



Minister Arlene A. Elliott

December 1, 1945 - August 28, 2024

Arlene Askew Elliott at the age 78, God dispatched his heavenly angels to Maryview Medical Center ICU in Portsmouth, VA on Wednesday August 28, 2024. A native of Portsmouth, VA she was born to the late Robert Lee Askew Sr. and Lena Faison Askew on December 1, 1945 in Ahoskie, NC.

She joined New Baptist Church of Taylorville under the leadership of Rev. T. M. Steele in her early life. She worked at Piece Goods Fabric Store where she meant a host of friends. She was a very creative and talented seamstress. Arlene loved to sing and was the president of the Angelic Voices. Later she went to Minister school at Bishop Russell Church of God In Christ in Norfolk, VA where she received her license to minister the word of God.

In March 2007 she joined Tabernacle Church under Bishop Marcus D. Brown. Arlene was a loving and caring woman of God. She was the minister, prayer warrior, listener, mother and grandmother to many. And during the week from 12:30 noon to 2:00 pm Young and the Restless and Bold and the Beautiful was her time. You have fought a good fight, you have finished the course, you kept the faith, sang his songs of praise, talk the talk of God's goodness and now it is time for you to dance and sing in the presence of His glory.

Arlene is preceded in death by her parents Robert Lee Askew Sr. and Lena Faison Askew, husband Milton Lee Elliott Sr., brothers Robert Lee Askew Jr.,

Wallace Askew, Gregory Askew and sisters Cheryl Askew, Doris Christian, Robin Taylor, Patricia Askew. She leaves to cherish her memory children Milton L. Elliott Jr. (Juanita), Cheryl B. Elliott (Mike) and Latressa Norman (Tilmon) and bonus children Crystal Hayes (Steve) and Bonita Ellis. Sisters Elise Thompson (Ase), Valerie Lowry (Sam), Sheila Askew and Hattie Williams (Leslie). Grandchildren Ashley Askew, Joshua Elliott, D'Quane Norman, JuQuan Norman (Keyanna), SeLena Norman, Gavin Gardner (Cornesha) and many bonus grandchildren. Great grandchildren Zyon Elliott, Lyfe Elliott and many bonus great-grandchildren. Godson Rev. Hugo Morrison (Tanika) and goddaughters Crystal Howell and Patricia Key. Her very good friend Maranda Accoo and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and close friends.

Cemetery Details

Carver Memorial Cemetery

2320 East Washington Street
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 487-3700
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Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Testament Church
403 Rapidan St
Portsmouth, VA 23701-3321
(757) 487-1070

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Minister Arlene A. Elliott



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - September 06, 2024 at 07:25 PM

ML

May Ms. Arlene rest in peace. Love you, Maria Griffin-Lowery

Maria Lowery - September 07, 2024 at 12:53 PM

RE

I am saddened to hear of Arlene's passing. We grew up in 1st Baptist Taylorsville. She had a beautiful singing voice. When I came home to visit I would run into occasionally. She always had something positive to say. I know she's with God and our savior Jesus Christ, I'm saddened to know I won't run into her when I come home anymore. I will miss that. Well done servant of God. Well done. RIP
Reginald A. Early

Reginald A. Early - September 21, 2024 at 12:45 AM

LC

“ MY SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO THE ASKEW FAMILY. 🙏
I WILL TRULY MISS MRS. ARLENE, SHE WAS CERTAINLY “ONE OF A KIND” WHO ALWAYS HAD TIME TO MAKE YOU SMILE AND OFFER A GOOD OLE’ LAUGH.
YOU WILL BE MISSED, BUT WILL FOREVER LIVE IN MY ❤️ HEART MRS ARLENE. 😭😭😭
LOVE ALWAYS, “LYNNETTE”

LYNNETTE CANDIS - September 08, 2024 at 05:01 PM

AN

“ My deepest heartfelt condolences & prayers are with the family and friends of Ms. Arlene Elliot who I affectionately called "Cookie Lady". I met her over 40 plus years ago when I was just a young child. She at that time belonged to a CB Club along with my mom lola Brown " Lady B"who passed in 2013. This group helped many of people the homeless, fundraisers for the less fortunate and Christmas for the Children, etc. " Cookie Lady" was actually her CB name. When I first met her she embraced me with the most beautiful smile and loving hug. "Cookie Lady" was an amazing seamstress she would sew for me time to time. She even made my debutante gown when I was a teenager. See back in the day we always ran into each other especially on some Sundays because after your church service you fellowshiped with another church which made 2 services tell you the truth sometimes 3. I loved to hear her sing from a young child. Many Many years later we would ride to Virginia Mass Choir rehearsals together it was a honour to pick her up and have conversations about the Love of God and giving me sound advice. Her radiant voice of singing might I say she could SANG. "Cookie Lady" had the right name indeed she was so sweet, kind, a True Woman of God and she will be dearly missed. Rest on "Cookie Lady til We meet again!!! Love you, Angel



