



Christine Wyche Ford

March 4, 1923 - September 19, 2016

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She was united in marriage to the late Mallory Gilliam Ford and together, they reared four daughters and one granddaughter.

Education was very important in the Ford household. The question was never whether you were going to college, but where. Christine and Mallory ensured their girls were given the opportunity to further their education and they did. The Petersburg Chapter of Virginia State University Alumni Association recognized her passion for education, by awarding her with the Solomon's Wisdom Award; an award that honors individuals whose children graduated college, but who were unable to attend themselves.

Christine worked as a school bus driver and cafeteria worker in Sussex County Public Schools until retirement.

She was active in various ministries at Jerusalem Baptist Church until moving to Richmond to live with her daughter Gladys. She regularly attended Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church in Sandston, VA, but maintained her membership at her beloved Jerusalem where she attended as often as possible until her health declined. She was an avid reader of the bible and loved the Lord.

She was a member of Jarratt Chapter #185, Order of Eastern Star. Her passions were fishing, cooking and flower gardening. She was well known far and wide for her pound cakes, sweet potato pies, and chicken muddle, which she loved to share with family and friends.

Her daughter, Vivian Louise Ford preceded her in death. She is survived by her daughters, Pauline Ford Sharper (Harry) of Glen Allen, VA, Gladys Lucille Ford of Richmond, VA, Charlotte Ford Patterson of Glen Allen, VA and Tracie Mabelle Ford Evans (Lyle) of Chesterfield, VA; grandchildren, Monica Sharper-Brown (Shawn), Jamie, Darren, Lauren, Bryan and Todd; great-grandchildren, Amara, Jordan, Jaylon, Daylen, Brooklynn, and Noah; sisters, Ella Mae Powell of Philadelphia, PA and Betty Louise Tucker (Harold) of Dinwiddie, VA; brothers, Nathaniel Wyche of Baltimore, MD and James Lawrence Wyche (Ruby) of Palm Coast, FL; four sisters-in-law, Barbara Jones Wyche of Jarratt, VA, Lunette Ford of Newark, NJ, Carrie Wyche of Jarratt, VA and Jean Wyche of Detroit, MI; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Obituary

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Cemetery Details

Jerusalem Baptist Church Cemetery

Jarratt, VA 23867

Previous Events

Public Viewing

SEP 23. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

SEP 23. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

SEP 24. 12:00 PM (ET)

Jerusalem Baptist Church
12492 Kientz Road
Jarratt, VA 23867

Tribute Wall



“ *Christine Wyche Ford*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I wa sorry to of Ms. Christine's passing! Beautiful soul inside and out! The family has my deepest condolences and love! 🙏❤️*

brenda hicks - September 25, 2016 at 05:45 PM



“ *With my deepest condolences to the family of Christine Ford. May the Almighty, the God of tender mercies, and of all comfort, who comforts us in all our trials,(2Cor. 1:3,4) comfort you and your family in this time of need.*

Barnes - September 24, 2016 at 05:28 PM



“ *I can see you sitting in your kitchen , your sweet face kind voice and precious hug.
I so enjoyed talking to you and oh the smells coming up the steps as I made my way down . I will miss you mother Ford . Rest in peace with the other angels and one day we will see one another again.*

Regina Simmons Chambers

Regina S. Chambers - September 24, 2016 at 06:07 AM

PG

“ My deepest sympathy goes to the family of Mrs. Christine Wyche Ford (Miss Christine) as I grew up calling her. She was a sweet and wonderful person, who was an icon to the community. Miss Christine was the mother of one of my best girlfriends (Charlotte), and my school bus driver. The only thing that I can say is that my heart truly goes out to you, and remember to "Cast all your cares unto God, for He cares for you", and to hold on to those memories, they will see you through. May God bless each of you.



Patricia Graham
Owings Mills, MD

Patricia Graham - September 23, 2016 at 08:04 PM

LG

“ Sending our heartfelt sympathy and deepest condolences to the family. We will continue to keep everyone in our prayers. Mr. & Mrs. Joe Green and family

Letitia Green - September 23, 2016 at 02:51 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Christine Wyche Ford.



September 23, 2016 at 10:08 AM

JJ

“ *Joan Greene Jackson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Christine Wyche Ford.*



Joan Greene Jackson - September 23, 2016 at 09:45 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Christine Wyche Ford.*



September 22, 2016 at 10:40 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Christine Wyche Ford.*



September 22, 2016 at 02:26 PM

DA

“ *Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in the loss of loved one . May the fond memories shared and resurrection hope Jesus spoke of in the Bible at John 5 28,29 be a source of comfort doing this time of grief and pain .*

D Allen - September 21, 2016 at 05:01 PM

LM

“ *Linda Moore lit a candle in memory of Christine Wyche Ford*



Linda Moore - September 21, 2016 at 04:36 PM

LM

“ *Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, Love leaves a memory no one can steal.*
My sisters, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dear mother. As a neighbor and close family friend I will never forget the kindness and love she showed me from childhood to adulthood. I loved her very much and I love you too.

Linda Moore - September 21, 2016 at 04:33 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 21, 2016 at 01:09 PM