



## Emma W. Anderson

August 6, 1950 - March 25, 2022

### LIFE REFLECTIONS OF EMMA JEAN

Emma Jean White Anderson was born on August 6, 1950, in Cumberland County, Virginia. Emma was the only child of Estelle White and was nurtured in a tight-knit loving family circle of aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was her grandmother's namesake and growing up, there would always be lots of people and good times in the family's house. Emma stayed close to home and to her mom and loving aunts: Mary, Pearl, Margaret, Annie, Elsie, and her uncle, John. The family moved to Richmond, Virginia when she was very young, where she matriculated through the Richmond Public school system, graduating from Armstrong High School.

Emma was baptized by the late Reverend John Bishop Gordon and joined the Bethlehem Baptist Church congregation where she worshipped for over 50 years. Around 1966 she met a young very handsome fella with a twinkle in his eye for her. She never imagined that she would go on to share a love of fifty-seven years with the boy from Oakwood Avenue.

On December 8, 1969, she married Herbert "Flick" Anderson and became part of an even bigger family circle. They were together for so long that they became referred to as one person, "Emma and Flick." God orchestrated the very best for Emma with Flick, and even though they seemed opposite; she

was fiery and he was cool, they were truly a match made by heaven.

In 1971, she went to work for the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond. She worked at the Federal Reserve for over 30 years until she retired. She made many life-long friends at the Fed and kept in close contact with them over the years after retirement .

As a young couple, Emma and Flick set out to build a beautiful life and legacy together. Their first-born daughter, Angela Roxanne, whom she called "Rock" because of her strength, calmness, and steady presence, was Emma's go-to girl to get things done. Next, her firecracker, Latonia Yomi, came along, whom she called her Boo. Latonia carried her feistiness, wittiness, and resilience. Latonia always kept her in some type of shenanigan, and she loved getting in the car and just riding out with her Boo. The family of five was complete with Kenya Lashawn, who was her baby girl, her soft spot, and her sidekick. Wherever you saw Emma, her baby girl Kenya was always right beside her. Kenya possessed her mom's beauty and flair for style. Emma always wanted Kenya to do her hair and makeup, and doll her up. Each of Emma's daughters embodies some aspect of her. They are a reflection of their mother, who was strong and beautiful, feisty and witty, and a woman who could get things done. They are truly Emma's girls.

Emma loved her husband and adored her girls. She unapologetically spoiled them. She made a "Proverbs 31" home for her family and worked to make sure they all enjoyed a beautiful life. Among everything she gave her girls, the most valued gift she and Flick blessed them with was an education, debt-free.

Emma had a missionary's heart. She began her work as a missionary as a teen and would continue missionary work at Bethlehem where she helped to establish the Royal Ambassador and Girls in Action (RA/GA) Youth missionary program along with Deacon Stanley Brown, the late Dr. Victor L. Davis, and

the Richmond Baptist Association. She worked passionately with the RA/GA program, conducting youth bible study, planning missionary activities for the kids, and orchestrating trips across the state to play in basketball tournaments. Through her work with the RA/ GA program, the residue of Aunt Emma's hand remains in the life of many people who grew up in Bethlehem. Emma most recently served as President of the Ladies Auxiliary Usher Board #1 and she was a faithful member of the Tuesday Night Women's Bible Study Class. Emma was delighted to be a member of the Richmond Royals chapter of the Red Hat Society, known as the Red Hatters. She loved the fellowship and fun among the Richmond Royals Red Hatters and faithfully served as the group's treasurer. She was the prettiest Red Hatter to be seen whenever she adorned a beautiful red hat and with her red and purple.

Emma was called by many affectionate and endearing names: " Emma Jean, " "Jeanie," "Mooch," "China Doll," "Em," "Aunt Emma," "Mommy Emma, " and Miss Emma. The name that was most befitting of Emma was simply " momma. "She was great at being a momma! Even before having children of her own, Emma was a momma to her cousins, who she watched over and kept.

After raising her girls, she was blessed with the absolute apple of her eye, Anastasia, who landed in her Aunt Emma's arms one Sunday morning at church. From that moment, they never let go of one another. When Anastasia became too big for her Aunt Emma's infamous rock, along came Jasey Girl. Jase was her Mommy Emm a 's bestie. Jase and Mommy Emma were always up to something and shared a very special bond.

If you knew Emma well, you knew that she liked a cold Pepsi and a neat home. She loved to talk with people and could start a conversation with anyone. She looked forward to going to the Hampton Jazz Festival every

summer and connecting with friends from out of town. She enjoyed talking more than walking with the ladies in her walking group at the track. She especially enjoyed her weekly phone conversations with her oldest niece and her cousin in Waynesboro.

