



Carolyn Vernon Turner

November 23, 1948 - December 31, 2024

Carolyn Vernon Turner, 76, formerly of Travelers Rest, SC, passed away on Tuesday, December 31, 2024, at Johnson City Medical Center, in Johnson City, TN.

Born in Travelers Rest, SC, she was the daughter of Dolores Styles Vernon and the late Charles Alexander Vernon. Carolyn was a 1966 graduate of Travelers Rest High School where she was Head Majorette; North Greenville Junior College and Carson Newman College, where she was crowned "Miss Carson Newman." Representing Jefferson City, TN, she was a runner-up in the 1970 Miss Tennessee Pageant and in South Carolina Miss USA. Carolyn also held the titles of Miss Travelers Rest and Miss World South Carolina. The former owner of It's a Small World Dance Studio in Mauldin, SC, Carolyn was later employed by Sunex Tools as a Customer Service and Sales Representative. She was a member of Travelers Rest First Baptist Church. Surviving are her son, Gregory Lee Turner, II, and wife, Victoria; two sisters-- Vickie Vernon Hawkins and Kathy Vernon Garland; and four grandchildren-- Charlie, Luke and Jack Turner and Delainy Penland; eight nieces and nephews; and fifteen great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to her father, she was predeceased by a son, Jeremy Alexander Turner.

Funeral services will be held at 2 PM on Wednesday, January 8th at The Howze Mortuary Chapel. Burial will follow in Mountain View Memorial Gardens.

Prior to the service, the family will receive friends from 1:00 PM until 1:50 PM at the mortuary.

The family will be at their respective homes.

Cemetery Details

Mountain View Memorial Park

7 Duncan Rd
Travelers Rest, SC 29690
(864) 834-3184

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 8. 1:00 PM - 1:50 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369
Travelers Rest, SC

Service

JAN 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel
6714 State Park Rd.
Travelers Rest
Travelers Rest, SC 29690
thehowzemortuary@yahoo.com

Tribute Wall



“ *The Howze Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Vernon Turner*



The Howze Mortuary - January 07, 2025 at 11:41 AM

DW

Carolyn loved family! She made an effort to come and see Meredith and the kiddos when they were in town, many years ago. Mother always told me this story about Granddaddy Vernon. Carolyn was a baby when Mother and Daddy got married. She said that he called Carolyn his dollbaby, as she was the youngest grandchild at the time. He died right before Johnny was born, and that is why Uncle Paul named him after his father, John Oeland (our grandfather)

Debbie V White - January 08, 2025 at 11:11 AM

DW

Sorry for rambling....many memories are surfacing ❤️

Debbie V White - January 08, 2025 at 11:12 AM

EH

So very beautiful 💕

Ellen Hanks - January 10, 2025 at 10:23 AM

DL

“ David and Linda Tollison, and Sandy Langley purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Carolyn Vernon Turner.



David and Linda Tollison, and Sandy Langley - January 04, 2025 at 09:04 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carolyn Vernon Turner.

January 06, 2025 at 06:36 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Carolyn Vernon Turner.



January 06, 2025 at 06:36 PM

TF

“ The Johns Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Vernon Turner.

The Johns Family - January 05, 2025 at 09:56 PM

TF

“ *The Johns Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Carolyn Vernon Turner.*



The Johns Family - January 05, 2025 at 09:56 PM

DT

“ *Carolyn called me 2 days (after midnight) before she passed. I immediately knew it was her! She laughed and said she knew I would be awake! It was like we had only talked yesterday! We shared so many wonderful memories, shared: clothes, secrets, loves, hurts, memories, schemes and so much more! Some only saw the outward beauty. They missed the really sincere part...her heart! I will forever miss her! Rest in peace dear, sweet friend!*

Dollie Stutts Tuttle - January 05, 2025 at 05:21 PM

PB

“ *Prayers and Love..*



Peachie Moody Buzbee - January 05, 2025 at 11:29 AM

JW

“ *Jimmy Watson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Turner*



Jimmy Watson - January 05, 2025 at 11:26 AM

HJ

“ *A angel got her wings.*



Huetta D Jackson - January 05, 2025 at 09:24 AM

CH

“ *Country Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Turner*



Country Hawkins - January 05, 2025 at 07:23 AM

HJ

“ *Carolyn was a good friend and such a sweet person. Rest in peace my friend. We had some good times in school . Prayers to the family.*

Huetta D Jackson - January 04, 2025 at 05:12 PM

DL

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David and Linda Tollison, and Sandy Langley - January 04, 2025 at 09:04 AM

LT

“ So many thoughts and a plethora of memories. A lifetime friendship is a rare gift. You were like a beautifully wrapped gift externally, and the gift inside contained a sweet heart. You will never be forgotten because you will remain in my heart. Missing you and wishing you peace.

Linda Surett Tollison - January 04, 2025 at 08:58 AM

DT

It is difficult to believe she is gone! Carolyn called me two nights before she passed. We giggled and relived lots of memories from North Greenville. Also she wanted for us to get together the next time she was in TR People who didn't really know her saw the beauty on the outside, but those who really knew her were aware that the real beauty was inside! I will forever treasure our last conversation. We were once again back at NG....scheming, planning, and trying to stay out of trouble! That is the Carolyn I knew and will always love

Dollie Stutts Tuttle - January 05, 2025 at 02:05 PM



“ Vickey Davis lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Turner



Vickey Davis - January 04, 2025 at 05:33 AM

SS

“ I will always remember your beautiful smile and spirit. Now you are another angel in Heaven with God. I pray you are resting in peace with our family members who have gone before you. May God bless your family.

Stephanie Styles

Stephanie Sandlin - January 04, 2025 at 02:12 AM

PB

“ *Peachie Moody Buzbee lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Turner*



Peachie Moody Buzbee - January 03, 2025 at 09:32 PM

PH

“ *Pat Hawkins lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Vernon Turner*



Pat Hawkins - January 03, 2025 at 09:04 PM

GW

“ *Carolyn and I met and lived in the same dorm at North Greenville from '66-'68. She was a treasured friend. I'll always remember her smiles and bubbly personality. I'm so sorry to hear of her passing and will be keeping her family in my prayers 🙏💜*

Gaile Sawyer White - January 03, 2025 at 08:46 PM

JH

“ *Jonell Hart lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Turner*



Jonell Hart - January 03, 2025 at 05:56 PM