



Lucille Tyler

February 7, 1920 - July 15, 2025

Lucille Tyler of Gwynn Oak, Maryland, departed this life peacefully in her sleep on July 15, 2025.

Born to Isaiah & Eva (nee Mack) Brunson on February 7, 1920, Lucille was the firstborn of 7 children and attended public school in a one-room schoolhouse in Manning (Clarendon County), South Carolina.

In December 1939, she married Robert James Johnson and welcomed a daughter, Carolyn. In 1941, the family moved to Maryland and in 1942 welcomed a second child, Ernestine. Although their union would not endure, Lucille remained steadfast in her devotion to her children and found spiritual nourishment at Enon Baptist Church. Through faith and perseverance, she realized the dream of becoming a homeowner and bought a house for her family on Windsor Ave.

In May of 1976, Lucille wed Calvin Tyler. Inseparable, they spent their retirement years with family and friends, and indulging their love of travel with several trips and cruises. A devoted Christian, Enon Baptist Church honored Lucille's 75 years of service as being among its longest serving congregation members. Lucille was active in the Missionary Circle, Willing Workers, Gospel Choir, and the Nurses Guild. In 2024, Lucille was recognized at the Mack family reunion as their oldest living family member.

Lucille is preceded in death by her husband, Calvin; and survived by her daughters, Caroline Byrd and Ernestine McDonald; grandchildren (Stephen & Christopher Byrd); great-grandchildren (Brandon & Kristyn Byrd); great-great grandchildren (Bryce Byrd & Giana O'Banion); and a host of adoring cousins, nieces, nephews, and extended family. The March Funeral Home – West (4300 Wabash Avenue) will host a viewing to pay respects to Lucille on August 4th at 3p.m. and a Celebration of Life to honor her memory on August 5, at 10 a.m.

Cemetery Details

Garrison Forest Veterans

11501 Garrison Forest Road
Owings Mills, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 4. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - West
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

Wake

AUG 5. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Lucille Tyler*



March Funeral Homes - July 25, 2025 at 11:27 AM

KB

“ Dear Grandma,

As people age they may lose a lot of things -- their vision, their hearing, their memories... but one thing you never lost was the love you have for your family. You loved so deeply; and never missed an opportunity to showcase that love. From home cooked meals to thoughtful cards, and to calls about how I was doing in school.

You were such a vibrant person, who held unwavering love for all those who were lucky enough to be a part of your family. I know there are not many things that are constant in this life, but I know your steadfast love for me, for us, was one of them. It's difficult to imagine what my life would have looked like without your love, support, wisdom, and encouragement. You impacted so many people while you lived and I hope we can continue to carry your legacy in our lives through acts of love, big or small, every day.

From several generations later, thank you for all that you have done for this family. Thank you for all that you've done for me. Thank you for being a resilient and amazing: wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother.

I love you, I miss you, and I hope you rest in peace and in power.

*Love,
Kristyn*

Kristyn Byrd - August 05, 2025 at 01:56 AM

EB

“ *Esther Byrd lit a candle in memory of Lucille Tyler*



Esther Byrd - August 04, 2025 at 05:01 PM

JB

“ *Grandma Lucille, I will miss you more than you will ever know. I was too young to have a close relationship with either of my biological grandmothers, but when I married Stephen nearly 30 years ago and met you, I felt an instant connection to you and a closeness that I had never experienced. Throughout the years, Stephen and I visited you often. Between visits, I made it a point to call you every week. Not only to check in on you, but because I wanted to talk to you and know how you were doing. Our conversations made me feel so close to you. I will miss our weekly calls. I will miss the sound of your voice. I will miss you asking me “How’s my girl”. I will miss our declarations of “I Love You’s” which was how we always ended our calls. I love you and will miss you so much Grandma...my heart is broken* 💔

Jill Byrd - August 04, 2025 at 12:22 PM

“ Dear Grandma,

You embraced us with love for more than a century, but somehow, it still doesn't feel like enough time.

You carried wisdom in your eyes and a quiet strength that grounded our entire family.

Your journey witnessed the world change in dramatic ways - from Jim Crow to the Civil Rights movement and beyond.. And through it all, you embodied the values you taught us by your example: to love deeply, practice perseverance & grit, honesty, empathy, and your super-power: kindness.

You were more than “my grandmother”. You were a counselor, and taught me courage and faith. Your smile taught me joy. Your understanding showed me, firsthand, what it means to love unconditionally. You were my friend and confidante - there was almost nothing that we could not discuss. You were at times, my critic, and encouraged and challenged me.

I'll forever cherish memories of the way you'd smile lovingly at us - without a word, yet speaking volumes; the way you'd hum while cooking; the joyful way you'd appreciate every gift; the quiet way you'd laugh or flash a wry smile whenever we shared an “inside joke”; and the love you and Jill shared as it warmed my heart whenever you exclaimed, “Where's my girl..?” I wish you knew how I teased her that you were MY Grandma!

Losing you is hard, but I'm so grateful for every moment, every lesson, every hug. Your life was a gift, and your love will echo in our hearts forever.

Rest peacefully, Grandma.

You were truly one of a kind.

*Your loving grandson,
Stephen*

Stephen Byrd - August 04, 2025 at 12:18 PM

SB

“ Stephen & Jill Byrd planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucille Tyler.

Stephen & Jill Byrd - August 03, 2025 at 11:25 AM

SB

“ Stephen & Jill Byrd purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lucille Tyler.



Stephen & Jill Byrd - August 03, 2025 at 11:25 AM

SB

“ Stephen Byrd lit a candle in memory of Lucille Tyler



Stephen Byrd - August 03, 2025 at 11:09 AM

KB

“ Kristyn Byrd lit a candle in memory of Lucille Tyler



Kristyn Byrd - July 28, 2025 at 01:32 PM

EB

“ *Esther B. purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Lucille Tyler.*



Esther B. - July 28, 2025 at 01:30 PM

LW

“ *LeVerne Wallace planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucille Tyler.*

LeVerne Wallace - July 26, 2025 at 01:52 PM

LW

“ *LeVerne Wallace purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Lucille Tyler.*



LeVerne Wallace - July 26, 2025 at 01:52 PM

JB

“ *Jill Byrd lit a candle in memory of Lucille Tyler*



Jill Byrd - July 25, 2025 at 01:56 PM

CT

“ Calvin and Tina Tyler purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lucille Tyler.



Calvin and Tina Tyler - July 19, 2025 at 04:54 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 - July 17, 2025 at 12:48 PM