



## Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber

February 2, 1937 - August 5, 2021

### Obituary

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, and I have kept the faith.

1 Timothy 4:7

Dorothy Lee Hawkins Barber (Bluchie), 84, of Fayetteville, NC, was called from labor

to reward on Thursday, August 5, 2021, at Cape Fear Valley Medical Center.

She was

born February 2, 1937, in Wilmington, NC to Erma Boone Gerald. Norman and Annie

Hawkins of Kellumtown, NC, raised Dorothy along with three children of their own

(namely the late Dorothy Rae, Dolphus and Maceo).

Dorothy was married to the late Johnny Barber, Belgrade, NC. She gave birth to 11

children and helped raise many more. At an early age, Dorothy received Christ at First

Baptist Church, Kellumtown, NC where she served on the junior usher board, the junior

and senior choirs. She eventually relocated from Kellumtown, NC to Kinston, NC in

the early 60's to allow her children to experience better opportunities in the big

city of

Kinston, NC, which we realized it was only “BIG” in relation to Kellumtown, NC. In

Kinston, NC, she worked as a seamstress at Albain Shirt Factory and Kinston Shirt Factory.

Dorothy moved to Fayetteville, NC in the early 80’s to bring the family closer to her

daughters who had relocated there. She quickly became an active member at Mt. Olive

Missionary Baptist Church. She sang in the senior choir and took care of the church’s

laundry. She worked as a seamstress at Kings Point, and as a presser at Parker’s Cleaners in Fayetteville, NC.

Dorothy was a loving woman who touched many lives. She was the community mom;

the neighborhood “go-to” for children and adults alike. She never turned anyone

away whether they needed an ear to listen, a shoulder to lean on, a prayer, words of

encouragement, a bite to eat, a place to sleep or whatever the need. She loved everyone

and everyone loved her.

She is survived by seven (7) children: Johnnie Hawkins (Rose), Spring Lake, NC, Kent

Barber, Fayetteville, NC, Evelyn Barber, Greensboro, NC, Laura (Larry) Williams,

Forstell, MO, Jerome Barber (Phyllis), Fayetteville, NC, Alison Williams, Hope Mills, NC

and Sterling Brown, Trenton, NJ. She is also survived by 26 grandchildren:

Roosevelt

Whitehead, Jr., Antuan Hawkins, Keisha Jones, Janita Jones, Tammy (George) Newman, Shamika (Calvin) Mack, Christopher Williams, Jr., Carlos (LaTonya) Bruton, Clifton

Colvin, Jr. Colian Spight, DeShaun Spight, Keosha (Adam) Graham, Christopher Brown

(Ashley), Jerome Dorsey, Ezekiel Barber, Menzola Barber, Isaiah Barber, Jerrell Williams,

Edwin Robinson, Derek Becton, LaQuanda Barber, Antuan Barber, Marquita Hawkins,

Vershanti Walker, Videll Dorsey, Ethel Dorsey. She is also survived by four sisters: Barbara

Winn, Linda Henderson, Rosalind Stanley and Gloria Gerald, all of Jacksonville, NC.

She is preceded in death by five children, Sandra Hawkins, Yvonne Downing, Stephanie

Bruton Bell, Norman Barber and Yul Barber; four siblings, Annie Whitehead, William

Boone, Samuel Gerald and Charles Gerald. She leaves 34 great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild, and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives

# Previous Events

## Viewing

AUG **13**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Colvin Funeral Home Chapel  
2010 Murchison Road  
Fayetteville, NC 28301

## Livestreaming

AUG **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Facebook: Colvin Funeral Home and Crematory-Fayetteville & Lumberton  
<https://www.facebook.com/ColvinFuneralHomeCORP/>

## Service

AUG **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Colvin Funeral Home Chapel  
2010 Murchison Road  
Fayetteville, NC 28301

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber*



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**H. M. Colvin Funeral Home** - August 19, 2021 at 03:32 PM

SW

“ *Sharon G Watkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber*



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**Sharon G Watkins** - September 15, 2021 at 10:06 PM

KL

“ *There are no words to tell you how sorry I am. JB Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. God bless*

*Pastor Kenneth and Brenda Lowery  
Grace Gathering Ministries*

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**Kenneth Lowery** - August 14, 2021 at 09:11 AM

AW

“ To Rev. Roosevelt Whitehead and Family, I offer my deepest condolences. May God continue to give you the strength you need to endure. Find peace in knowing that He is with you, and that your grandmother is now with her Lord and Savior. Continue to celebrate her legacy and beautiful memories you have shared. May God bless each of you.

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**Anica Whitfield** - August 14, 2021 at 06:28 AM

PL

“ Pastor Kenneth & Brenda Lowery lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber



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**Pastor Kenneth & Brenda Lowery** - August 13, 2021 at 04:24 PM

LH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, Grandma Dorothy was a beautiful person and a blessing to us all, she will be missed greatly. The lord has a new Angel in heaven that will forever glow. Lawrence and Bettina Hill and family.

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**Lawrence and Bettina Hill** - August 12, 2021 at 10:01 PM

RT

“ To the Boone, Hawkins and Barber Families.

*The Tree of life has many branches and a strong branch has fallen from the base and from us all.*

*It is with great sadness to witness the final chapter of our beloved cousin, Blue, who we grew up and laughed with, loved deeply and got into trouble with. God had a purpose for her life, one we may never understand, but will accept. Rest cousin in the arms of your creator because now we know you are amongst the STARS.*

*On behalf of the Tyrance Family, we send our love and prayers.*

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**Renee Tyrance-Gauff** - August 12, 2021 at 08:15 PM



“ Shamika Mack purchased the Deepest Faith for the family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.



