



## Carolyne Creola Pate

July 9, 1941 - November 3, 2023

Carolyne Creola, Burroughs, Pate, 82, gained her wings for her journey home on November 3, 2023. She was preceded in death by her son, Roderick L Pate, her grandson chance, Pate, her parents, Wilbur, and Nancy Burroughs, her sister, Eva, Irby, and her two brothers, Willie and Moses Burroughs. Carolyne was born in Kingstree South Carolina on July 9, 1941 to Wilbur and Nancy Cooper Burroughs. Her family relocated to Charlotte, North Carolina when Caroline was a young child. She graduated from West Charlotte high school with honors. She went on to Durham business college where she graduated with honors with an associate degree in business. She later went on to John C Smith University, where she graduated with a Bachelor's degree in English, and a minor in foreign studies, concentrating in French. While attending Johnson C Smith, there was a rumor going around campus that everyone had to go to this church to hear this young preacher. Caroline went to hear this preacher over off campus Street because everyone said he sounded like Martin Luther King Jr. And after she heard him, speak; she never stopped going to hear this Reverend preach. In 1963 Carolyne married Carwell Pate on October 12, and from this union six kids were born and raised Pamela, Kevin, Carlisa, Roderick (deceased), Patrick, and Rhonda. Carolyne's desire for her children was that they become God loving and productive members of society. She tirelessly provided and nurtured her children by constantly pouring into them a love for God, education, and the arts. It was through those fundamental principles Carolyne provided her

children, they were able to press toward their dreams. In 1968, Carolyn began working for the United States Postal Service when she worked until her retirement. Caroline leaves to cherish her loving memory, her children: Pamela Pate – Franklin (Donald), Kevin Pate (Shawnett), Calisa Pate- Epps (Anthony), Patrick L Pate, Rhonda Pate Stinson, one sister, Virginia Hollingsworth, twelve grandchildren, and nineteen great grandchildren, as well as a host of loving nieces, nephews, family and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church  
7237 Tuckaseegee Road  
Charlotte, NC

## Celebration of Life Service

NOV **10**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Carlisa Pate-Epps lit a candle in memory of  
Carolyne Pate*



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**Carlisa Pate-Epps** - December 10, 2023 at 07:51 AM

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“ *Dearest Cousins my heart is with you on this day. I regret that I can't  
be with you but know that I feel that she is in a better place and no  
longer suffering. Know how much she loved you all and how proud  
she was of you all. She lives to see 3 generations, which was truly a  
gift from the Almighty Himself. I love you.*

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**Natrona Davis** - November 10, 2023 at 12:17 PM

ME

“ *Carlisa and family. Mom is not here in body but in spirit. She is with  
us in 3 places. Our hearts, our mind and our souls. Comfort for the  
family. In Jesus name Amen 🙏. Your family from NYC. The Epps,  
Harris, Boone's. God bless. 🕯️*

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**Michael Epps** - November 09, 2023 at 10:15 PM