



Carla Kim Turnage

January 10, 1957 - May 2, 2026

Carla Turnage, 69 of Glen Allen Virginia, was a remarkable human being. Blessed with a sharp intellect, a radiant personality, and a heart filled with grace and compassion, Carla lived a substantively meaningful life, leaving a legacy of service to family and friends.

As the child of a father who was in the military, Carla experienced the wonders of living in multiple states and receiving educational instruction through several school systems. These experiences deepened her appreciation for diverse cultures, while influencing her attitudes of tolerance and respect for other people – attributes that she would carry through her entire life.

Carla graduated from Hayfield High School in 1975 in Alexandria, Virginia. Upon her family's decision to return to Greensboro North Carolina, Carla enrolled in the historically black college of North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University where she would earn an undergraduate degree in psychology and a master's degree in counseling, while meeting the man who would one day become her husband, Wayne Turnage.

One year after completing her master's degree, Carla moved to New York City where she started a career as a substance abuse counselor at the famed Harlem Addiction and Treatment Center, while also becoming engaged to and then marrying Wayne. Carla's career choice reflected her desire to help her

clients – especially young women with children – free themselves from the life destroying addictions with which they struggled. As she and her husband moved from New York to Maryland, then Richmond Virginia, and finally her last place of employment, the District of Columbia, Carla furthered her career as an addiction treatment counselor, eventually becoming the director of several residential programs for people who were in recovery.

Notwithstanding her exceptional career, Carla's passion was raising her two children. Her love for Marcus and Kimberly was unconditionally deep and absolute. She believed strongly that the good that parents do for their children is never wasted. And if as a parent, you fail to properly nurture your children and subsequently lead them down the path of perdition, whatever else you happen to accomplish in life is without meaning. This sharp focus on properly raising her children, and her intrinsic attributes of kindness, a joyful spirit, and a servant heart defined her wonderful life and her quantum value as a human being.

Carla is preceded in death by her parents, Loretta and Master Gunnery Sergeant Robert Lee Jones. She leaves cherished memories to her loving husband, Wayne Turnage; daughter, Kimberly Turnage-Garland (Derrick), son, Marcus Turnage; sisters, Lorie Baker and Robin Montgomery; brother Robert "Todd" Jones, Jr.; sisters-in-law, Phyllis Turnage, Connie Turnage and Melissa Johnson (Larry, Jr.); nephews, Darrell Turnage, Jordan Turnage, Larry Johnson III, and Tyler Montgomery; devoted aunt, Deborah Mitchell (James), beloved cousins, Regina Duren and Earlene Wright (Julius); and a host of other relatives and friends.

Carla's funeral service will occur on Friday May 15th at 11am in Saint Paul's Baptist Church, 4247 Creighton Road, Richmond Virginia. The repast will immediately follow in the Church dining hall. In lieu of flowers, please consider sending online donations in memory of Carla Turnage to the Dementia Society

of America (www.DementiaSociety.org/donate), or to the Alzheimer's Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 14. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes
2110 E Laburnum Ave
Richmond, VA 23222-2413
(804) 321-4200

Omega Omega Service - Richmond Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

MAY 14. 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
(804) 321-4200
info@marchfh.com
<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Funeral Service

MAY 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Pauls Baptist Church- Creighton Road
4247 Creighton Rd
Richmond, VA 23223

Live-streaming Link: <https://control.resi.io/webplayer/video.html?id=1383d9a0-6330-4171-a0a5-e35546337a1e>

Tribute Wall

MD

“ *To Wayne and the family. My deepest condolences*

Michael Debroux - May 15 at 12:20 PM

TM

“ *To Wayne and the Family,
We were deeply saddened to hear about the passing of your
beloved wife. May the special memories you both made together
help you through this difficult time 🙏*

*Sincerely,
Thomas & Donna Mitchell*

Thomas Mitchell - May 15 at 09:03 AM

SF

“ *R.I.P
Sasha Foster*



Sasha L Foster - May 15 at 12:11 AM

WL

“ To Wayne, Marcus, Kimberly and family, please accept my heartfelt and sincere sympathy during this time of loss. Carla lived a wonderful, productive and meaningful life. I'm sure all who knew her appreciated sharing space in this world along side her. May God grant you all grace, comfort and peace in knowing this. This is a difficult time so I pray God shows you His love through the care and support of family and friends who love you. God is faithful and will provide all of your needs❤️
Wanda Fleming Lee



Wanda Fleming Lee - May 14 at 07:44 PM

DH

“ Please accept our deepest condolences on the passing of your wife. We know you spent the last few years caring for her with love, patience, and devotion, and we are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

You have always shown kindness and support to others, and we hope you will allow us to return that same care to you. As you move through this season, please know that you are not alone. We are here for you in any way we can be.

David, Aubrey and CIS Family!

David Hawkins - May 14 at 05:18 PM

FS

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the Turnage family.*

I will remember Carla for her radiant smile and the quiet kindness she gave so freely. I am grateful for the time we shared as sorority sisters. May her memory bring comfort, and may we carry her compassion forward each day.

With prayers and sympathy,

Fran Joyner Shepherd

Fran Joyner Shepherd - May 14 at 02:17 PM

FB

“ *From Your Aggie Brothers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.*



From Your Aggie Brothers - May 13 at 03:55 PM

TF

“ *Tremauri Ebron & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.*



Tremauri Ebron & Family - May 13 at 09:26 AM

IC

“ Ian Paregol & The DC Coalition purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.



Ian Paregol & The DC Coalition - May 12 at 03:49 PM

IC

“ Ian Paregol & The DC Coalition planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carla Kim Turnage.