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**Shamika Mack** - August 11, 2021 at 01:30 PM



“ Grandma I’m going to miss our late night talks on the phone and you saying(” you sleep “)and you the one really snoring off and on.I will miss your stories of when you was a growing up and those countless and daily voicemails I received from you.I will miss your beautiful smile , your soft but fine voice ,when spoken it captivated with authority and touched my ❤️.I will miss the memories of all the good collards,fried chicken, kneck bones,, pig feet, cabbage,, beans,fish,ham,pies,cakes all the your delicious soul food dishes people would come by to get plates to eat.I was thankful and blessed to have a mother in my life like you much more than role of your average grandma. You already knew it , because I told you so many times I how much I appreciated you and gave you your flowers and luv and I wouldn’t be the woman I am today if wasn’t for you .I luv you so much Mama💔💔💔💔💔😭😭😭 Rest In Peace 🌹🌹

Shamika Mack - August 11, 2021 at 01:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.



August 11, 2021 at 12:18 PM



“ Grandma, thank you for your love prayers and support down through the years. You are missed dearly. Your oldest grand, Roosevelt Whitehead.



Rev. Roosevelt Whitehead - August 11, 2021 at 11:13 AM

SU

*IM REALLY GOING TO MISS YOU AUNT BLOUCHIE WE HAVE HAD SOOOOO MANY WONDER TIMES AND TALKS YOU SHIWed ME HOW TO LOOK GOOD FIX MY HAIR NEAT AND TO ALWAYS SMELL GOOD I WILL NEVER EVER FORGET YOU YESSS I CRIED BECAUSE I AM THE CRY BABY OF THE FAMILY YOUR NEICE  
SHIRLEY ANN UZZELL*

**Shirley uzzell** - August 14, 2021 at 10:58 PM



*Shirley, mom loved you. We love you too. Laura and the rest of the family.*

**Laura Williams** - August 30, 2021 at 06:26 PM



*“ Grandma i will cherish your your love and blessings forever. Rest eternity my Big Bluchie Blue 💔💔💔🕊️🕊️*



**Shamika Mack** - August 11, 2021 at 02:29 AM



*“ Mosaic of Memories Square Easel Wreath was purchased for the family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.*



August 11, 2021 at 02:24 AM

ZE

“ *Mama im gonna always carry you with me  
and will never forget your beautiful laugh and  
glowing smile  
Coco gone miss you even more love you  
mama finally your at peace*



**zeka** - August 10, 2021 at 11:47 PM

JJ

“ *Janita Jones purchased the Enchanted Cottage  
for the family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.*



**Janita Jones** - August 09, 2021 at 10:35 PM

AB

“ *Adonis, Stephanie and Breyanna Bruton  
purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the  
family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.*



**Adonis, Stephanie and Breyanna Bruton** - August 09, 2021 at  
09:08 PM

CB

“ *Carlos and Latonya Bruton purchased the Laven  
der Reflections Spray for the family of Ms.  
Dorothy Lee Barber.*



**Carlos and Latonya Bruton** - August 09, 2021 at 09:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.*



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August 09, 2021 at 08:00 PM



“ *My condolences to John and family! May your Mother rest easy now with the Lord. Earth has no sorrow that Heaven can not heal!* 💜🙏💛  
*🌸 Edna D Bodnel, San Antonio, Texas*



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**Edna Akua DuPree** - August 09, 2021 at 06:39 PM



“ *With deepest condolences and sincerest sympathy we are keeping Laura and entire Barber family in our collective thoughts and prayers.*

*The Kinston High School Class of 1979*

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**KHS '79** - August 09, 2021 at 06:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber.*



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August 09, 2021 at 06:30 PM

K1

“ Sincere condolences to you John on the transition of your Mother. The Kinston High School Class of 1974 grieve with you. Hold onto the beautiful memories of your mom, a life well lived. Mrs Dorothy is resting in The Arms of GOD in her new Heavenly Home. 🙏❤️💛

KHS CLASS OF 1974 - August 09, 2021 at 03:08 PM

RO

“ GRANDMA, I am going to miss you but I will cherish every moment I had especially being your oldest grand. LOVE YOU

Roosevelt - August 09, 2021 at 12:02 PM



What about her most handsome grandson? lol

Laura Williams - August 30, 2021 at 06:28 PM

RO

“ Roosevelt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber



Roosevelt - August 09, 2021 at 11:55 AM

AB

“ Adonis Bruton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber



Adonis Bruton - August 09, 2021 at 11:39 AM

SB

“ Stephanie Bruton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber



Stephanie Bruton - August 09, 2021 at 11:38 AM

BB

“ Breyanna Bruton lit a candle in memory of Ms. Dorothy Lee Barber



Breyanna Bruton - August 09, 2021 at 11:37 AM

CB

“ Love you grandma



Carlos Bruton - August 09, 2021 at 11:37 AM

CM

“ Love you grandma



Carlos and Latonya Murphy - August 09, 2021 at 11:35 AM

AF

“ *My prayers to the Barber family, Ms. Dorothy Barber was my heart, seeing her every week brought Joy to my heart. She will truly be missed. RIH my dear friend*

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**Annie Faulk** - August 09, 2021 at 11:07 AM