



## Rolandus "Duke" Garner

April 2, 1960 - May 6, 2013

Rolandus "Duke" Garner also known as Supersize, 53, of the 500 block of Truman Circle departed this life on Monday, May 6. He worked as a truck driver and as a security guard for Portsmouth Public Schools. Duke was a 6 year cancer survivor and a spokesperson for the VA Breast Cancer Foundation. He was also the president of Thunder and Lightening Motorcycle Club. Left to cherish his memory is his daughters, Corteya Banks and "Star" Monya Garner; two brothers, Matthew (Shane) Garner and Wayne Garner; three grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Viewing will be held from 2 pm until 5 pm on Saturday, May 11. A life celebration service will be held at 11am Monday, May 13 at First Baptist Church Camelot, 1008 Sir Lancelot Drive, Chesapeake with Rev. Cecil Wicker officiating. Burial will be in Jordan Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Winton, NC. The family has entrusted J. T. Fisher Funeral Services to handle the final care arrangements. Condolences can be offered to the family at [www.jtfisherneralservices.com](http://www.jtfisherneralservices.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Jordan Grove Baptist Church

Winton, NC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 11. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.  
Chesapeake, VA 23323  
(757) 487-3700  
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com  
<https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com>

## Service

MAY 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church, Camelot  
1008 Sir Lancelot Drive  
Chesapeake, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Rolandus "Duke" Garner



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**J. T. Fisher Funeral Services** - May 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ My deepest condolences to the Garner Family. May God bless and keep you during your hours of bereavement. You will be kept in prayer.

*Ethelyn Whitehead Holley*

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**Ethelyn Whitehead Holley** - May 14, 2013 at 09:28 PM



“ Ethelyn Whitehead Holley lit a candle in memory of Rolandus "Duke" Garner



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**Ethelyn Whitehead Holley** - May 14, 2013 at 09:15 PM


BL

“ To The Garner Family. You will always be in my prayers. Your brother was a jewel and comfort to me. On May 5, 2012 I lost my twin sister Faye Dawson to breast cancer. Whenever I talked with him he gave me such joy and comfort. I am going to miss our talks but God knows best. Brenda Lundy



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**Brenda Lundy** - May 12, 2013 at 10:49 PM

  
Stephen  
Williams

“ Ride In Peace Supersize. It was an honor to know you. Your knowledge and leadership will never be forgot. Your wisdom will truly be missed. Our prayers are with the entire family and friends.



*Stephen "Ghost" Williams  
Vice President Rydaz L.I.E (loyalty Is Everything)*

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**Stephen Williams** - May 12, 2013 at 05:10 PM

BJ

“ To the family of Rolandus "Duke" Garner, please accept my deepest condolences at this time. I hope you will cherish all those memories of yesteryears so that they may help you during this difficult time in your lives.



*A friend Boris Benton Jr.*

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**Boris Benton Jr.** - May 12, 2013 at 08:54 AM

DC

“ You were a good friend.



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**Donavan "Coop" Cooper** - May 11, 2013 at 12:36 PM

CS

“ To the Garner family, remember that Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. Duke is resting safe in the arm of his father. May the comfort and peace of God be with you all. We're praying for you.  
Carrie and Kevin



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**Carrie sherrod** - May 10, 2013 at 07:19 PM

VS

“ To the Garner Family,  
  
In your time of grief  
In your time of trial  
We are praying for you  
And you are in our thoughts

*Friendly Riders Motorcycle Club  
Sedley, VA  
Pres., Earl, the Pearl  
Sec., Val*

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**Valerie Scott** - May 10, 2013 at 04:58 PM

VS

“ *THERE SHALL BE NO MORE PAIN*

*Duke, You will TRULY be MISSED*

*Valerie S.  
Rolling for Life Volunteer*



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**Valerie Scott** - May 10, 2013 at 04:51 PM

CB

“ *To know you was a blessing! You will forever be missed!! Sending prayers of strength and comfort to the family during this time....*

*Chante' "Dimplez" Brinkley  
Fyne Dymez inc*

*Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day, Unseen, unheard, but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear. - Anonymous*

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**Chante' Brinkley** - May 10, 2013 at 04:32 PM

BJ

“ *Brenda Banks Johnson lit a candle in memory of Rolandus "Duke" Garner*



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**Brenda Banks Johnson** - May 10, 2013 at 02:27 PM

AH

“ Although words cannot begin to ease the sorrow of your loss, please know that you are in the thoughts of those who care. My prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.  
*Annette Howell Sprull*

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**A. Annette Howell-Sprull** - May 10, 2013 at 01:25 PM

KN

“ To the family members of Mr. Rolandus Garner: I am so sorry for your loss. May your many fine memories of your loved one bring you a measure of comfort during these trying times. Our loving Heavenly Father is the "God of all comfort" and he can and will help you through this difficult time because "he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:7)

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**K. Nichols** - May 10, 2013 at 10:12 AM

DL

“ Duke, it's still hard to comprehend that you're gone. You offered me words of comfort when I was in desperate need of comforting, and for that I will forever be grateful to have had the honor and privilege of knowing you. You gave me my riding name, ("Teach"), and as patriarch of the "Wawa" bunch, there is going to be an unfillable void now that you are gone. I know that you are now in heaven with a new body, and I'm sure a new bike. No doubt you would say that God rides a Goldwing, but I hope you look for me when it's my time to join you. I'll be on the Harley. I'm going to miss you brother.



