



## Carolyn Barker

March 3, 1944 - January 22, 2026

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son...” “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” “God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.” “Trust in the Lord with all your heart.”

These verses were more than words to Carolyn Barker — they were the foundation of her life and the message she joyfully shared with everyone she met. Carolyn Barker passed from this life on January 22, 2026, at the age of 81, leaving behind a legacy of faith, kindness, and unwavering love for the Lord and for others.

Carolyn was born on March 3, 1944, in Henderson County, Tennessee, one of ten children born to the late Graple Allen and David Mooney. From an early age, her faith shaped who she would become. She was a devoted Christian and a faithful member of Calvary Baptist Church in Parsons, Tennessee. Friends often said simply and confidently, “Carolyn knew Jesus,” and anyone who spent time with her knew that to be true. She freely shared Bible verses with her family, her friends, and even strangers she had just met, always pointing others toward hope and encouragement in Christ.

Carolyn began her working career with HIS in Saltillo, Tennessee, later continuing her employment with Maytag in Jackson, Tennessee, where she eventually retired. No matter where she worked, she was known for her strong

work ethic, her gentle spirit, and her willingness to help others.

Kindness defined Carolyn's life. She was the one who called, texted, or showed up when someone was in need. She made it a priority to visit the sick, offering comfort, prayer, and a listening ear. She was also a talented baker, especially known for her cakes — often keeping extras tucked away in her freezer, ready to share whenever the need or occasion arose.

Above all else, Carolyn cherished her family. She is survived by her beloved husband of sixty years, Junior Ray Barker; two sons, Jeffery Ray (Kim) Barker and Gary Mack (Sarah) Barker; and four grandchildren whom she adored, Micah Grace and Haven Elizabeth Barker, and Stone Mack and Cross Ray Barker. She is also survived by four sisters, Marlene (Ronnie) Brown, Sandra Mooney, Rebecca Mooney Howard, and Cheryl (Dennis) Moody; three brothers, Lowell (Loretta) Mooney, Noel (Wanda) Mooney, and David (Brenda) Mooney.

In addition to her parents, Carolyn was preceded in death by two sisters, Georgia Tate and Mary Lou Miller.

Visitation with the Barker family will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday and continue until the funeral service at 12:00 p.m. Her funeral service will be held Saturday, January 31st in the chapel of Pafford Funeral Home in Scotts Hill.

In lieu of flowers, the Barker family requests memorial donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, an organization with which the family has a strong and meaningful affiliation.

Carolyn's life was a living testimony of faith, service, and love — a woman who trusted the Lord with all her heart and made sure others knew they could too.



# Cemetery Details

**Not Applicable**

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 31.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Pafford Scotts Hill Funeral Home  
10145 Highway 100  
Scotts Hill, TN 38374  
(731) 549-3151  
info@paffordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.paffordfuneralhome.com/>

## Chapel Service

**JAN 31.** 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (CT)

Chapel of Pafford Funeral Home - Scotts Hill, TN  
Highway 100  
Scotts Hill, TN

# Tribute Wall



“ Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carolyn Barker



Pafford Funeral Home - January 29 at 04:23 PM



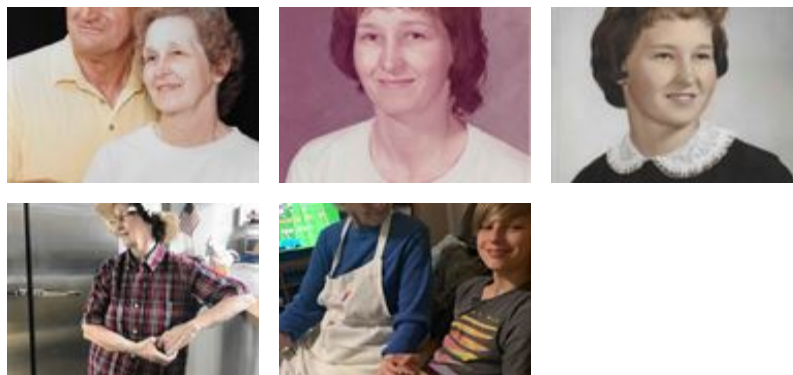
“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Carolyn Barker.



January 30 at 09:40 AM



“ 106 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pafford Funeral Home - January 29 at 04:20 PM

AS

“ Mrs. Carolyn was a special friend to everyone she knew. Her obituary describes her so well.

Ann J Smith - January 27 at 05:52 PM

AS

“ Ann J Smith lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker



Ann J Smith - January 27 at 05:45 PM

EV

“ Ms Carolyn was a special lady. Prayers for you all in the days ahead.

Elizabeth Vineyard - January 27 at 02:48 PM

BW

“ Brian Wallis lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker



Brian Wallis - January 26 at 05:03 AM

CP

“ She was a prayer warrior. I was one of the many, many families she brought cakes or meals to in time of need. Whenever she and I texted, she would always end with "love you" She was my best friend.

Carolyn Parrish - January 25 at 09:46 AM

MP

“ *Morris/Janice Phillips lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker*



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**Morris/Janice Phillips** - January 24 at 06:23 PM

LD

“ *Laura DeLong lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker*



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**Laura DeLong** - January 24 at 05:23 PM

VN

“ *I remember how Mrs. Carolyn would make us feel special on our line at Maytag. She would often make me a dessert on my birthday.*



*Praying for God's comforting arms for her family.*

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**Victoria Nunn-Hill** - January 24 at 02:37 PM

PC

“ *Patsy Coffman lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker*



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**Patsy Coffman** - January 24 at 11:58 AM

BM

“ Carolyn was a sweet cousin, She was there 45 years ago when my Daddy passed away,She was there 15 years ago when Dickey passed and for the last 40 years was there for mama and me.She will be missed!!!!



Brenda Marr - January 24 at 01:27 AM

VJ

“ Velma Johnson lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker



Velma Johnson - January 24 at 12:51 AM

BW

“ Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker



Barbara Willis - January 23 at 10:40 PM

JW

“ Carolyn was a very kind and nice lady. I haven't seen her in a while, but I remember her loving spirit she had . Prayers for the family. 🙏

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Jo Nell Weatherford - January 23 at 09:51 PM

JA

“ Carolyn, was a precious lady. She text me most Sunday mornings to tell me she loved me , and she had prayed for me. I will miss her love & prayers. Prayers for the family.



Jennifer Adams - January 23 at 09:28 PM

LG

Carolyn was a sweet Christian friend. She always baked a cake for anyone who was suffering loss of a family member. She showed love to all by her sweet smile and kind words.

Linda Goff - January 24 at 09:17 AM

DB

“ Doris Buck lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker



Doris Buck - January 23 at 08:28 PM

CH

“ Carol &Robert Horn lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker



Carol &Robert Horn - January 23 at 07:40 PM

CH

*Can't say enough about my sweet sister. Doesn't take blood to be a sister We worked and carpooled for 12 years even working on the same line and same team. Everybody thought the world of her. She never said a bad word about anyone. I sure am going to her*

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**Carol Horn** - January 23 at 07:47 PM

DB

“ *Danny & Shelia Beecham lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Barker*



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**Danny & Shelia Beecham** - January 23 at 07:27 PM