



Kaye Carter Foster

September 16, 1946 - October 16, 2024

Kaye Carter Foster, of Beech Bluff, Tennessee, passed away on October 16, 2024 in her home surrounded by family and friends at the age of 78. She lived an adventurous and full life. She dedicated her life to educating elementary school age children and had a true passion for it, as she was beloved by her students. She also absolutely loved to travel and create life experiences and memories, with her favorite type of travel being cruises.

Kaye was born on September 16, 1946, in Saltillo, Tennessee. She grew up in Sardis, Tennessee, with her older brothers Van and Don and little sister Sharon (deceased). She attended Bethel College where she gained her undergraduate degree and teaching certificate. She met and fell in love with Richard Foster, eventually getting married during their senior year at Bethel. Subsequently, she gained her Masters in Education from Memphis State University. She began her teaching career at a small school in Clarksburg, Tennessee for one year. After which, she began teaching at Caywood Elementary in Lexington, Tennessee, where she taught for most of her career. Later, after two years of early retirement and missing teaching, she resumed work at Trinity Christian Academy in Jackson, Tennessee where she finished a lifetime career of education. She spent most of her free time during those years supporting her husband Richard as Lexington High School's head girls basketball coach. Her children joke that they grew up on concession stand food. Many remember her for being an adamant supporter of her husband and

his basketball teams over the years.

Kaye and Richard retired from education/coaching the same year and began their retired phase of life together. They focused on time with family including helping raise four grandchildren in Nashville and traveling with friends and family. Their favorite trips were spent on Royal Caribbean cruise ships sharing meals at the Captains table and hitting new coastal destinations making new friends along the way. As many know, Kaye never met a stranger. In addition, she was a tremendous cook and baker. Her love language was “acts of service”, and she was always ready to help those in need.

She is survived by her husband, Richard Foster, her daughter Charity Elizabeth Foster (Bill) McConnell of Brentwood, Tennessee, her son Ryan (April) Foster of Jackson, Tennessee; two brothers Van (Dianne) Carter of Saltillo, Tennessee and Don (Reba) Carter of Jackson, Tennessee; four grandchildren Foster McConnell, Nolan Foster, Logan Foster, and Lila Kate Foster. She was preceded in death by her parents; Paul and Pauline Carter of Sardis, Tennessee, and her sister; Sharon Carter.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, October 20th at 2PM at Reed’s Chapel in Lexington, Tennessee. Visitation will be Saturday, October 19th also at Reed’s Chapel from 6PM-9PM and Sunday at 1PM until time of service.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials be made to St. Jude Children’s Research hospital, her favorite charitable organization.

Tribute Wall

PF

“ *Sorry for your lost couch foster*



Peggy Fitzpatrick - November 02, 2024 at 10:39 PM

GH

“ *Sorry for your loss Coach Foster.*

Greg Henderson - October 23, 2024 at 09:28 PM

RS

“ *Rhonda Sanders sent a virtual gift in memory of Kaye Carter Foster*



Rhonda Sanders - October 20, 2024 at 06:32 PM

LE

“ *Linda Elam lit a candle in memory of Kaye Carter Foster*



Linda Elam - October 20, 2024 at 03:54 PM

WB

“ Whitney and Jared Brooks purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Kaye Carter Foster.



Whitney and Jared Brooks - October 19, 2024 at 10:47 AM

WB

“ Whitney and Jared Brooks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaye Carter Foster.

Whitney and Jared Brooks - October 19, 2024 at 10:47 AM

DR

“ Dwayne Reeves lit a candle in memory of Kaye Carter Foster



Dwayne Reeves - October 19, 2024 at 05:33 AM

BW

“ Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Kaye Carter Foster



Barbara Willis - October 19, 2024 at 12:17 AM

DW

“ Donald and Sandra Williams purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Kaye Carter Foster.



Donald and Sandra Williams - October 18, 2024 at 04:23 PM

DW

“ Donald and Sandra Williams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaye Carter Foster.

Donald and Sandra Williams - October 18, 2024 at 04:23 PM

RB

“ Kaye was a wonderful person and a wonderful friend. She will be greatly missed.
Robert & Brenda Briley

Robert Briley - October 18, 2024 at 04:21 PM

FF

“ Franklin Dermatology Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Kaye Carter Foster.



Franklin Dermatology Family - October 18, 2024 at 09:55 AM

JP

“ *Kaye became a member of my family the moment she married my cousin Richard. She was a very special lady and a beloved member of our family. Richard, Elizabeth and Ryan, you have my deepest condolences and deepest sympathy. She will always be imprinted on my heart.*

Love, Cousin Jane Presson



Jane Presson - October 17, 2024 at 08:07 PM

BB

Kay will be deeply missed. She was a joy to be around. I'm so thankful we had the Barlowe cousins' reunion. All of you are special to me.

Barbara Barlowe Barber

Barbara Barber - October 17, 2024 at 08:23 PM

FB

We were fortunate to be with Kaye on two cruises. She was one of the sweetest Southern ladies we ever met. We miss her already.

Fred Borgmann - October 18, 2024 at 10:28 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Kaye Carter Foster.*



October 17, 2024 at 07:03 PM

MM

“ Mary M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kaye Carter Foster.

Mary M. - October 17, 2024 at 07:03 PM

PW

“ Kaye was such a cheerful and kind-hearted person. She will be remembered!

Prayers for her family, Peggy Wentworth

Peggy Wentworth - October 17, 2024 at 06:00 PM