Emma's life was a life well-lived. On March 25, 2022, she labored into rest. She leaves s to cherish her memory, her husband of 53 years, Herbert M. Anderson, and daughters, Angela, Latonia, and Kenya Anderson; her devoted cousin, Lena Burrell, cherished niece Anastasia Rain Daniels, and favorite girl, Jase Mayo; sisters and brothers-in-law, Doris Stokes, Reginald Anderson, Gwendolyn, and Ethan Pitts, Lewis Anderson, and witty and a woman who could get things done. They are truly Emma's girls. Constance Anderson, Lois Anderson, and Bernice L. Anderson; godchildren, Tracee Jones and Michael James; a host of beloved nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends, among them, cousins Henry Ford, Evon Simmons, and Tracey James; and faithful neighbors, William and Candice Payne and Tonya Hester.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

APR 1. 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Family Hour

APR 1. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Celebration of Life

APR 2. 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
1920 Fairmount Ave  
Richmond, VA



# Tribute Wall



“ *Emma W. Anderson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To the family of miss Emma. I am so sorry to hear about the loss of her. Miss Emma was a sweet kind caring classy lady.i worked beside her during the richmond basketball church league for many years. Praying for strength and comfort for the days ahead. She was a true disciple of christ.*

**Chris jefferson. Samaria church.** - April 18, 2022 at 11:49 AM



“ *Sending Prayers Of Condolences, Strength and Comfort To The Anderson Family!! 🙏🙏*  
*Rosa Lewis and Family*



**Rosa Lewis** - April 02, 2022 at 11:51 AM



“ *Sending prayers and my heartfelt condolences to the Anderson family during this difficult time. Emma will be missed.*



**Alma Campbell Gates** - April 02, 2022 at 09:35 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Family*

Belinda Brockenbrough - April 01, 2022 at 07:07 PM



“ *The Anderson Family:  
Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers as you mourn the loss of your loved one. May the legacy of her love for family, friends, and humanity continue to comfort you in the coming days, months, and years ahead.*

*Ivory & Barbara Scott*

Ivory C. Scott Sr. - April 01, 2022 at 04:49 PM



“ *May God continue to comfort the family at this time.*

Gloria Reid - April 01, 2022 at 03:03 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Emma W. Anderson.*

April 01, 2022 at 12:28 PM



SH

“ Soror Latonia and Anderson family, praying for your strength and hoping for peace in knowing your Mom is resting with the Lord. Sending love and light. Blessings!

Shana - April 01, 2022 at 12:00 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Emma W. Anderson.



April 01, 2022 at 08:42 AM

ME

“ Remembering Mrs. Anderson's loving spirit, warm hugs, and words of wisdom. Thankful for these blessed and beautiful memories. Latonia, Angie, Kenya, and Mr. Anderson, we are praying for your strength and peace in the Lord in the days ahead. We love you all.



Melanie - March 31, 2022 at 11:59 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Emma W. Anderson.



March 31, 2022 at 09:04 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Emma W. Anderson.*



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March 31, 2022 at 04:49 PM



“ *Please let me know the cost of the fliers. The card should read:*

*The love and support your mother gave to others is reflected in the 3 beautiful daughters that she raised. Mr. Anderson, Angie, Latonia, and Kenya - my thoughts are with you at this time.  
Love, Crystal Clark and George (GW)*



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**Crystal** - March 31, 2022 at 04:36 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Emma W. Anderson.*



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March 31, 2022 at 03:36 PM

BM

“ *Bridget, Bria, and Saraya Mosley purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Emma W. Anderson.*



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**Bridget, Bria, and Saraya Mosley** - March 31, 2022 at 02:13 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Emma W. Anderson.*



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March 31, 2022 at 10:01 AM

FF

“ *Faithea Flowers Foster lit a candle in memory of Emma W. Anderson*



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**Faithea Flowers Foster** - March 30, 2022 at 09:43 PM

TA

“ *Sending my thoughts and prayers to the Anderson family.*



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**tanisha atkinson** - March 30, 2022 at 06:30 PM

DW

*Please accept our deepest sympathy for your loss. We pray God's peace for you and that you be comforted by the wonderful memories you have. Love you!*  
*Dionne and Herb*

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**Dionne Ward** - April 01, 2022 at 01:46 PM

SP

“ *Shonda Pulley lit a candle in memory of Emma W. Anderson*



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**Shonda Pulley** - March 30, 2022 at 03:33 PM

VJ

“ *Vicki Jones lit a candle in memory of Emma W. Anderson*



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**Vicki Jones** - March 30, 2022 at 02:17 PM

VJ

*Oh how I remember when I first joined Bethlehem and you convinced me to join WMU. I avoided you for a couple of weeks, but quests who came to my house? None other than Emma Anderson!! My deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of “Aunt Emma” May you find peace during this time. May you find joy in knowing That Emma is now wearing her golden crown standing at the gates ushering others in. Never lose your faith. You will see her again! I pray you know the warmth of the thoughts that are with you and the peace of the prayers that surround you.*

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**Vicki Jones** - April 01, 2022 at 05:16 AM

