



Timothy Franklin Gardner

March 14, 1951 - February 28, 2019

Timothy Franklin Gardner transitioned from this earthly place on February 28, 2019. He was born March 14, 1951 in Charles City, VA. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charlie and Frances Gardner, sister, Ann Crews and brother, Harmon L. Gardner, Sr.

He is survived by a loving and devoted wife of 44 years, Bonnie; two children, Ryan and Charra; five grandchildren, Michiah, Etana, Nyjah, Jenia, and Arie; six siblings, Claude (Jennifer), Charles (Rhonda), Carl (Rhonda), James (Movita), Robert (Deborah), Gayle Paxton (Brian); mother-in-law, Phyllis W. Charity; sisters-in-law, Julie Jones (Julian), Joie Howell, Linda Washington, Sharon Taylor, Marsha Charity, and Valerie Gardner; two goddaughters, Madison and Cameron Gardner.

A visitation will be held 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 5th at Vincent Funeral Home, 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA. Funeral services will be 12 noon, Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at St. John Baptist Church, 8131 Roxbury Rd., Charles City, VA. Interment will follow in church cemetery.

Cemetery Details

St. John Baptist Church

8131 Roxbury Rd
Charles City, VA 23030

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAR 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. John Baptist Church
8131 Roxbury Rd
Charles City, VA 23030

Tribute Wall

BG

“ Tim,

It will soon be six years that you left us- to go to your heavenly home, leaving-children and grandchildren, your brothers and sisters , the church and axillaries, including the Deacon Board, the Greeters Ministry, the Usher Board, the Men's Choir, Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, Family and Friend's Day, not to mention Revival and the group of ladies who greeted you with words of wisdom each Sunday, especially Cousin Moss and Ms. Marguerite. Cousin Moss left us to met you and Ms. Maguerite last Christmas Eve. Since then, Aunt Pop followed the early part of the new year to join many others who passed years within the years after your passing.

First, thank for loving us, Ryan, Charra and our five grands. Then thank you for determination to outrun the years given to you by your physicians. Your faith held you up to overcome four surgeries and multiple visits to the emergency room and hospitalizations-"but God". The days were sometimes longer and more difficult to manage,almost impossible nevertheless, we made it.

I still feel your presence with the deacons in front of me as I sing and your talks to the congregation about the children. You will never be forgotten.

You took a piece of my heart with you when you gained your wings. It has taken a while to adjust to a new way which keeps me acknowledging thankfulness for God's blessings to keep me where I am. The first three years were the hardest, with God,s help com bined with family support, my tears come when there is an event that brings reminders of special occasions that begin with your winks that brought joy to my heart,-grandchildren growing up, remembering our travels to Virginia's highlands, the beaches in North and South Carolina, the weekend drives down Interstate 81 to Knoxville Tennessee. Our stays in Florida and Georgia cannot be forgotten, not to leave out Nevada, California, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana Texas, Michigan, Maryland, Missouri Louisiana, Mississippi and Washington D.C. along with the birthday gift of exploring the New England States. I cannot forget the

children'parties,family gatherings and rides to see the Christmas lights at Virginia Beach.

You made your Christmas gatherings entrance with a smile after you left or came late before or after work because of a rotating schedule.

My memories is of a loving and caring stream of events with you, family and friends. It is a blessing to think of our Christmas holiday events we spent-Christmas Eve dinners from house to house, cleaning up wrapping paper,assembling toys and rushing out the doors to community events. Even then, you stayed strong without a grimace, all the time clinging your determination to fight whatever obstacle or pain was being inflicted. God gave us favor and because of it, we grew and acknowledged His presence.

Tears have become laughter as I have walked this journey embracing God's love and mercy, being thankful for his His gift of a continous recovery from grief and helping others to take a day at the time.

*To God be the glory,
Bonnie*

Bonnie Gardner - February 13, 2025 at 08:59 PM

CG

“ *There is not a day that goes by that I don't wish I could call and have one of our 2 hour phone calls. Even today, while I'm away on vacation and over 3 years after your physical body left us, I still hurt like it all happened yesterday. I love you Daddy. You will forever Always on my Mind Forever in my Heat. Love, Your Babygirl Charra*

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Charra Gardner - May 25, 2022 at 12:35 PM

ST

“ Sharon Taylor lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner



Sharon Taylor - March 25, 2019 at 09:26 AM

ST

Bonnie,

I will always cherish memories of Tim especially when we use to ride with him to take you back to college!. I will remember our family gatherings and the good times we had. Tim & I grew closer when he came to Bellwood to work. He always had my back no matter what! Also, when he stood in the pulpit and prayed, it made my heart feel so good because you could feel the love of Jesus in his expression of words. It is hard because I feel that it is so unreal, but I know he is sitting in heaven with his mom, dad, Ann and Harmon rejoicing. Remember your love for your husband and all the good times you shared with him and keep it close to your heart. Bonnie, be strong, it will get easier each day and we, your family will always be here for you whenever you need us. Look to the Lord for your strength and everything will be alright because he is walking with you each step of the way. Love your Sis...

