



Carolyn Stripling

March 19, 1937 - December 14, 2022

Carolyn Stripling, age 85, passed away at her home on December 14, 2022 in Knoxville, TN. Carolyn was an active member of the First United Methodist Church and The Harry Orio Sunday School Class. A graduate of Alamo High School in 1955, she attended UT Martin and later graduated from Union University as a Registered Nurse. She is survived by her children, Dr. Andrew Douglass (Veronica) of Knoxville, TN, Jim Douglass (Cindy) of Florence, AL, Molly Elkins (Jim) of Canton, GA, Dr. Mark Stripling (Peggy) of Jonesboro, AR, Rena Lewis (David) of Lexington, TN, and Stacye Fisher (James) of Martin, TN; grandchildren, Dr. John Douglass (Jennifer) of Knoxville, TN, Karen Douglass of Knoxville, TN, Katie Cochran (David) of Boise, ID, Abby Ratliff (Jimmy) of Canton, GA, Carly Elkins of Canton, GA, Ruthie Ekins of Canton, GA, Samantha Douglass of Florence, AL, Thomas Douglass of Florence, AL, Jacob Stripling (Jennifer) of Hernando, MS, Seth Stripling (Faith) of Lynchburg, VA, Zack Stripling of Melbourne, FL, Dana Stripling of Newport News, VA, Matt Stripling (Brandon) of Jonesboro, AK, Katie Tannehill (Bryan) of Cave Springs, AR, Benjamin Lewis (Lauren) of Lexington, TN, Adam Lewis (Sophie) of Lexington, TN, Dr. Jake Lewis (Kaci) of Dyersburg, TN, Bryant Fisher (Amy) of Nashville, TN, and Andrew Fisher (Jenna) of Marietta, GA; 23 great grandchildren; brother in law, Jere Stripling (Corinne) of Monroe, LA; sister-in-law, Betty Stripling of Wildwood, FL; cousin, Laverne Boone of Jackson, TN; sister-in-law, Bonnie Gaba of Knoxville, TN; nieces, Teresa Cobb of Jackson, TN, Cindy Hatcher (Derrick) of Knoxville, TN, Taryn

Logan of Denver, CO, Kanda Pullara of Denver, CO, Mary Ann Thornton (Roy) of Jacksonville, FL, and Nancy Moss of Montgomery, AL; nephew, Todd Thornton (Carrie) of St. Augustine, FL. Carolyn was preceded in death by her husband, Dr. Jack Clements Stripling; her parents, Martin and Sue Gaba; sister, Eloise Couch; brothers, Dr. William Gaba, Joseph Wilton Gaba, Grayson Gaba, Dr. James Gaba, and John Robert Gaba; step son, Dr. Mike Stripling; brother-in-law, Jon Stripling; nephews, Eddie Gaba and Brett Thornton; and cousins, Margie Martin and Ann Garrett. Carolyn was a long-time member of First United Methodist Church of Lexington, TN. Services and visitation to be held at the church on Saturday, December 17th with visitation of friends and family starting at 2PM and Memorial Service at 3PM followed immediately by interment in Lexington Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family has requested that memorials be given to First United Methodist Church in Lexington at 27 East Church St. Lexington, TN 38351.

Tribute Wall

JH

“ *I have admired and respected Carolyn for many years. She will be missed by all who knew her.*

Jamella Hayes - December 19, 2022 at 03:51 AM

GR

“ *Our deepest condolences to the Stripling family. It was a joy to live in Carolyn's neighborhood. Peace be with you all. -Jenny and Grady (1143)*



Grady Regas - December 18, 2022 at 01:57 PM



“ *Carolyn will be missed by her Knoxville friends and neighbors. She was a good friend and fun bridge partner. God's blessings on all who loved her. Judy James*



Judith James - December 16, 2022 at 11:11 PM

NW

“ *Carolyn was a dear neighbor and friend. I told her often she was the epitome of a Southern Belle. Her wonderful smile and quick wit shall be missed terribly. Prayers to each of you during this difficult time. ~ Joe & Nancy Whitehead*

Nancy Whitehead - December 16, 2022 at 07:23 PM

RT

“ Ryan And Danielle Trang lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Stripling



Ryan and Danielle Trang - December 16, 2022 at 06:59 PM

SV

“ Steve And Elizabeth Vineyard lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Stripling



Steve and Elizabeth Vineyard - December 16, 2022 at 05:52 PM

EA

“ Eddie Akins lit a candle in memory of Carolyn Stripling



Eddie Akins - December 16, 2022 at 11:59 AM

 Bonnie Seawright

“ Competing previous message Carolyn was a proud example of a current FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE GALE NURSE 🙏🙏🙏 RIP sweet friend!

Bonnie Seawright - December 16, 2022 at 11:01 AM



“ *Prayers for Carolyn’s Family & Friends
Carolyn was like a Family Member without a
birth certificate! I admired her & respected her
nursing capabilities & her leadership abilities e
we err*



Bonnie Seawright - December 16, 2022 at 10:57 AM



“ *Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of
Carolyn Stripling*



Barbara Willis - December 16, 2022 at 12:26 AM



So sorry for your loss ,prayers for all.

Barbara Willis - December 16, 2022 at 12:28 AM



“ *Janice Houston lit a candle in memory of
Carolyn Stripling*



Janice Houston - December 15, 2022 at 06:12 PM



*Carolyn was a very kind and sweet lady. We rode to Union when we
were in nursing school and latter we worked at the hospital together.*

Janice Houston - December 15, 2022 at 06:16 PM

SD

“ *My condolences to my entire family. Carolyn Stripling was my Granny, and she was a wonderful, gentle, and generous woman. She will be missed by the entire family.*



Samantha Douglass - December 15, 2022 at 02:05 PM

TA

“ *Our condolences for Bobby Ayers and family.*



Teresa Ayers - December 15, 2022 at 01:20 PM

PB

“ *Carolyn and I have a special friendship since the 50s. Even though we both moved to separate cities as we grew older, we have kept regular phone conversations, encouraging each other and still laughing together. I will miss this dear friend.*

Pat Brooks - December 15, 2022 at 12:05 PM