Angel - September 07, 2024 at 12:42 PM

JW

“ My deepest Sympathy to the Askew and Elliott family, may God wrap his loving arms around each of you ; Arlene and I became friends after I joined Taylorsville and joined the choir. She was a true worshiper, loved her family and gospel music, one of her favorite songs we sang together was I'm Free ; she introduced me to Sewing as we had strong love for African attire, and we just went Crazy making outfits, she will truly be missed. She was a part of The Walton family.❤️❤️❤️



Jasper Walton - September 07, 2024 at 05:17 AM

RW

“ To the family of Minister Arlene,

Know that you are truly in my prayers; for I know that the loss of Minister Arlene is a tough challenge for the family. She was the glue, the Mother, the teacher, the preacher, and the friend who provided advice, consolation, prayers, songs, and words of wisdom to any and all who were in need. Be comforted by the fact that Arlene was a true, and I do mean true, follower of Christ. She ministered to me as well as to many, many others, and I will miss her. But I will always cherish the conversations that she and I shared about the goodness of God. As with you, I will miss her dearly, but I am confident that she is now in the presence of God.
Rev. M. Ann Wright

Rev. M. Ann Wright - September 06, 2024 at 11:04 PM

MC

“ *Mary Kay Bold Charline/Gloria/Marita purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.*



Mary Kay Bold Charline/Gloria/Marita - September 05, 2024 at 09:40 PM

MC

“ *Mary Kay Bold Charline/Gloria/Marita planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.*

Mary Kay Bold Charline/Gloria/Marita - September 05, 2024 at 09:40 PM

DS

“ *Minster Arlene Elliott,
My heart is heavy but I know that you're in a better place. I will truly miss you. You were like a mother to me and was always there for me. Love you much. Dee speaker*

Demetria Speaker - September 05, 2024 at 08:33 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.*



September 05, 2024 at 05:03 PM

JG

“ Jessica Kyle Madyson Gray planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.

Jessica Kyle Madyson Gray - September 05, 2024 at 05:03 PM

SJ

“ Sister Mia, Brothers Leroy, Malik and Jo purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.



Sister Mia, Brothers Leroy, Malik and Jo - September 05, 2024 at 12:42 PM

DU

“ Dazzling Diva MaryKay Unit planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.

Dazzling Diva MaryKay Unit - September 05, 2024 at 11:34 AM

DU

“ Dazzling Diva MaryKay Unit purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.



Dazzling Diva MaryKay Unit - September 05, 2024 at 11:34 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - September 05, 2024 at 09:33 AM

SC

“ May God encamp his angels around the Elliott and Askew family in their time of grief. Minister Arlene was a great leader .She sang so beautiful while in the choir and taught us somethings she was an inspiration to the Number two choir in our young days in Taylorsville Baptist church .She will truly be miss by all of us .Now take your rest and sing praises in the heavenly choir .love you unconditionally
Sherlene Powell Carter

Sherlene carter - September 05, 2024 at 09:18 AM

SG

“ My apologies, I meant Minister Arlene Askew Elliott-----

Sharon E. Goodman - September 04, 2024 at 11:17 PM

SG

“ To: The family of the late Minister Arlene Askew. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family, never to be forgotten. So many good memories growing up in church and ministering with the family. May God continue to strengthen you. God bless.

From: Mr. And Mrs. J. Milton and Sharon E. Goodman, (Daughter of the late Deacon James T. And Deaconess Fannie M. Christian, Sr.)



Sharon E. Goodman - September 04, 2024 at 11:15 PM

GF

“ Gail Joyner and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.