Ian Paregol & The DC Coalition - May 12 at 03:49 PM

WH

“ Dear Wayne and Family: From all of us at Woodley House, we are heartbroken to learn of Carla's passing. She contributed so much to her family, her community, and to the District of Columbia, especially in dedicating her professional life to helping many of our most vulnerable neighbors. We hope you find strength in remembering Carla and celebrating her life very well-lived.

*In deepest sympathy,
Ann Chauvin and the Woodley House team*

Woodley House - May 12 at 12:20 PM

SW

“ Sending my sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mrs. Carla Kim Turnage.
Sincerely, Dr. Samaria Washington, LNHA.



Samaria Washington - May 12 at 11:47 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.*



May 11 at 12:24 PM



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May 11 at 12:24 PM



“ *Heartfelt condolences to the Turnage family in the transitioning of your beloved Carla. Carla and I were classmates and sorority sisters (Alpha Mu Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated), at NCA&TSU. She was a beautiful young lady with a beautiful spirit about her and I will remember her fondly. I pray that the peace of the Lord be with you all as you celebrate her life.*

Marilyn Johnson - May 11 at 11:21 AM



Please reach out to dstrichmond1937@gmail.com

Bernita Williams - May 11 at 09:01 PM

CW

“ To Wayne Turnage & Family. My heartfelt condolences to you and your family at the loss of your beloved Carla. Although I cannot be there in person to celebrate the life of Carla, please know that my spirit is will be there celebrating her life with you. My prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. I asked the Lord to give you all strength and comfort. God bless you all! Respectfully, Carmelita White



Carmelita White - May 11 at 09:20 AM

MM

“ Mina Yacoub, MD purchased the Heaven's Comfort for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.



Mina Yacoub, MD - May 10 at 11:57 AM

DG

“ Dawn and Vince Gray purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.



Dawn and Vince Gray - May 09 at 09:30 PM

DG

“ Dawn and Vince Gray planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carla Kim Turnage.

Dawn and Vince Gray - May 09 at 09:30 PM

AT

“ April Turnage lit a candle in memory of Carla
Kim Turnage



April Turnage - May 09 at 11:43 AM

AT

As Carla's daughter-in-law for the past 13 years, I feel so blessed for the times we shared. Her kindness was one of a kind and will never be forgotten. I've always been so grateful for how she embraced me with such a generous heart. It means so much to me that she always made me feel welcomed and loved. She had a beautiful way of making people feel right at home.

I will always cherish memories of her radiance. She was so warm, welcoming, and fun, with a laugh that seemed to bubble up from a place of pure joy. She was an effortlessly radiant presence, and I am honored to have known her.

Carla was an incredible person with an amazing spirit that touched so many lives. She was loved by so many and will be greatly missed.

Keeping the whole family in my prayers during this difficult time.

Sending all my love and prayers, April

April Turnage - May 09 at 11:45 AM

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April Turnage - May 09 at 11:35 AM

EM

My condolences to the family of Carla. I attended college with her in graduate school. I remember meeting her sister Robin and her husband. Carla was on my mind during these past few days. I decided to Google her to see what was going on and sadly that's when I found out that as t she had passed. With a heavy heart I will missed her friendship and kindness.

Evelyn Massey

Evelyn Massey - May 12 at 09:58 AM

LF

“ Love the Newton & Bowen family's. purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Carla Kim Turnage.



Love the Newton & Bowen family's. - May 07 at 02:58 PM

LF

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Love the Newton & Bowen family's. - May 07 at 02:58 PM

PF

“ Patricia Ford lit a candle in memory of Carla Kim Turnage



Patricia Ford - May 07 at 10:44 AM

PF

Carla was a joy to befriend and her lovely smile and presence surrounded the room and everyone thereby. She will forever live in our hearts, minds and souls sustaining her spirit to continue to guide us all as God forges us toward His Kingdom where we shall all meet again. Crown well deserved Carla! Aggie Pride, World Wide! Keep the faith! Trust in the Lord, God is always near to us. Peace, Comfort, Love, Healing and Joy as we Celebrate Carla and her beautiful family .May Heaven shine down upon us all. "Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God Matthew 5:8" Patricia Ford

Patricia Ford - May 07 at 11:00 AM

CO

“ *To the Family,*

There are no words that feel big enough to hold a loss like this, but I want you to know how deeply loved she was by all of us who were lucky enough to know her. She had a light that touched everyone around her, and that light lives on.

To Wayne, may you feel her love in every memory you built together and in every quiet moment that still belongs to the two of you.

To Marcus and Kimberly, you carry her spirit in your laughter, your strength, and the beautiful ways you move through the world. She will always be a part of you.

To Todd, Lori, and Robin, the bond you shared is timeless, and her love will forever be woven into who you are.

And as a proud daughter of North Carolina A&T State University, her legacy carries the spirit of strength, excellence, and enduring pride—forever an Aggie, forever shining, forever loved. Aggie Pride



Coretta Montague- Jamestown, NC

Coretta - May 06 at 02:52 PM

YB

“ *The Turnage Family, wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart. Believe, knowing Carla is embraced in God’s arms, at peace watching over you.*

Terry & Yoshida Bartley

Yoshida Bartley - May 05 at 02:47 PM

TS

“ *Today We Honor our Lost Cousin Carla. Let this candle glow bright for all the cousins who left us far too soon. You will never be forgotten. Love your Baltimore Family*

Tammy Savage - May 05 at 09:54 AM

ET

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Wayne during this very difficult time. Psalm 34:18 says – “the Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. There is no more suffering, and you were always there for Carla throughout her illness. Please know that we are always here for you.*

Elwood and Sandra Thomas

Elwood Thomas - May 04 at 08:59 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 - May 04 at 05:42 PM