



Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe

October 11, 1955 - March 6, 2024

Today, we face one of God's beautifully orchestrated moments, the transition of life. 2 Corinthians 5:8 says, 'We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.' Our God, with His infinite grace and love, gives us the assurance that joy will come in the morning.

The heavens opened up in the early morning hours of March 6, 2024, to receive Barbara Ann Ellerbe, aged 68. She was surrounded by her family at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center as she transitioned from her earthly realm. Anyone who knew her would agree that it is impossible to define the genuine love she had for her family. Her calm and nurturing spirit, and her quiet strength, brought comfort and solace to those around her.

Barbara Ellerbe was born on October 11, 1955, in Fayetteville, NC, to Leo Barney, Sr., and Lula Jane Barney. She gave her life to the Lord at an early age when she was baptized at Simon Temple AME Zion Church. She was a member of the class of 1973 at Seventy-First High School. In June of 1982, she married the love of her life, William Ellerbe, Sr. In 1987, they were stationed at Pirmasens, Germany, and upon their return to the United States, they resided again in Fayetteville, NC.

Barbara was employed by Ruby Tuesday until she retired in 2023. Through her work, she had the chance to indulge in one of her greatest passions: cooking. She was excellent at her craft, and anyone lucky enough to enjoy her food would attest to this. Barbara loved baking multi-layered cakes,

decadent desserts, and savory food for her family and friends. Her love of cooking was only surpassed by the love for her family and friends. Barbara also possessed an extraordinary gift for engaging conversation, effortlessly connecting with anyone on any topic.

She was preceded in death by her father, Leo Barney, Sr., and sister, Gwendolyn Derrick. She leaves to mourn a loving and devoted husband, William Ellerbe, Sr., and a loving mother, Lula Jane Barney, of Fayetteville, two daughters, Tonya Ellerbe-Williams and Ebony Warfield-Graham (Eric) of Fayetteville, NC, three sons, Duane Ellerbe (Candace) of San Antonio, TX, William Ellerbe Jr. of St. Louis, MO, and Charles Ellerbe (Tracee) of Charlotte, NC, three sisters, Peggy Lowe, Carolyn McNair (John) both of Fayetteville, NC, Robin Stewart (Kevin) of Tappahannock, VA, and four brothers, Joe Lindsey (Delphine), Donald Barney (Debra), Leo Barney, Jr. of Fayetteville, NC, and Gary Barney (Deseria) of Chesterfield, VA.

Also, left behind to cherish her memory are her grandchildren, Marcus Washington, Khyrah Harding-Heslip (Lamont), Dezjah Watkins, Luis Ellerbe (Katherine), Kierra Garrett, Isaiah Williams, Kaleah Perry, Jasmine Ellerbe, Maya McNeill, Christian Ellerbe, Charles Ellerbe Jr., Marquise Warfield-Graham (J'Mya), and Simone Warfield-Graham, Great-Grandchildren, Makhai Harding-Heslip, and Noah Leo Watkins, and a host of brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Simon Temple AME Zion Church Cemetery

Fayetteville, NC

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Simon Temple A.M.E. Zion Church
5760 Yadkin Rd.
Fayetteville, NC

Funeral

MAR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - March 12, 2024 at 09:54 AM

MH

“ MARVIN LYRONE HARGROVE lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe



MARVIN LYRONE HARGROVE - March 16, 2024 at 04:49 PM

DM

Miss you Aunt Barbara Love you too 🥹💕 Call me 💕🥹💕🥹

Dorothy Milbourne - July 14, 2024 at 02:28 PM

JB

“ Prayers from the Bolden-Ray family



James Bolden - March 11, 2024 at 08:43 PM

CM

“ Chrystal M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

Chrystal M. - March 11, 2024 at 02:05 PM

TC

“ The Barney-McMillan Cousins purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



The Barney-McMillan Cousins - March 11, 2024 at 01:59 PM

TC

“ The Barney-McMillan Cousins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

The Barney-McMillan Cousins - March 11, 2024 at 01:59 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



March 11, 2024 at 01:04 PM

DK

“ Oma you were the sweetest person I ever met. You treated everyone like family. I will miss you dearly. Love Dayna

Dayna Kemp - March 11, 2024 at 10:30 AM

AJ

“ Rest in heaven Barbara! Condolences to the family!