Gail Joyner and Family - September 04, 2024 at 04:17 PM

GF

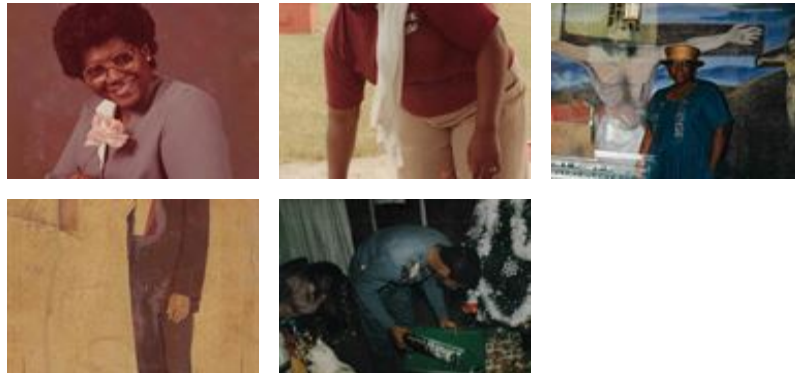
“ Gail Joyner and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.



Gail Joyner and Family - September 04, 2024 at 04:17 PM



“ 33 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - September 04, 2024 at 03:56 PM

VB

“ To Minister Arlene's Family,
Words cannot express what she meant to our
Family and the closeness she shared with us!
My mother loved Arlene and now they're
together once again!

Love,

Verna Walton Bowden & Family
Pooler GA



Verna Walton Bowden - September 04, 2024 at 03:40 PM

LF

“ Love Rohnell Howell & Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in
honor of Minister Arlene A. Elliott.

Love Rohnell Howell & Family. - September 04, 2024 at 02:21 PM

LF

“ Love Rohnell Howell & Family. purchased the Be
autiful in Blue for the family of Minister Arlene A.
Elliott.



Love Rohnell Howell & Family. - September 04, 2024 at 02:21
PM

RJ

“ To the family we are truly sorry for your loss Mrs. Arlene will truly be missed but she’s in a better place no pain no worries just happy all day long we will miss that smile Robert and Karen Brown



Robert L Brown jr - September 04, 2024 at 01:26 PM

MM

“ I loved my Aunt Arlene. I am glad I was able to talk and laugh with her recently. I was blessed to have her in my childhood and adulthood.
RIP Aunt Arlene, hug my dad and Uncle Milton for me.
- Monica Arlene Miller

Monica Miller - September 04, 2024 at 01:12 PM

DR

“ Minister Arlene had a huge impact in my early years of ministry. She made many of my ministerial garments. She served the Lord and His people well. I shall always remember her fondly. Rest on... well done!

Apostle Glynis Richardson

Dr. Glynis Richardson - September 04, 2024 at 11:21 AM

YO

“ Minister Arlene,

How do I make sense of it all? You were a true lover of all things comedic(well we could make each other laugh), you made me laugh like no other. I will miss our talks and jokes most of all. Your quick wit and loving come backs put a smile on my face every time I was in your presence. God knew exactly what he was doing when our paths crossed. God loved you and so do I, I will miss you so very much and I will never ever forget you. As you lovingly called I will forever be your "Stuff". Rest well beautiful until we meet again.

Yolanda - September 04, 2024 at 10:25 AM

MB

“ Michelle brembly lit a candle in memory of Minister Arlene A. Elliott



Michelle brembly - September 04, 2024 at 10:03 AM

TF

“ The Everett Family lit a candle in memory of Minister Arlene A. Elliott



The Everett Family - September 04, 2024 at 07:59 AM

RF

“ So many joyful memories flood my mind as I reflect upon the life of Minister Arlene Askew Elliott. May the Lord grant strength to the family and those who were blessed by the love of Minister Arlene.



Rev Joyce Foster - September 04, 2024 at 06:44 AM

GE

“ To the Family of Minister Arlene Elliott, our prayers are with you as you take this final journey on earth with one who was loved and cherished by so many. Her physical body will no longer be with us but her Spirit will remain in our hearts forever. Take your place in the Heavenly choir Minister Arlene, your journey on this earth is complete. 💔.
George, Pamela, Troy, and Brian Easter



George Easter - September 03, 2024 at 07:24 PM

NB

“ Life will not be the same without you. I loved you like my own mother. You will forever be in my heart!