Sharon Taylor - March 25, 2019 at 09:50 AM

RR

“ Raymond And Veronica Rivers lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner



Raymond and Veronica Rivers - March 06, 2019 at 10:36 PM

JQ

“ *Bonnie and Family,*

You have our deepest sympathy on the loss of Tim. May you soon find peace in memories that will always live in your heart.

Our Love, Our Sympathy and Our Prayers

Alvin and Janis White Quarles

Janis Quarles - March 06, 2019 at 07:48 PM

JH

“ *Jane Harris lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner*



Jane Harris - March 06, 2019 at 04:49 PM

BC

“ *Bill & Loreatha Crockett lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner*



Bill & Loreatha Crockett - March 06, 2019 at 08:11 AM

WA

“ Wendy Allen-Hardy lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Franklin Gardner



Wendy Allen-Hardy - March 05, 2019 at 07:51 PM

DJ

“ Delores Johnson lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Franklin Gardner



Delores Johnson - March 05, 2019 at 07:20 PM

RB

“ *Bonnie and Family,*

Our hearts go out to you and your family. Although I don't know exactly what to say, I want you to know that I am with you in thought and wish you comfort and peace as you remember Tim. May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived. I have warm memories of Tim from our elementary days at Ruthville School and our random meetings at family/social gatherings over the years. I will always have fond memories of him as the “philosopher”.

Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.

*Richard Bowman
Plano, TX*

Richard M Bowman - March 05, 2019 at 12:02 PM

RB

“ *Richard M Bowman lit a candle in memory of
Timothy Franklin Gardner*



Richard M Bowman - March 05, 2019 at 11:59 AM

PC

“ *Bonnie my condolences goes out to you and your family. I will keep you in my prayers and always remember God loves you and your always. The Bentley Family*

Pamela B. Christian - March 05, 2019 at 10:59 AM

JP

“ Bonnie my condolences to you and your family for your lost. His time of suffering is over and he had prepared himself for this moment to go home with the Lord to rest. Tim and I became fast friends and I truly miss our time we shared which was only a moment. Jasper Peebles



jasper lee peebles - March 05, 2019 at 09:30 AM

KT

“ Kenneth Tabb lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner



Kenneth Tabb - March 05, 2019 at 07:45 AM

LG

“ Bonnie,
I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family.
LaVerne Charity Greenhill



LaVerne Greenhill - March 05, 2019 at 07:35 AM

TF

“ Bonnie, dear Woman of God, we are deeply sadden at the passing of Tim. May God bless, keep, and comfort you and your family is our prayer.

Adrian and Terrelyn Gillespie

The Gillespie Family - March 05, 2019 at 12:08 AM

CA

Bonnie we are so sorry for your lost, keep the Faith, be strong, God will order your steps

Charles and GERAL Adkins - March 05, 2019 at 11:45 AM

GW

“ *Gail P Greene & Gwen P Whiting lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner*



Gail P Greene & Gwen P Whiting - March 04, 2019 at 05:47 PM

GG

Bonnie and family, sending love and prayers.

Gail P Greene - March 04, 2019 at 05:49 PM

RB

“ *Bonnie and Family, so sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers and condolences goes out too each of you. May God be with you. Renee Washington Brown and Family*

Renee Brown - March 04, 2019 at 02:56 PM

JP

“ *Bonnie/Ryan/Chara;*

Many acquaintances have I, few "FRIENDS" have I ever known, I now have one less "FRIEND"! Never can be forgotten, never can be replaced!

Julian



JPJones - March 04, 2019 at 12:56 AM

YB

“ *Bonnie and Family,
I was so sorry to hear of Tim's passing. I
know it's hard but I also know that you would
not want him to continue suffering. Know that
now you have another guardian angel. I pray
that thru God you will find some peace and understanding during
this trying time.*



*Love and Prayers
Yvonne Bradby*

Yvonne Bradby - March 03, 2019 at 11:24 PM

ST

“ *Prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Sandy, Wilbur
and Mrs. Tate.*

Sandy Tate - March 03, 2019 at 08:41 PM

JB

“ *Bonnie & Family,
We were deeply saddened to learn of Tim's passing, but we know
you would not want to see him continue in distress. We offer our
sincerest condolences and pray that our good God will grant you
that peace that surpasseth all understanding. I will always have fond
memories of Tim, his sisters and brothers. Jennifer and Pipe
(Claude) and I have been the best of friends for years and, the
siblings felt like my siblings. I'm sorry I won't be able to attend Tim's
services as I just had knee replacement surgery last week. We love
you and pray for and with you.
JoAnne and Warren Bell*

JoAnne Bell - March 03, 2019 at 06:39 PM

JA

It was a pleasure caring for such a wonderful man. He had a great spirit and a lovely disposition. May he rest in peace. My sincere condolences to the family and his lovely wife Bonnie. Respectfully, Jennifer Asante, SMH.

