A Celebration of Life

honoring



Carolyn Black Carter

September 5, 1948—May 9, 2025

Friday, May 16, 2025 | 11:00 a.m.

New Zion Baptist Church
266 New Zion Church Road
Pinola, Mississippi 39149







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Precious in the sight of the LORD Is the death of His saints.

- Psalm 116:15

The Order of Service

Sister Ruby Allen, Mistress of Ceremonies

Processional | *Clergy & Family*

Parting View

Song | *Kendra Walker*

Prayer & Words of Comfort | *Reverend Ricardo McNair*

Expressions | *Selected Family Members*

Acknowledgments

Song

Eulogy | *Pastor Roderick Haley*

Recessional | *Funeral Directors of J&M in Charge*

Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. Proverbs 31:25-28

In Loving Memory
of
Carolyn Black Carter
1948—2025

Carolyn Carter, *a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and surrogate mother to many, passed away on May 9, 2025, following a brief illness. Her sudden passing has left a profound and lasting impact on all who knew and loved her.*

Born in Pinola, Mississippi, in 1948 to Jenora ("Bud") and Magnolia (Walker) Black. Carolyn was the fifth of six children. She attended Alcorn State University, where she earned a degree in education. Eager to build a meaningful life, she moved to California to begin her career and start a family.

In July of 1970, Carolyn married Henry Carter, also of Pinola. The couple later relocated to Chicago, Illinois, where Carolyn became a dedicated educator in the Chicago Public Schools. Over the course of more than 30 years, she taught multiple generations of families, contributing significantly to after-school and summer programs. Her efforts extended beyond the classroom as she worked to forge partnerships with local businesses to support these programs and uplift the community.

Carolyn cherished her role as a mother and grandmother. She shared a special, deep bond with her grandson, Christian, and treasured the time they spent together from his earliest years. She also had a deep love for her church New Zion, which she reconnected with upon her return to Mississippi. She served faithfully in various capacities, including the Home Mission, Pastor's Aid, and the Kitchen Committee.

Carolyn leaves behind her beloved husband, Henry; sons, Derrick and D'Juan (Tessa); and her cherished grandson, Christian. She is also survived by two sisters, Evelyn Joyce Simon and Gwendolyn Lucas, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, extended family, and dear friends—many of whom affectionately called her "T.T. Carol."

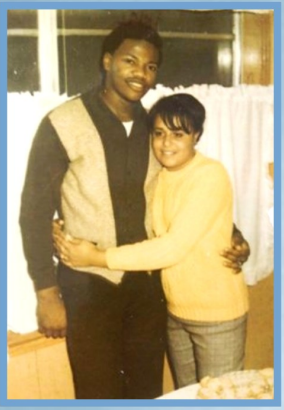
She was preceded in death by her parents, Jenora and Magnolia, and three sisters: Vera Lois Davis, Mary Kathy Holman, and Dorothy Jean Carter.

Carolyn's warmth, wisdom, and nurturing spirit touched countless lives. She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.



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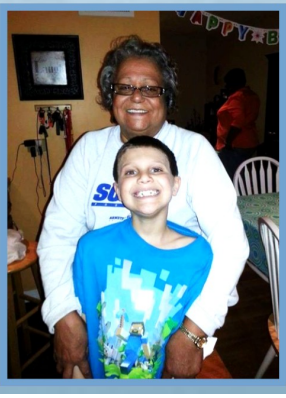














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Acknowledgments

There are not enough words to fully express our heartfelt gratitude for the love, support and kind expressions of sympathy during this difficult time of loss. Every call, text, flower, monetary gift, food, visit and prayer is greatly appreciated and a comfort to our family. We are eternally grateful your love and support. Please continue to keep the Carter family lifted up in prayer for God to strengthen, comfort and cover us with His love.

- The Family of Carolyn Black Carter -

Honorary Pallbearers

Ben Prescott James Mann Christian Carter

Active Pallbearers

Raynard Holman
Kyrie Lucas
Marcus Butler
Cedric Carter, II
Eric Carter
Makayla Hubbard

Flower Bearers

Friends of the Family

Interment

New Zion Church Cemetery

Repast

New Zion Fellowship Hall

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