*Darrell Lassiter, "Teach"*

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**Darrell Lassiter** - May 10, 2013 at 08:27 AM

LW

“ LINDA"lucy"DEBERRY WILSON lit a candle  
in memory of Rolandus "Duke" Garner



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**LINDA"lucy"DEBERRY WILSON** - May 09, 2013 at 06:28 PM

D"

“ To the Garner family ...

*Our deepest condolences to the family and many friends.  
"Supersize" was a brother and friend to our Organization as he and  
his club "Thunder and Lightning" always supported us .*

*You will be missed brother...you are in a better place ! Ride on ...*

*On behalf of the Hampton Roads Buffalo Soldiers*

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**David "Birdfan"Lindsey** - May 09, 2013 at 04:41 PM

JH

“ Juanita Harris-Jones lit a candle in memory of  
Rolandus "Duke" Garner



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**Juanita Harris-Jones** - May 09, 2013 at 03:08 PM

WP

“ *William Powell lit a candle in memory of Rolandus "Duke" Garner*



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**William Powell** - May 09, 2013 at 03:06 PM

WP

“ *Love lives on in the hearts of all who remember and care. I CARE !! Sharing your Sorrow and offering my deepest sympathy to the family.*

*William "Dubeau" Powell*

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**William Powell** - May 09, 2013 at 03:05 PM

TR

“ *Terry Raynor lit a candle in memory of Rolandus "Duke" Garner*



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**Terry Raynor** - May 09, 2013 at 12:59 PM

KD

“ *Duke was a wonderful spokesperson for breast cancer and was so supportive of our efforts to Educate, Advocate, Eradicate at the Virginia Breast Cancer Foundation through the local Hampton Roads Chapter and especially his leadership of the October motorcycle ride. He will be missed,*

*Katy Sawyer, on behalf of VBCF Board and Staff*

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**Katy Sawyer, VBCF Executive Director** - May 09, 2013 at 12:48 PM

RH

“*"Duke", what a gentle spirit and a kind soul. As Security Officer of the Noble Street Baptist Church, where you served for years, your presence added peace! As our friend and Breast Awareness Advocate your impact on the congregation and community will always be felt..Your motorcycle club was prayed for a couple of weeks ago, you were anointed for your homegoing.*

*God's continued comfort and peace*

*Rev.Reva Holt*

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**Rev. Reva Holt** - May 09, 2013 at 10:51 AM



Catherine  
Hodges II

“*To the garner family, my prayers are with you. Duke grew to be more like a big brother to me, and my children regarded him as Uncle Duke. I will miss his wisdom tremendously and seeing him on his bike and with the gang at Wawa. "I love you, Bro"*

*Cathy Hodges*

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**Catherine Hodges II** - May 09, 2013 at 08:49 AM

JH

“ *What a fellowship, what a joy divine, Leaning on the everlasting arms: O how bright the path grows from day to day, Leaning on the everlasting arms. (Hoffman)*

*To the Family- It was a fellowship we all will remember and a joy to have had "Duke" as a friend and member of Hampton Roads Chapter VBCF. With God's strength behind you and His arms beneath you, you can face whatever lies ahead of you. We are here for you doing this time.*

*Juanita Harris-Jones*

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**Juanita Harris-Jones** - May 09, 2013 at 08:27 AM

CS

“ *Supersize DUKE "Rolandus" Thank you for sharing the message of Breast Health!*

*As my Biker Buddy and Survivor friend, I will miss you!*

*"I've heard it said that people come into our lives for a reason  
Bringing something we must learn*

*And we are led to those who help us most to grow*

*If we let them and we help them in return."*

*Hugs Charlene: Beyond Boobs Southside*

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**Charlene Cattoi, Beyond Boobs Southside** - May 08, 2013 at 08:33 PM

LA

“ *The "Dukester" a brother from another mother! Your vivatious, happy go lucky personality will definitely be missed as well as a bait stealing fishing buddy! :-)*

*Much Love, Tony, Vel & Chris Ashburn*



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**LaVelda Ashburn** - May 08, 2013 at 03:02 PM

DI

“ Dr. Thomas "Eclipse" Springs, II purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Rolandus "Duke" Garner.



Dr. Thomas "Eclipse" Springs, II - May 07, 2013 at 09:54 PM

DI

“ R.I.P. Duke aka Super Size, you were loved by many and you will truly be missed by all who ever met you. I know you will look over those left behind who love to ride on 2s. God added a Angel to His Army.



Dr. Thomas E. Springs, II  
Founder Kurve Ryderz

Dr. Thomas E. Springs, II - May 07, 2013 at 09:38 PM



“ R. I. P. DUKE YOU WILL BE MISSED



Jackie Wilson - May 07, 2013 at 08:36 AM

CW

"SUPE" Your So Missed already, It's not gonna be the same going to WaWa without you being there..... Love You Bro

Carl Wheeler - May 07, 2013 at 08:50 PM



*Duke, I'm extremely grateful that we had a chance to meet you my brother and for speaking at our first event ever as a Breast Cancer organization. You were a true WARRIOR in every sense of the word and we will never, ever forget why we will continue to battle this most terrible disease and eradicate every form of Cancer known to man! R.I.P, my brother!*

*SFC(R) Keith A. Collins, MBA/MPSM  
Families Who Support Breast Cancer Survivors, Inc.  
Founder/CEO*

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**Keith Collins** - May 07, 2013 at 08:52 PM