



Carol Ann Clayton

September 22, 1944 - August 22, 2024

Carol Ann Clayton, age 79, of Strawberry Plains, TN formerly of St. Cloud, FL and Richmond, VA went to be with the Lord on Thursday, August 22, 2024. Carol retired from Lockheed-Martin in 2010. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains. She was a dedicated follower of Jesus Christ and served as a faithful pianist for the Lord for over 53 years and violinist. A loving wife, mother, and sister. Preceded in death by her parents, Leon and Dorothy Freeman, and her sister, Janet Freeman. She will be greatly missed by her husband of 60 years, James Clayton, sons, James Clayton, Jr. and Tracy Clayton and daughter, Robin Clayton; grandson, Justin Clayton; brother, Leon D. Freeman. The family will receive friends on Monday, August 26th from 10:00-11:00 am at First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains with a Celebration of Life service to follow at 11:00 am with Pastor Tony Hayes and Tracy Clayton officiating. Family and friends will meet at 1:00 pm Monday afternoon at Westview Cemetery for a graveside service.

Fielden Funeral Home is honored to serve the Clayton family.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.--II Timothy Chapter 4 Verses 7-9. (KJV)

Previous Events

Receiving of Friends

AUG 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Strawberry Plains
3100 W Old Andrew Johnson Hwy
Strawberry Plains, TN 37871

Celebration of Life

AUG 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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3100 W Old Andrew Johnson Hwy
Strawberry Plains, TN 37871

Graveside Service

AUG 26. 1:00 PM (ET)

Westview Cemetery
268 W. Old Andrew Johnson Hwy
Jefferson City, TN 37760

Tribute Wall



“ *Fielden Funeral Home Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Carol Ann Clayton*



Fielden Funeral Home Inc. - August 26, 2024 at 08:59 AM

SS

“ *I just learned of Carol's transition to Heaven, and even now I'm sad, but I'm also rejoicing about her life here on earth. Even more about her eternal life with Jesus. Carol worked for me at Lockheed Martin, and what an incredibly amazing woman and hard worker she was! I was blessed to know her!*
Sharon Savage

sharon Savage - February 22, 2025 at 11:09 PM

KM

“ *Kerrie M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol Ann Clayton.*

Kerrie M. - September 03, 2024 at 09:22 AM

UL

“ Growing up with Carol was a wonderful experience. I can truthfully say that memories of her are precious to me. Through good times and bad times, she was always a testimony of the power that the Lord Jesus gives us.

I remember when we were in grade school, my Dad volunteered Carol and I to sing a duet in the church service. Reluctantly, we did that. While we were singing, I was so scared I thought the whole church was shaking. The song we sang was “Jesus and Me”. Part of that song talked about heaven and the words said, “Jesus is there”.

She often talked about wanting to see Jesus. The day that she passed away allowed us only to see the physical events that occurred. We could only see up to the grave but no further. But, if we could have seen what was really going on, we would have seen Heaven opened and the Lord Jesus standing with open arms telling Carol, “Welcome Home, my dear child”.

I will miss you, Carol, but I will see you again. My words to you now are, “Welcome Home, my precious sister!!!”

Uncle Lee - August 25, 2024 at 10:24 AM

DF

“ Daniel Freeman purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carol Ann Clayton.



Daniel Freeman - August 24, 2024 at 06:46 PM

TT

“ *The Tribbles purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Carol Ann Clayton.*



The Tribbles - August 24, 2024 at 02:36 PM

DA

“ *David & Amy purchased the Simply Elegant Spatiphyllum for the family of Carol Ann Clayton.*



David & Amy - August 24, 2024 at 12:58 PM

DF

“ *Aunt Carol was like a mother to myself, brother and sister. Being raised most of our life without a mother many hours were spent over at the Clayton's house with my cousins Tracy, Jimmy and Robin. One thing in particular I always remember was when we were young my father would go to Saturday night prayer meeting. He would always take us there to stay until he came back. It literally was a second home to us! The Thanksgiving dinners, were AWESOME although we always got stuck taking home the yams and sweet potatoes while my cousins who were bigger took the good stuff. 😊 I loved hearing her piano playing every time walking into church. I wish I could have told her how much she meant to me but didn't get that chance because of my own doing. One day though I will get that chance again. Lord bless all of the Clayton family in this time. I love you Aunt Carol*

David Freeman - August 24, 2024 at 12:43 PM

BH

“ Bryan and Teresa Hughett purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Carol Ann Clayton.



Bryan and Teresa Hughett - August 24, 2024 at 10:34 AM

LC

“ Love from, Cousins Carol & Chuck purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Carol Ann Clayton.



Love from, Cousins Carol & Chuck - August 24, 2024 at 09:38 AM

UL

“ Uncle Lee purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Carol Ann Clayton.



Uncle Lee - August 23, 2024 at 08:11 PM

UL

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CE

“ Our hearts go out to you, “Uncle” Jim, Tracy, and Robin! Carol and your family have been our dear friends for over 44 years. We have great memories of her sweet smile and playing the piano and violin. So many more memories not enough space to list. But one day, we will all be with her praising our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Charlie & Teresa Evans - August 23, 2024 at 02:34 PM