



## Glendolyn Long Whitfield

July 5, 1955 - June 7, 2019

“Celebrating the Life of Glendolyn Long Whitfield”

A precious one from us is gone

A voice we loved is stilled

A place is vacant in our house which can never be filled

We loved her more than words can express

But God loved her more

And he quietly called her home to rest.

Glendolyn Long Whitfield quietly passed into eternal rest following a short illness on Friday, June 7, 2019. Glen or Gwen as she was affectionately called by her family and friends was born in Norfolk, Virginia to Minister Hattie Long and the late Glen Long on July 5, 1955.

Glendolyn was educated in the Norfolk Public School System. She graduated from Lake Taylor High School and matriculated at Norfolk State University majoring in Business Administration. Following her outstanding performance during her Internship at the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, she was offered a full-time position with that Department. She later transferred to the Eastern District in Norfolk, VA, where she continued her Federal Service employment at the Walter E. Huffman United States Courthouse. Prior to her retirement in 2014, she attained the position as Courtroom Deputy Clerk to The Honorable Judge Raymond Jackson. During her tenure she received many awards, honors and recognitions.

Glendolyn's early commitment to the Lord gave her strength to overcome many battles with her illness. She remained steadfast and committed in her journey to serve the Lord. In 1992, she became a member of St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church and was a member of the Tribe of Benjamin. She recognized that her first priority is serving the Lord and she immediately thrust herself into service in the following ministries: Relief Usher Ministry, where she most recently held the position of Secretary, and the Pastor's Aid Ministry. The St. Mark Christian Academy (SMCA) administration and staff were also very appreciative for the volunteer service she provided following her retirement assisting with the extracurricular String Program that many of the children participated in. She was also an active Sunday School and Bible Study attendee, and also served dutifully as a Trustee spouse.

In the community, Glendolyn was active in the Portsmouth Chapter, The Links, Incorporated. A faithful and dedicated member since May 2004, she served in various leadership positions. In 2005, Dr. Patricia Fisher, the President at that time, recognized Glendolyn with the "Shining Link Star Award". She joined this galaxy of stars, briefly following her induction, because she quickly demonstrated her commitment to service in her role as Special Projects Chair, she worked diligently with the Portsmouth Branch of the NAACP, to plan and present the Brown vs Board of Education Program at I.C. Norcom High School. Her efforts led to the Chapter receiving First Place recognition from the Portsmouth Chapter of the NAACP. Glendolyn was also an avid reader, she dearly loved her "Sister Friends" in her Book Club that met monthly.

Glendolyn was predeceased in death by her grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bagley, her father, Mr. Glen Long, two sisters: Dianne Williams and Yvette Long of Norfolk, Virginia. She leaves to cherish her memory her faithful husband Carlton Whitfield; her mother Minister Hattie Long and two sons: Brian (Emanuel Asu) and Michael Long all residents of Norfolk, VA along with her "bonus children" Antoinette and Carlton Whitfield who reside in Washington, DC. She also leaves to cherish her memory her siblings: Kenneth Long, Byron Long (Serena), Kirk Long (Janice), Alfreda Long and

Miranda Palmer. Glendolyn has eight loving sisters-in-law that are also left to cherish her sweet memory: Doris Highsmith (Willie), Swindell Jackson, Gloria Scoffner, Deloris Pollard, Mary Capers, Carolyn Everett, (Alton), Janice Whitfield, Judy Piper and one brother-in-law Royce Whitfield (Lois).

She has also been blessed with a circle of ten loving grandchildren: Jahsiah, Taikia, Devin, N'Diyah, Nazareth, Gwendolyn, Somalia-Rose, Bless, Toni and Bryonna. There are also seven great grandchildren to cherish her memory: Travon, Wyse, Johnathan, Ilana, Ava, Lenox, and Bryson.

Glendolyn was a precious jewel and she will be missed by all who knew and loved her. She was a very loving, caring, compassionate, humorous, friendly, outgoing individual. She was truly a woman of virtue that loved the Lord, her family, church, and was committed to serving others. Her legacy of love will be missed by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family, and loving friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Roosevelt Memorial Park

1101 Campostella Road  
Chesapeake, Va

# Previous Events

## Wake Service

JUN 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
1248 N. George Washington Hwy  
Chesapeake, VA

## Service

JUN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Mark Missionary Baptist Church  
2714 Frederick Blvd  
Portsmouth, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ *J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Glendolyn Long Whitfield*



**J. T. Fisher Funeral Services** - June 13, 2019 at 07:46 AM

PC

*So sorry for your loss*

**pearl chatman** - June 23, 2019 at 06:34 PM

YM

*HAPPY BIRTHDAY MRS WHITFIELD! I love you! You have inspired me and always kept me laughing. Your outgoing personality, wisdom, and smile kept me smiling as well. Your classy style, creativity and strength are all that inspires me which I will never forget. It is truly a blessing and honor to have had you in my life. My love for you is everlasting and will always be a light in my life. Thank you for being my friend!*

**Yvette Merritt** - July 05, 2019 at 01:51 PM

DI

“ *2 files added to the album LifeTributes*



**Diane** - June 21, 2019 at 11:23 PM

KP

“ To Carlton and family: I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your wife. May God continue to sustain and be a source of peace to you all, at this difficult time. Keep looking to the hills which cometh your help, all your help comes from the Lord. Be encouraged. Kay Frances, Robersonville NC.