Natasha Burke - September 03, 2024 at 05:51 PM

JF

“ *Jean Farmer lit a candle in memory of Minister Arlene A. Elliott*



Jean Farmer - September 03, 2024 at 04:15 PM

TV

“ *Terri M. Valentine lit a candle in memory of Minister Arlene A. Elliott*



Terri M. Valentine - September 03, 2024 at 03:18 PM

DM

“ *May God bless the Arlene's family at this time of grief.*



Doris Lewis McNeal - September 03, 2024 at 02:57 PM

MS

“ *My Prayers and Condolences to the Family*



Mary Louise Seay - September 03, 2024 at 01:18 PM

CB

“ *Carlotta Ward Bowser lit a candle in memory of Arlene A. Elliott*



Carlotta Ward Bowser - September 02, 2024 at 08:22 PM

CB

“ *My heart is broken to hear of my friend Arlene’s passing. Growing up, we were like family. Arlene gave her beautiful gift of song and praise serving God. To the family, I pray God arms wrap you with strength and peace during this difficult time. Love you all.*

Carlotta Ward Bowser - September 02, 2024 at 08:10 PM

DR

“ *Dianese Riddick lit a candle in memory of Arlene A. Elliott*



Dianese Riddick - September 02, 2024 at 01:17 PM

TE

“ *As Children we remember her as a Loving Mother, Wonderful Singer for the Lord. "His Eye is on the Sparrow". SHE LOVED GOD and people. The best Dresser. Great Seamstress . Just a Beautiful Spirit. Deeply Missed. Love, The Epps Family*

Terrance Epps - September 01, 2024 at 02:47 PM

TE

“ Terrance Epps lit a candle in memory of Arlene A. Elliott



Terrance Epps - September 01, 2024 at 02:34 PM

HB

“ My condolences to the Elliott family from the Browns family

Havonne brown - September 01, 2024 at 11:14 AM

SD

“ To my Godsisters & brother & entire Elliott & Askew family my prayers are with u always. Ma Arlene my Godmother I miss her & luv her so much. She will always be in my heart. She would pray with me & for me whenever I called her with whatever I was going through at the time. I will never forget her sewing & making me mask, my wedding veil & train to my dress or even making me hankerchief for church as she did for others throughout all her life. Can't forget her singing beautiful angelic voice as some of us if not most of us sung with her in the Angelic Voices Choir at New First Baptist Church Taylorsville. I could write a book about this extraordinary, beautiful Woman of God & there's no doubt in my mind she's up there rejoicing with her parents & siblings singing in the heavenly Choir once again & some members from the Angelic Voices. I'm going to miss calling u on ur birthday & Mother's Day. & Stopping by to check on u & ur Smiling face. I luv u Godmother Rest well until I see u again MA Arlene luv from ur Goddaughter Sebrena Daughtry & Family



Sebrena Daughtry - August 31, 2024 at 10:21 PM

BB

“ *Betty Butts lit a candle in memory of Arlene A. Elliott*



Betty Butts - August 31, 2024 at 08:38 PM

BB

“ *Another community family member who has taking her flight, my prayers to the family, she have won the battle and fought a good fight she has finished the race kept the faith and waiting on her crown. Rest now Arlene until we all meet again. The Ellis family and Betty Ellis Butts*

Betty Butts - August 31, 2024 at 08:37 PM

EG

“ *Condolences and prayers to the Elliott and Askew family. Cherish your love and memories.*

Earl and Vivian Roberts Gaskins - August 31, 2024 at 02:56 PM

JR

“ *Praying for the Family! May God Comfort and Bless You All!*



Joanne Ramseur - August 31, 2024 at 10:29 AM

BC

“ *Minister Elliott was a beautiful person and she never changed. I thank her for the many prayers she prayed for me and my family, and the times she sung at our love ones Homegoing Services. For my nephew Michael Harrington, she was his Guardian Angel. We all loved her, a Virtuous Woman of God. Rest in Peace my Friend and Confidant. Family, may God give you all peace, strength and comfort during this time of bereavement.*



Barbara E Cross - August 31, 2024 at 10:09 AM

PW

I loved her , When , I first went in the ministry she made my robe .She said Lucie this has to be special ,so she didn't stop until she found the material she wanted and then on the day of the service, the first person I saw in the audience was Arlene. That's who she was, she prayed while she sewed. Everything she made for me was anointed. She was a great supporter of every ministry she was a part of. The askew family is a very special family. I am praying for the family because she was a mother to so many.....With all my LovePastor Lucie Wright

Pastor Lucie Wright - September 03, 2024 at 08:18 PM