



Gwendolyn Cooper

December 24, 1953 - October 23, 2017

Gwendolyn "Gwen" Cooper, 63 of Quiet Court, peacefully passed away surrounded by her family on October 23, 2017. She was a graduate of I.C. Norcom High School, Class of 1972 and attended Norfolk State University. Gwen retired after 30 years of service as an Employment Services Worker with the City of Portsmouth Department of Social Services. She was a member of Noble Street Baptist Church, Portsmouth and Las Amigas, Incorporated.

Gwendolyn leaves to cherish her memories daughters, Lisa Cooper (Baltimore, MD) and Melissa Fennell (Charlotte, NC); stepchildren, Dannee Riddick (Chesapeake, VA), Darrette Riddick (Chesapeake, VA), and Shawn Baxter (Boston, MA); mother Pearlie Cooper; a niece, a nephew, two godchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. She was predeceased by her father, Lynell E. Cooper, Sr. and her brother, Lynell E. Cooper, Jr.

In lieu of flowers, Gwen requested donations be made in her memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Lincoln Cemetery

3901 Deep Creek Blvd
Portsmouth, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **29**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

OCT **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Noble Street Baptist Church
100 Noble Street
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Gwendolyn Cooper



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 29, 2017 at 04:48 PM

MF

“ Margie Corney-Miller and family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Gwendolyn Cooper.



Margie Corney-Miller and family - October 29, 2017 at 12:21 PM

NC

“ As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you. Isa.66:13
To Mother Pearl, Lisa, and Melissa. My deepest condolences.
May your memories of wonderful times shared be with today and always of Gwen. That smile that lit up a room and that laugh that always lingered. She leaves a legacy! A True Friend..forever..beyond words..beyond distance..beyond time.. I will miss our long talks of childhood, children, and adulthood, but knowing I'll see her again. I'm praying for you all. Love you.
Natalie Cherry

Natalie Cherry - October 28, 2017 at 11:39 PM

MF

“ MS.JACKIE FREEMAN lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn Cooper



MS.JACKIE FREEMAN - October 28, 2017 at 03:09 PM

SG

“ Gwen and I were friends from SHClarke thru graduating I. C. Norcom in 1972. We even resided in Jeffery Wilson together. Much love to all. Sandra Greene

sandra greene - October 27, 2017 at 06:58 PM

EH

“ Ethelyn Whitehead Holley lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn Cooper



Ethelyn Whitehead Holley - October 27, 2017 at 06:47 PM

AD

“ Antwanette Dean lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn Cooper



Antwanette Dean - October 27, 2017 at 01:45 PM

MP

“ Melissa, when my son Shaun told me about your mother passing, I truly felt a loss. Your mother and your grandmother are from my era growing up in Jeffrey Wilson. Going to the center and many of the community functions, happened because of your family's devotion to equality and service anywhere there were children. God bless you and your family especially now. We are thinking of you during this difficult now time.

Michelle Key Parker - October 27, 2017 at 12:40 AM

BC

“ To the Family of Gwen Cooper,
I remember Gwen as a fun loving person. She has that beautiful smile and warm comforting spirit. Her Soul is at rest and not in pain. I will keep you in my Prayers.
With Love,
Barbara Cross-Jones
Hampton, Va

Barbara Cross-Jones - October 26, 2017 at 09:37 PM



“ 31 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - October 26, 2017 at 03:53 PM

RS

“ *I am saddened to learn of the passing of your mother, Melissa. I will always remember her coming to Lakeview Elementary to check on your progress. Be assured that she is now at peace and will always be looking down on you as a protector. I am sure you have many fond memories to cherish for years to come.*
Love,
Your Lakeview Elementary, Portsmouth, Virginia 2nd Grade Teacher/ Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Soror.
Regina Long Southall
Chesapeake, Virginia

Regina Long Southall - October 24, 2017 at 10:34 PM