Arlene Johnson and Family



Arlene Johnson - March 11, 2024 at 09:31 AM

LJ

“ To Tonya and family, I send my Love and Condolences. I lost my mom this time last year on 3-21-2023, so I can witness to the Pain. With time the pain will become manageable because it never goes away. Continue to live to live again and you will be with her for Eternity. Take care of you and may the God of our Salvation continue to walk with you and comfort you.
Ms. LaVonna Armstrong Johnson



LaVonna Armstrong Johnson - March 10, 2024 at 11:52 PM

CO

“ Capt Tavaruss Campbell & 2Lt Britney Orr purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



Capt Tavaruss Campbell & 2Lt Britney Orr - March 10, 2024 at 05:28 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



March 10, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ Alyssa B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

Alyssa B. - March 10, 2024 at 09:25 AM



“ The Bolden Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



The Bolden Family - March 10, 2024 at 12:21 AM



“ Our condolences to the family. We will keep the family in our prayers.

Sarah Lowe - March 09, 2024 at 10:14 AM



“ Sarah Lowe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe



Sarah Lowe - March 09, 2024 at 10:10 AM



“ I first met Barbara at TOPS #57 Fayetteville a few years ago. Barbara was friendly, engaging, sweet, kind, generous. We became family and friends in our chapter. She was a beautiful, intelligent, and giving person. We all had fun, laughter, and shared experiences. I will miss Barbara. Rest beloved.❤️ my deepest sympathy and condolences to her family. ~Delores Leach TOPS PAL #57 FAYETTEVILLE



Delores Leach - March 09, 2024 at 09:46 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



March 09, 2024 at 08:14 AM



“ Curtis and Natalie Simmons planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

Curtis and Natalie Simmons - March 09, 2024 at 08:14 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



March 08, 2024 at 10:44 PM



“ 156 Aeromedical Evacuation Sq. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

156 Aeromedical Evacuation Sq. - March 08, 2024 at 10:44 PM



“ Terry and Desiree Cook purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



Terry and Desiree Cook - March 08, 2024 at 06:29 PM



“ Terry and Desiree Cook planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

Terry and Desiree Cook - March 08, 2024 at 06:29 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



March 08, 2024 at 03:28 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.



March 08, 2024 at 12:58 PM



“ From your PT78 Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.

From your PT78 Family - March 08, 2024 at 12:58 PM



“ A close school friend of mine from elementary on over into high school...Condolences to the whole family during this hard period of time.

Joyce Ray - March 08, 2024 at 12:40 PM

JR

“ *Joyce Ray lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe*



Joyce Ray - March 08, 2024 at 12:36 PM

JJ

“ *To the family of Barbara, she was such a beautiful person,*

Janice Johnson - March 08, 2024 at 12:20 PM

WL

“ *William And Sarah Lowe lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe*



William and Sarah lowe - March 08, 2024 at 11:37 AM

MB

My sincere, condolance, to Barbara Ann Ellerbe , Family.

I pray, God gives you STRENGTH, PEACE ,COMFORT,AND UNDERSTANDING, ALWAYS KNOW GOD IS WITH YOU.SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS

Barbara,will truley be missed,she had a sweet sweet spirit,she would help you any way she could.

We lived on opposite end of the neighborhood, she always knew who you was , she would always speak, and had a smile.

Know I'm praying your family and you're in my prayers !!!

May your light continue to to shine!!!



Marcia Burrus - March 12, 2024 at 11:30 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.*



March 07, 2024 at 08:36 PM



“ *Darren & Zeretha Brickhouse planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Barbara Ann Ellerbe.*

Darren & Zeretha Brickhouse - March 07, 2024 at 08:36 PM