

**Floral Bearers**

Family

**Pall Bearers**

Family

**Acknowledgment**

The family of Carolyn Gardner wishes to express sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness extended to us during the passage of our loved one. Your thoughtfulness has been a source of comfort and strength to us all.

The Family of Mrs. Carolyn Martin Gardner

*“There is a destiny that makes us brothers, none goes this way alone, that which you send into the lives of others comes back into our own.”*

*I care not what his temples or his creeds One thing holds firm and fast That into his fateful heap of days and deeds The soul of man is cast.*



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**A Celebration of Life**

**For**

***Mrs. Carolyn Martin Gardner***



**Sunrise:  
April 29, 1930**

**Sunset:  
October 14, 2020**

**Thursday, October 22, 2020**

**3:00 PM**

**Cleveland Memorial Park**

**Boiling Springs, NC**

**Pastor Wade Wallace, Officiating Minister**





*Order of Service*

Prelude

Processional

Recorded Selection.....Mrs. Debra Wilkins

Congregational Hymn.....“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Psalm 27.....Pastor Wade Wallace

New Testament.....John 14 1-4.....Pastor Wade Wallace

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Wade Wallace

Reflections.....Poems and Speech

Selection.....Mrs. Arevia Nero

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Wade Wallace

Selection

Recessional

Interment

Cleveland Memorial Park  
Boiling Springs, NC



## Reflections

*I have so many memories with you Grandma Carolyn. However, the memories that make me smile and laugh-out-loud, would be the following:*

*The time you and Aunt Iris had to go to driving school for speeding;*

*I will miss hearing your laugh which was infectious;*

*All of the days after-school I spent in Boiling Springs, sharing leftover apple juice and eating grapes with Lil Sam that you'd pack for his school lunch; and*

*Most of all, hearing you say, "Well, I declare!"*

*I just want you to know my name, when I see you in heaven. I loved everything and every moment spent with you Grandma Carolyn...*

*Your Granddaughter, Nikki*

*Trey and I went to grandma's house for the weekend. As everyone knows, grandma was a person who kept everything clean. That particular weekend Grandma want us to help her wash her walls. After we finished, Trey look at grandma and said, "Grandma, don't call me if you want me to wash walls." Grandma and Grandpa laughed every time they saw Trey. He reminded them that he was not going to ever wash anymore walls!*

*Your Granddaughter, Sherry*

*The day that God called your name*

*It broke my heart in two*

*But Heaven needed an Angel*

*And the one he picked was you*

*You have left memories (your smile, hugs, kindness, support and food made with love) in my heart.*

*I love you and will miss you every day*

*Your Granddaughter Kimberly*

*My Grandmother was the sweetest woman I knew. I never heard her raise her voice. I always saw her raise the spirits of those around her with a knowing smile. She would do anything for her family and I will miss her dearly.*

*Edward*

*When I think about my Great Grandmother Carolyn, I think of the woman who's love was warm as Summer's Eve. My Lady Bug smile just as a bright and had the glow of a 1000 suns. She was my everything. I can remember it being late at night and I would make a desert just to sneak it in her room and watch "Reba" 'til I'd fall right to sleep next to her. The countless walks, laughs, the talks will always be priceless because the memories are fond to my heart. She always told me to chase my dreams and do what I feel and don't let anything stop me. The words of wisdom she instilled in me were captured the moment she looked at my son Kameron. It's a lot more I can say but it's more to be shown. You're forever in our heart as you continue to touch our spirit.*

*Love you Lady Bug. - Kendall Bug*

*To my dearest Grandma Carolyn, my mother's mother. All of the strength, grace and love that guides me comes from the faith you always had in me. I feel your spirit of protection all around me as I become stronger and more confident in who I am, and what my purpose in this realm is. I'm so glad you got to meet my son Dante. Thank you giving me my mother and my aunties. What a legacy you have left. We will make you proud.*

*Maya Henderson*

## Obituary

Carolyn Gardner, of Boiling Springs North Carolina, passed away October 14,2020 in Huntersville, NC. Carolyn was born in Cleveland County to Milous and Pearl (Logan) Martin on April 29 , 1930. She graduated from Green Bethel High School in Boiling Springs. She went on to attend a Secretarial School in Washington, DC. At an early age, she joined Young's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, Mooresboro, NC. Later she became an active member of Green Bethel Baptist Church where she sang in the choir and was a member of the missionary society. She enjoyed sewing, cooking, shopping with her sister and spending time with her children and grandchildren. Carolyn was married to Samuel Gardner after hearing him sing in church. It was love at first sight. Together they went on to have four wonderful daughters. Regina, Arevia, Cassandra and Debra.

Carolyn worked at Gardner Web University, Fiber and Belk. She had a strong work ethic and was always working.

Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents Milous and Pearl, her husband, Samuel Gardner, two sisters, Vernisha Rose White (Detroit) and Hilda Moore (Troutman). She leaves behind her dear sister Iris (Martin) Koonce (Greensboro, NC), with whom she shared a special bond, her daughters, Regina Ann Moore (Milton), (Raleigh) Arevia Nero (Spaniel),(Charlotte), Cassandra Henderson (Melvin) (Fayetteville) and Debra Wilkins (Frank) (Roper) a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren, cousins and friends.

Carolyn was our matriarch and the foundation of our legacy and we will continue to grow stronger and wiser.