025 at 10:56 AM

AB

“ *Adrienne Crawley Burrell lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Adrienne Crawley Burrell - July 01, 2025 at 07:20 AM

SW

“ *Sheila Sheila E Wallace lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



sheila sheila e wallace - July 01, 2025 at 07:01 AM

TS

“ *Tonya Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Tonya Smith - July 01, 2025 at 12:42 AM

HC

“ *Hugo Charity lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun*



Hugo Charity - June 30, 2025 at 09:29 PM

CC

“ Corey And Nicole Cotman sent a virtual gift in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun



Corey and Nicole Cotman - June 30, 2025 at 07:35 PM

AJ

“ Anthony And Ebony Jones lit a candle in memory of Joan Charity Calhoun



Anthony and Ebony Jones - June 30, 2025 at 05:11 PM