



Carrie Ann Washington

August 1, 1935 - June 2, 2019

Carrie Ann Washington, age 83 of Searcy, passed away on Sunday, June 2, 2019, at Unity Health White County Medical Center. She was born August 1, 1935, in Batesville to Charles Elbert and Verna Mae Strong Robinson. After moving to Little Rock in 1937, she attended Stephens Elementary. She graduated from Dunbar High School in 1953 and attended AM & N College in Pine Bluff, graduating with a B.S. Degree in Education in 1958. She went on to receive a Masters of Arts degree in Elementary Education in 1966 becoming the second African American female to graduate from Harding College. After teaching remedial reading in Searcy for 24 years, she decided to further her studies by receiving a Reading Specialist Degree from Harding University in 1981 which gave her thirty hours above her master's degree. In 1998 she was honored as "Teacher of the Year" by the Searcy School District and eventually retired after 44 years.

She is survived by one daughter, Tonya Graham (Kenneth, Sr.), and one son, Todd Washington (Tammy), both of Little Rock; six grandchildren, Kenneth Graham, Jr. of Little Rock, Kendrick Graham of Dallas, Texas, Vivian Washington, Kenton Graham, Tamera Washington, Vanessa Washington all of Little Rock; three great-grandchildren, Kadence Graham of Dallas, Kayla Graham of Little Rock, Addyson Graham of Dallas; one brother-in-law, Timothy Washington (Patsy) of Toledo, Ohio; three sisters-in-law, Katherine Brunson of Conway, Noralene Washington of Searcy, and Dorothy King (Priest) of Toledo. She is preceded in death by her husband of 57 years,

Porter Washington. Visitation will be Friday, June 7th from 6:00 until 8:00 pm at Powell Funeral Home, 2602 West Beebe Capps Expy in Searcy, AR 72143, (501) 268-7220. Funeral services will be Saturday at 2:00 pm at First Assembly of God, 101 Benton Avenue in Searcy, AR 72143, with interment to follow at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made in the name of Carrie Ann Washington for a scholarship fund at Regions Bank. Arrangements by Powell Funeral Home. www.powellfuneralhome.net

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

100 E. Moore Ave.
Searcy, AR 72143

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)
2602 W. Beebe-Capps Expy
Searcy, AR 72143
(501) 268-7220
searcy@powellfuneralhome.net
<https://www.powellfuneralhome.net/>

Funeral Service

JUN 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

Searcy First Assembly of God
211 S. Benton St.
Searcy, AR 72143

Tribute Wall

CC

“ *She had a memory like no other person I knew. I had her as a teacher when I was in elementary school and then both my children had her at one time or another. I could run into her at the store and she would always ask me about Matt and Lauren. Called them by name when she asked about them. I am 53, Matt is 32 and Lauren is 26. That is a lot of years to remember someones name when you had so many children who loved her at school, plus everyone she knew in the community.*

She will always be one of my fondest memories of McRae Elementary School and I am blessed and thankful that my children got to experience her as well.

My prayers are with all the family.

Cynthia Cardian

Cynthia Cardian - June 08, 2019 at 04:32 PM

DK

“ *Don, Jennifer and Kathlin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carrie Ann Washington.*



Don, Jennifer and Kathlin - June 07, 2019 at 07:33 PM

LF

“ *Linda Fair lit a candle in memory of Carrie Ann Washington*



Linda Fair - June 07, 2019 at 05:58 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carrie Ann Washington.*



June 07, 2019 at 04:59 PM

AB

“ *Addie Banks lit a candle in memory of Carrie Ann Washington*



Addie Banks - June 07, 2019 at 12:15 PM

MD

“ *My heart goes out to Carrie's family. She was a friend for so many, many years. Most of our connection developed within McRae Elementary School. I was a frequent substitute teacher while she was a regular. I depended so many times on Carrie to give me a helping hand.*

