



Katherine Ann Claiborne

May 13, 1943 - October 6, 2025

Katherine Ann Claiborne departed this on Monday, October 6, 2025, at Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital in Richmond, Virginia. Katherine was born on May 13, 1943, in Richmond, to the late Emmery Louis Claiborne and Dollie Jones Claiborne.

She was educated in the public schools of Richmond, graduating from Maggie L. Walker High School. Her Bachelor's degree was earned at Virginia Union University in Richmond. Her Master's degree earned from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

At an early age, Katherine accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior.

She was baptized at Mosby Memorial Baptist Church. She sang in the Children's Choir and participated in the Baptist Training Union.

Katherine was very fashion conscious. She always made sure that she looked her very best, especially if she was going out. She loved to shop and spent much money and time going to different stores trying to get the best deal. She usually ended up making the purchase at the first store.

Katherine was a teacher at: A.V. Norrell Elementary School, Oakgrove Elementary School, and Westover Hills Elementary School (Reading Tutor).

She retired after after 30 years of service.

Katherine was a member of several organizations. They include American Association of Retired People, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (AKA Chorale and Golden Soror), Mosby Memorial Baptist Church, Pi Lambda Theta (National Honor and Professional Association) (Teen Scene Mentor), Richmond Education Association, Richmond Retired Teachers Association, Virginia Education Association, and Virginia Union University Alumni Association.

During her illness, she was cared for by a dream team of angels sent from Heaven: Tress Carroll, Mary Carter, Dunhree Davis, Tonia Gilmer, Julia Johnson, Angalyn Jones, Roxie Smith, Peggy Snead, Lena Trotter, and Dr. Victoria Tucker (Medical Advocate).

Katherine will be lovingly missed by her devoted sister, Dollie Claiborne Wright; her best friend of over 50 years, Earlene Evans (Alga); an aunt, cousins, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT 17. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mosby Memorial Baptist Church
2901 Mechanicsville Turnpike
Richmond, VA 23223

Celebration of Life

OCT 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AR

“ *Ms Katherine was very much so loved. Every time she came home I looked forward to seeing her beautiful smile. She was a jewel . Love Ardeen*

Ardeen Rhock - October 20, 2025 at 08:31 AM

HL

“ *Sincere condolences to the family and friends.*



Helene Hinton Lovell - October 16, 2025 at 07:49 PM

SB

“ *Suzanne Burton lit a candle in memory of Katherine Ann Claiborne*



Suzanne Burton - October 14, 2025 at 02:16 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 - October 10, 2025 at 01:40 PM

LB

Prayers and condolences to the family and friends 🙏

Lillian Bowden - October 13, 2025 at 01:43 PM

BH

My sympathy goes out to Ms. Claiborne's family during their time of bereavement. I enjoyed our conversations about Amelia and friends that we shared. She was a beautiful person. Bessie Hawkes

Bessie Hawkes - October 13, 2025 at 09:30 PM

PB

My heart is broken. I miss her so much. Katherine was my Dear friend for over 60 years. Rest in peace my Dear.

Phyllis Brown - October 17, 2025 at 08:05 AM