VJ

“ Vicki Jones lit a candle in memory of Emma W. Anderson



Vicki Jones - March 30, 2022 at 02:15 PM

VR

“ Virgie Randall lit a candle in memory of Emma W. Anderson



Virgie Randall - March 30, 2022 at 12:56 PM

VR

To the ANDERSON FAMILY, you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Virgie Randall - March 30, 2022 at 01:02 PM

WH

“ To the Anderson Family, we will truly miss Ms. Emma. She was such a shining light and a beloved friend. May God bring you peace and comfort during this time. With Love Winfred and Sherry Hayes and Family

Winfred Hayes - March 30, 2022 at 11:55 AM

AB

“ To Anderson Family

*My heart goes out to you all in the passing of your love one. I will truly miss my lady in bible study class she was truly a light and always have jokes. I will be praying for your healing and to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord she has her crown in glory.*



*Annette Braxton  
Family*

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**Annette Braxton** - March 30, 2022 at 10:40 AM

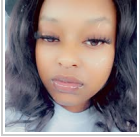
GL

“ To my friend Kenya. A mother's love lives forever and it can never be replaced. I pray that you will find strength in the wonderful memories you shared together. You will always have stories to tell that will make you smile or even laugh out loud about your mom. Ms. Emma, what a beautiful name. I pray that the family will trust and lean on God during this time of sorrow and he will bring you through. Kenya, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

*Much love,  
Gloria*

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**Gloria** - March 30, 2022 at 08:34 AM



“ To my church family I am saddened to hear about the loss of such a sweet lady. W will always remember her smile and kind heart. Praying for comfort for Flick, Tonya, Kenya and Angela. May god bless you all.....

*Patrice Tucker*

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**Patrice Tucker** - March 29, 2022 at 11:09 PM

KW

“ To the family of Ms. Emma:  
Ms. Emma was a true light to the Richmond Royals Red Hat Society. I will miss her straight talk, humorous commentary and all around good hearted friendship. Praying for your comfort as you go thru these days of saying goodbye until her memory brings laughter and smiles.

*Kamala Wilson and (Delores Ann Couch of blessed memory)*

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**Kamala Wilson** - March 29, 2022 at 05:04 PM

RH

“ Flick and Family, So sorry to hear of the passing of Sis. Emma, she was loving and compassionate person, always willing to serve others, and firm in her commitment; thanking God for her. Love and Prayers, Bro.

*Robertnut Henderson and the Henderson Family*



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**Robert Henderson** - March 29, 2022 at 03:45 PM

HF

“ Sending heartfelt condolences to Mr. Herbert "Uncle Flick", Kenya, LaTonia, & Angela Anderson. Aunt Emma will be remembered as a beautiful and strong woman who truly cared for others. Your family is always in our prayers and hearts.

*Love, Calvin, Tracey & Crystal Harvey*

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**Harvey Family** - March 29, 2022 at 03:13 PM



*To Flick and his beautiful girls. Our sincere condolences. I still can't believe it but accept God's will. Greg and I will keep you lifted to God for strength and comfort.*

*Love, Greg & Vickie Jones*

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**Vickie Moseley-Jones** - March 29, 2022 at 09:25 PM

CP

“ To the Family & Friends of Emma Jean Anderson,

*Express our deepest sympathies for the loss of your loved one. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all during this time of loss and bereavement. Pray that God will help to ease your pain in the days to come. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal. God be with you all now and forever.*

*The Patterson's Family*

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**Carolyn Patterson** - March 29, 2022 at 02:05 PM



AG

“ *Sending my heartfelt condolences and prayers to the Anderson family during this difficult time.*



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**Alma Campbell Gates** - March 29, 2022 at 01:35 PM

FC

“ *Aunt Emma is with us always first in her lifetime then forever in our memories. James and Frances Chatman / Family*



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**Frances Chatman** - March 29, 2022 at 09:41 AM

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“ *To the Anderson Family, we love you and our prayers of comfort , support, and kindness surround you. The Armstrong High School Class of 1966.*

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**1966 Class of Armstrong High School RVA** - March 29, 2022 at 07:53 AM

PM

*To Herbert and daughters, a Heavenly Homecoming for my friend Emma. I love you all and I'm here with prayers and support always. ❤️*



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**Peatrice Meyers** - March 29, 2022 at 01:55 PM

LC

“ *Luv Daphne, Tenny, Cordell, Nelly, Cordrell purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Emma W. Anderson.*



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**Luv Daphne, Tenny, Cordell, Nelly, Cordrell** - March 28, 2022 at 04:09 PM

JS

“ *Flick and family,  
Please accept my condolence in the loss of Emma. She was such a beautiful soul, filled with kindness. Hold your many years of memories close. GOD's love will sustain you..  
Joy Smith*



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**Joy Smith** - March 28, 2022 at 10:01 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - March 27, 2022 at 06:40 PM