



Ava Marie Long

February 13, 1953 - September 12, 2014

Ava Marie Brooks-Long was born February 13, 1953 in Washington D.C. to the late Robert L. and Catherine E. Brooks. On Friday, September 12, 2014, Ava peacefully slipped into eternity.

Ava attended St. Philip's Episcopal Church in Aquasco, Maryland. When she moved to Richmond, Virginia she joined and was a very active member of North Gayton Baptist Church.

Ava grew up in Aquasco, Maryland, where she had a very happy childhood with her sisters and brothers. Ava was educated in Prince George's County Public School System and graduated from Gwynn Park High School in Brandywine, Maryland. She left Aquasco to fulfill her dream as an airline stewardess in Kansas City, Kansas. Ava decided to pursue further education and graduated from Massey Business College in Jacksonville, Florida. After completing her studies, she returned to Kansas and started her career in marketing at Sprint. She later transferred to Richmond, Virginia. She was then employed with Seif & Associates Medical Graphics/S&A Medical Graphics for over 20 years.

In 1975, Michael and Ava Long were united in marriage in Kansas City, Kansas. /from this union, they were blessed with two children-Monica and Patrick.

Ava was a active member of several organizations such as Child abuse

Prevention Center, Urban League League, ABWA (American Business Women Association), Raintree Association, Youth Ministry, Publications Ministry, Christians Arts Ministry, and several other church ministries. Whatever the need was in church Ava was there. She was a one-on-a-kind confidant to many. Ava's spirit and energy greeted everyone with a bright and loving smile. Whenever someone needed advice or a word of encouragement, she was always there, In fact, Ava was affectionately nicknamed "The Guru."

Her daughter, Monica, recalls her mother's mantra, "God, Family, and Holidays." Ava was always the one to organize all the family trips and outings. She initiated sisters holiday shopping activities, which happened each December. Ava even made sure they were shopping in style with matching shirts. Her most recent family trip was to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina at the end of July 2014. While on vacation, Ava always had scheduled activities, and events to keep everyone well entertained. Her real joy was interacting with her family and friends.

Ava leaves to cherish her memory two children Monica and Patrick; three grandchildren Michael, Christian and Gabrielle; her mother Catherine E. Brooks; two brothers R. Nolan Brooks(Beatrice) and Barron Brooks(Juanita);three sisters, Wanda Powell(Gene),Brenda Johnstone and Lelia Newman;mother-in-law Carry Long and sister-in-law JoAnn Stewart,Debra Long-Vaughn(Vernon),and T'Shanna Long-Young(Roy),Godmother Ruby Gross,God Children Deleaches Young,Gia Johnston,and Tara Newman and a host of nieces,nephews,other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

North Gayton Baptist Church
3244 Pump Road
Henrico, VA 23233

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ava Marie Long*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Patrick/Monica and family. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of bereavement. May you all find strength in God and may fond memories last forever and ever.*



Beverly Sims - September 19, 2014 at 12:00 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to read of your loss. I can't imagine the pain that you feel at this time. May the God of comfort be with you at this time and in times to come. He promises the hope of seeing our dead loved ones again. That promise is at John 5:28,29 and also Rev. 21:3,4.*

Sophie Strachan-Moreno - September 19, 2014 at 07:57 AM

RG

“ My deepest sympathy is extended to Ava's family and friends. Her graciousness, warm smile and vibrant spirit will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. May your many happy memories and faith in God sustain you during this difficult time of transition. You are in my thoughts and prayers.



*Rheba G. Gwaltney, Past President
Virginia Randolph Chapter,
American Business Women's Association
Richmond, VA*

Rheba Gwaltney - September 19, 2014 at 03:19 AM

BM

“ Bryan & Joni Mondy purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ava Marie Long.



Bryan & Joni Mondy - September 18, 2014 at 07:23 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ava Marie Long.



September 18, 2014 at 04:13 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ava Marie Long.*



September 18, 2014 at 10:21 AM



“ *My condolences goes out to the Long...Mrs Ava was a sweet person...To Patrick my God give you strength and peace during this hard time...
George and Sherrika Jones and Family...*

George and Sherrika Jones - September 18, 2014 at 09:43 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Ava Marie Long.*



September 18, 2014 at 05:24 AM



“ *Monica and Patrick, My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. I am so sorry for your loss. Ava and I have been friends for many years and she will be dearly missed. Beth Ellis, Olathe, KS*

Beth Ellis - September 17, 2014 at 08:23 PM

LJ

“ *Lyn & Bernard Taylor, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Ava Marie Long*



Lyn & Bernard Taylor, Jr. - September 17, 2014 at 04:14 PM

LM

“ *Linda Jones and Friends at USDA of Kansas City Mo. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Ava Marie Long.*



Linda Jones and Friends at USDA of Kansas City Mo. -
September 16, 2014 at 03:15 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - September 16, 2014 at 01:05 PM