Jennifer Asante - March 03, 2019 at 08:15 PM

KB

“ *Kathy Baker lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner*



Kathy Baker - March 03, 2019 at 06:28 PM

BA

“ *TO THE FAMILY OF TIM GARDNER, I SEND MY CONDELENCES TO YOU, ALONG WITH PRAYER. I WORKED WITH TIM AT LUCENT TECH FOR YEARS AND HE WILL BE MISSED BY OLD CO-WORKERS. MAY GOD WRAP HIS LOVING ARM OF PROTECTION AROUND THIS FAMILY IN THEIR TIME OF NEED. TIM WE MISS YOU. MRS PATRICIA BACCUS*

BACCUS, PATRICIA - March 03, 2019 at 03:35 PM

MC

“ Bonnie and family we are deeply sorry for your loss. Harris's stories of growing up with Tim and his brothers will be treasured memories. Let me say that you are truly one of God's Finest. You have always showed compassion and love to all. I know how the loss of Tim tugs at your heart strings and I also know that God is holding your hand. Not easy, no but recall those other times he's been there with you. His Grace and Mercy will bring you through. I do love you and because of your heart you will get through this. Remember that you're never alone.
Marilyn & Harris Crump

Marilyn & Harris Crump - March 03, 2019 at 02:00 PM

AH

Bonnie,
I am so sorry to hear of Tim's passing. We had so many years that we talked and shared memories of our loved ones. May GOD provide you the strength that you will need in this most difficult time.
I will always remember how you were there for me in the lost of my parents . Please feel free to reach out at any time. Love you and your family dearly.

Arlinda Hairston - March 03, 2019 at 03:36 PM

JH

“ Bonnie, I remember you and Tim had just gotten married, but you'll let me move in with you'll so I could get to work,. From your place C&P was just a 10 minute walk. I appreciated all you did for me. Whenever I needed something you were always there. I will always remember your love and unselfishness to me. May you always have good memories as I do. Ryan, Charra, Mckiah, Tanie, Ari, Jaynei and Niquel. You have the best nana and Papa. When times get lonely always think of the Great time shared with our love one. God bless you family with much love.



joie howell - March 03, 2019 at 12:17 PM

GP

“ You all will be in our hearts forever !!!
Gina & Teddy Peterson



Gina Peterson - March 03, 2019 at 11:44 AM

RB

“ Bonnie we are so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit..Roman's 15:13
James (Mandy) and Rev Mary Brown

Rev Mary Brown - March 03, 2019 at 11:06 AM

RH

“ Rosa Harris lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner



rosa harris - March 03, 2019 at 09:16 AM

LG

“ Bonnie, May God ease your pain and comfort you and your family as you all grieve the loss of Tim.



Leo and Cynthia Graham-Aaron - March 03, 2019 at 07:25 AM

JB

“ Ed & Jessie Crewe lit a candle in memory of Tim

jbcrawe - March 02, 2019 at 06:56 PM

JB

“ John & Brenda Bailey lit a candle in memory of Timothy Franklin Gardner



John & Brenda Bailey - March 02, 2019 at 05:45 PM

BG

My candle will never be blown out for all that we shared- God first, our children, weekend drives to visit me at Saint Paul Sunday and weekend rides, our drive to see Ryan in Texas and to his graduation from college in West Virginia, travel back and forth to northern Virginia to see Charra in college, from Michigan to Tennessee, the New England States, a birthday gift after 9-11, then to Texas, Canada, California, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Nevada, Florida, Mississippi; Delaware- while you afforded the children and I a trip to Germany, and a trip for me to Korea. Since you have been gone I was able to visit London, England and plan to visit places you traveled while in the military- Denver, Colorado, and Norway I am also looking at Seattle, San Juan, Bangor and thoughts of the moment.

I have been to Michigan at least three or four times to see our relatives and friends, then to my fishing spots in Middlesex and Deltaville to sail up and down the Rappahonock. Ethan took me out three times on his boat, it was relaxing without fish. Incidentally, I caught a 3lb fish in the York River

No matter, the ride that we shared was sometimes bumpy, yet the arrival was smooth, for that I say, "thank you. with all my love."

Bonnie Gardner - January 30, 2025 at 03:19 AM