



## Carolyn Adkins Lewis

August 20, 1948 - February 19, 2025

Carolyn Adkins Lewis was born on August 20, 1948 in Charles City County, Virginia the oldest of nine children. She passed away on February 19, 2025, at her home in Henrico, Virginia. She was a woman of faith, having joined the church at the young age of nine, and carried that faith with her throughout her life.

For 30 years, Carolyn was a dedicated and hard working employee at Philip Morris, where she served as a Lab Technician. Her commitment to excellence was evident in everything she did.

Carolyn had a passion for traveling, particularly cruising, even though she always developed nausea at sea. Her favorite destination was Las Vegas, where she and her beloved husband, William, traveled two to three times a year. She also found joy in bowling and had all the gear — her own bag, ball, and duster — despite those who knew her, knew she “couldn’t bowl a lick.” She loved dancing and listening to music. Carolyn also enjoyed singing and was a member of the George Smith Memorial Choir, Mt. Olive Baptist Church Combined Choir, and the Emmanuel Worship Center Choir. In her spare time, she liked the quiet moments tending to her garden.

An excellent cook, Carolyn’s potato salad and collard greens were legendary at family gatherings, always leaving loved ones craving more. A true

fashionista, she was always impeccably dressed, exuding elegance and confidence. Known for her stern perfectionism and strict parenting, Carolyn was also caring, generous, and had a wonderful sense of humor. She cherished her family deeply and was always ready to lend a helping hand when needed.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents, Jane and Cornelius Adkins II; her stepson, William Cobb Sr.; brothers, Cornelius Adkins III, Gary Adkins, and Leon Adkins; and sister, Jane Adkins. She leaves behind a legacy of love and cherished memories with her devoted husband, William Lewis; her adoring daughter, Rhonda Adkins; stepdaughter, Brenda Lewis-Cuff (Dwayne Sr.); grandchildren, Chelsea Staples, William Cobb Jr., Eric Cuff (Alexis Brown), Kadijah Sharpe, and Dwayne Cuff Jr.; three sisters, Gloria Williams (LeRoy), Mautene Adkins and Judy Adkins; brother, William Adkins Sr.; two sisters-in-law, Rev. Janie Jones and Vinnndray Hearn; one brother-in-law, LeRoy Williams; best friends, Otherine Burgess, Bertha Riley, Deborah Conway and Ruth Giles; as well as a host of other relatives, family, and friends who will miss her dearly.

Carolyn's love, beautiful smile, and unwavering presence will forever be remembered by those who were blessed to know her. May she rest in peace.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **25**. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Funeral Service

FEB **26**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

March Funeral Homes - February 26, 2025 at 01:12 PM



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis*



March Funeral Homes - February 21, 2025 at 02:38 PM

HA

“ *Henry Artis lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis*



henry Artis - February 26, 2025 at 12:43 PM

ZH

“ *To Mautene and the Lewis family. We are praying for everyone. She is resting in Heaven.*

*Zina Hicks and family*



Zina D Hicks - February 26, 2025 at 12:35 AM

PW

“ *My deepest Sympathy is extended to the family in the passing of your love one. May God's love surround the family with His Love and His promises to uphold each of you.*

**Pearlie G. Williams** - February 25, 2025 at 10:14 PM

PG

“ *Pamela Ghee lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis*



**Pamela Ghee** - February 25, 2025 at 07:50 PM

R1

“ *Ruthville High School Class of 1967 purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Carolyn Adkins Lewis.*



**Ruthville High School Class of 1967** - February 25, 2025 at 06:02 PM

JW

“ *Sorry to hear about your Mother passing. May Carloyn rest in Peace.*  
*Jerry Wiley*

**Jerry Wiley** - February 25, 2025 at 03:48 PM

TF

“ To Rhonda & the family,  
I was saddened to hear about the passing of your mom. She's now resting with our Heavenly Father along with my sister Joyce. May God comfort you in the days ahead.  
With sympathy,  
Terry Hackney Fuller

Terry H. Fuller - February 24, 2025 at 06:24 PM

CG

“ Charles & Alice Garnett lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis



Charles & Alice Garnett - February 24, 2025 at 04:00 PM

DF

“ I was saddened to hear of Carolyn's home going. Carolyn and I sang together in the George Smith Choir at Mt. Olive Baptist Church on Bells Road. She was such a sweet spirit and she loved her daughter, Rhonda. My prayers are with you, Rhonda and your family. God has her safely in His arms and she is free of any pain and suffering. Stay strong because those same arms are there for you and your family as well. Much love, Deacon Audrey Flowers

Deacon Audrey Flowers - February 24, 2025 at 02:05 PM

DW

My deepest condolences to the family.

Doris B West - February 24, 2025 at 06:16 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Christian lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis*



**Lisa Christian** - February 24, 2025 at 12:31 AM

DA

“ *Debra Akrie lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis*



**Debra Akrie** - February 23, 2025 at 05:01 PM

CA

“ *Gloria, Lewis and Adkins family, I am sorry to read about the passing of Carolyn. May the family be comforted. It's been a many years since I last saw any of y'all (probably when my aunt, Viola was funeralized at New Vine).*



**Cynthia Graham Aaron** - February 23, 2025 at 05:46 AM

HM

“ *Herman & Sara Miles lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis*



**Herman & Sara Miles** - February 22, 2025 at 04:34 PM

LM

“ Lolita S Moses lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Adkins Lewis



Lolita S Moses - February 22, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ 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 - February 21, 2025 at 02:31 PM

IM

Ronda: I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. My condolences goes out to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. May God be with each one of you at this time. Love and thinking of you. Iris Moss

Iris Moss - February 25, 2025 at 01:58 PM

DJ

Butch and Ronda so sorry for the passing of Carolyn. Praying for the family knowing that she is resting now and the memories of her will forever be with you.

Delores Johnson - February 25, 2025 at 03:55 PM

GB

I am sorry to hear of my cousin Carolyn's passing. Praying for comfort and peace for the family. Gloria Harris Boone

Gloria Boone - February 26, 2025 at 12:25 PM