



## Virginia R. Bynum

February 20, 1927 - May 7, 2026

Virginia (Jenny) Rainey Bynum was born on February 20, 1927 in Charlotte, North Carolina, and lived to be 99 years of age. She was the daughter of the late Ida Bell Rainey and Isaac Peterson. She was preceded in death by her son Waddell (Fat) Bynum, Jr., sister Willie Mae (Wit) Rainey, brother James (Joe/Boy) Rainey, and former husband Waddell Bynum, Sr. “Jenny” has lived in the historic Cherry Community since she was five years old. She attended the historic Morgan Elementary School and Second Ward High School. She loved sitting on the front porch waving to neighbors, talking to friends on the phone and having them stop by for a visit or meal. She also loved shopping, traveling, and going to the casino. She was a member of Ben Salem Presbyterian Church, where she worked faithfully, especially during the time of the “Old Ben Salem” and was committed to supporting her church financially, even after she was unable to attend every Sunday. “Jenny” loved her church family and looked forward to attending Homecoming Celebrations each year. She was a great cook and enjoyed cooking her delicious pies and cakes, and her special barbecue pigs feet. She retired from “The Cherry Community Organization” (CCO) as a Property Manager. She was the President of the Board of Directors for CCO for many years and gave so much of her time and service to the organization and community. She loved Cherry and Cherry loved her! She also worked as a housekeeper for several families and as a machine operator for Whiting and Fruehauf. “Jenny” is survived by her daughter Ida Mae Rainey; nieces

Barbara J. Rainey, Ruth E. (Clarence) Dukes; nephews Michael Rainey, Derek (Marilyn) Rainey, Bernard (Kim) Rainey; devoted and loving caretaker/God-son James Wesley (Wes) Hazel; God-daughter Patricia Williams; long-time friend Laura Crawford; and a host of extended family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oaklawn Cemetery

1615 Oaklawn Ave  
Charlotte, NC 28216  
(704) 336-2123

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Ben Salem Presbyterian Church  
6801 Monroe Road  
Charlotte, NC

## Celebration of Life Service

MAY 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

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6801 Monroe Road  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Virginia R. Bynum.*



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May 16 at 02:20 PM



“ *Our aunt will be missed but will never be forgotten. She has left enough memories to last a lifetime. Living 99 years was a blessing and we know that it was God's grace and mercy that allowed her to celebrate 99 years. Her work here is done.*

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**Barbara Rainey** - May 16 at 06:34 AM



“ *Kerry, Scott, John and Smith Anderson purchased the Sacred Garden Spray for the family of Virginia R. Bynum.*



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**Kerry, Scott, John and Smith Anderson** - May 14 at 07:42 AM



“ *Kerry, Scott, John and Smith Anderson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virginia R. Bynum.*

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**Kerry, Scott, John and Smith Anderson** - May 14 at 07:42 AM