Kay Peele - June 19, 2019 at 10:38 PM

DS

“ My condolences to the family. She will be missed. Her soul, Her smile, Her genuine personality. She was always kind to me, and she never changed. I always looked forward to when her and Carlton came To MD to visit my stepmom Pat, and I got a chance to see them. They represented a beautiful love ♡♡ . An Angel is watching over her family . Denise Simmons

Denise Simmons - June 19, 2019 at 12:02 PM

SW

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you in your time of need.  
The Whitfield, Jackson and Highsmith Family



Sandra Whitfield - June 13, 2019 at 08:39 AM

IW

“ You will be greatly miss and I will always remember your beautiful smile. My family is praying is for your family. Irene and Harold Wilson

Irene Wilson - June 12, 2019 at 08:37 PM

KP

*So sorry to hear about the loss of your wife. May God continue to sustain You and your family. Look to the hills from whence cometh your help, all of your help comes from the Lord. I will continue to pray for you all.*

**Kay Peele** - June 18, 2019 at 11:30 AM

RF

*“ To The Family  
I pray that God will comfort each if you.We will always have great memories of our Growing up together where families bonded in Diggs Park.Much Love To The Family  
Renaye Freeman*

**Renaye Freeman** - June 12, 2019 at 07:43 PM

JY

*“ PM Jeanette Darden-Yates:Adeline Ward 197: OES*

**Jeanette Yates** - June 12, 2019 at 03:42 PM



*“ 30 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**J. T. Fisher Funeral Services** - June 12, 2019 at 12:56 PM

DM

“ We are deeply saddened with the passing of a friend and church family member. We send our prayers to Carlton and the family during this time in need. May GOD continue to bless you all as you make preparations for Glen's homegoing. We love and will miss you Glen, but GOD loves you more.



*Michael, Denise, Jasmine, and Jonathan McClure*

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**Denise McClure** - June 12, 2019 at 11:29 AM

ST

“ Sincerely, Bill and Diane Taylor purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Glendolyn Long Whitfield.



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**Sincerely, Bill and Diane Taylor** - June 12, 2019 at 09:18 AM

EC

“ *Carlton Whitfield and family;*

*My deepest condolences to you and your family. My prayers are for strength, faith, peace and love during this very difficult time.*

*Treasure the memories of your wife and mother and share them with one another. Gwen's legacy lives on in each of you and the gifts you have become to each of the lives you touch. She lived a life that is and always will be a part of my daily walk and for that I am so very grateful. May heaven continue to smile upon you and give you strength on today and the days ahead.*

*Love and peace;*

*Emanuel*

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**Emanuel Chestnut** - June 12, 2019 at 08:08 AM

PG

“ *Patricia Griffin lit a candle in memory of  
Glendolyn Long Whitfield*



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**Patricia Griffin** - June 11, 2019 at 10:42 PM

JJ

“ *Such A Sweet Person You Will Be Missed My  
Friend* ❤️



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**Jacqueline Jacobs** - June 11, 2019 at 01:07 PM

JP

“ *Janice Peters lit a candle in memory of  
Glendolyn Long Whitfield*



Janice Peters - June 11, 2019 at 11:46 AM

RI

“ *Rodolfo Cejas II lit a candle in memory of  
Glendolyn Long Whitfield*



Rodolfo Cejas II - June 11, 2019 at 11:32 AM

CG

“ *Carolyn W. Garry lit a candle in memory of  
Glendolyn Long Whitfield*



Carolyn W. Garry - June 11, 2019 at 09:49 AM

EM

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Erica McKennelly - June 11, 2019 at 12:41 AM

LW

*May Lord bless the family in time of your lost 🙏🌹*

**linda wilson** - June 11, 2019 at 01:10 PM

Y#

*May the Lord shower his blessings and keep His arms around the family.*

**Y.Williams- Adeline Ward #197** - June 12, 2019 at 01:18 PM

EM

*“ Aunt Gwen..... Words can't express how grateful I am to have spent time with you last month, during our visit to see the Tyler Perry play. Although you were not in the best of health, you pressed on and you kept a smile on your face. I'm forever grateful to you and Uncle Snoopy for taking me in during my first year at NSU. Thank you for introducing me to the "trashy" books that we use to read and for introducing me to QVC! I love you and I miss you deeply. Give my brother a big hug and a kiss for me. Rest in eternal peace Aunt Gwen..... Forever is a long time. That's how long I'll be loving and missing you.*

**Erica McKennell** - June 11, 2019 at 12:38 AM

EH

*“ My deepest condolences in the passing of your love one. May God be with each and everyone of you as you go through this difficult time. Lean on the Lord for your strength. Your St. Mark family will miss your smiling face.*



**Ethelyn Whitehead Holley** - June 10, 2019 at 06:05 PM

KM

“*Katrina Muhammad lit a candle in memory of  
Glendolyn Long Whitfield*



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**Katrina Muhammad** - June 10, 2019 at 11:54 AM

HF

*"My deepest sympathy goes out to you and your family during this difficult time of the passing of Glendolyn. She will be missed. May God give you the peace that you seek."*

*Hattie Felton - St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church*

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**Hattie Felton** - June 11, 2019 at 05:10 PM