Mary Dunn - June 07, 2019 at 08:08 AM

GW

“ *Mrs. Washington will always be remembered as an outstanding teacher, a devoted church member, a caring parent, and a wonderful, dedicated member of the community. She will be missed by all whose lives she touched. God Bless her family.*

Gwen Turner

Gwen - June 06, 2019 at 07:37 PM

TJ

Condolences, To the Washington's Family's with love always The Browns Family's 🙏🏠🏠 Sign by TBrown jr. Spring Valley CA,

Thomas Brown Jr - June 07, 2019 at 01:11 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Carrie Ann Washington.*



June 06, 2019 at 03:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carrie Ann Washington.*



June 06, 2019 at 09:50 AM

Gina
Martin

“ So was my favorite teacher she was the best!
Sorry for your lose!



Gina Martin - June 05, 2019 at 12:38 PM

Gina
Martin

She

Gina Martin - June 05, 2019 at 12:38 PM

MW

My fashion queen and buddy I will truly truly miss you but God makes no mistakes. Another beautiful flower that will blossom I love you forever Mrs. Carrie Anne Washington and thank you for being my buddy what indeed an honor.

Mrs. LaDonna Walton - June 06, 2019 at 03:40 PM

KS

“ Mrs. Carrie was like a second mother in law to me! We both shared the love of old school music and often times when it came on, she was up dancing. She was a part of the frantic and glue that has kept the Graham Family and the Washington's connect. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. I know that God met you at the gates and said "well done my good and faithful servant. RIL💔"



Kenny Shannon - June 04, 2019 at 06:19 PM

LB

“ Mrs. Washington was my teacher in forth grade and all thru the years growing up and I would run into her she would know who I was she always was so sweet and kind.



Lamonica Brady - June 04, 2019 at 02:19 PM

ES

“ Good afternoon family and love ones my name is Edward French Sr I'm from Gary Indiana my heart is heavy right now. I had a opportunity to meet and be in this beautiful lady presents when she visit Indiana God knows I truly enjoyed her and she will be truly missed she was a sweet young lady and I'm truly gonna miss Ms Carrie . Love Ed

Edward E French Sr - June 04, 2019 at 01:55 PM

TL

“ Tonya, I'm so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. I just loved her. She was such a joy. Every time I saw her she had a little update for me. I was always amazed that she remembered me after such a long time. She was sharp as a tack. This precious woman will be missed! Much love to you and the whole family. Tanji Hughes Langley

Tanji Hughes Langley - June 04, 2019 at 12:22 PM

JC

“ My condolences to the family. I cannot say I know how you feel, I can only say I pray for your strength and endurance during this time of loss.

I met Ms. Washington at an early age, she was my third grade teacher! How impressed I was with her demeanor, her dress, her caring and loving attention she gave each of us in class. I have to admit through the eyes of a third grader, your mom was beautiful woman, and she was one of the best “old school” teachers. I say that because to this day I will never forget her compassion for this little girl that was shy and timid. I remember I was sick and out of school with the Chicken Pox, I had a very bad case. I was out of school for a couple of weeks. Need-less-to-say, I was getting behind in my classwork, and that was not setting well with me. Ms.

Washington came to visit me one evening to just check-up on how I was doing, but to my surprise she had brought me homework! She did not want me to get behind in my work and brought me homework every other day and would pick up and grade what she had left before! I did not get behind and felt so cared for by her attention. That’s an “old school” teacher! Making the student feel like they are the center of attention!

To this day, I refer to her still as Ms. Washington. Not because I did not feel as if I knew her, but because of respect and admiration. Family, we all lost a jewel when your mother transitioned to be with our heavenly father...

Ms. Washington, rest in the arms of our Lord and Savior until we see you again.

Jessica Caldwell

Jessica Caldwell - June 04, 2019 at 10:23 AM

EM

“ I was lucky to have a few teachers throughout the year that left a positive impact in my life I'm very proud to say Ms. Washington was one of them. 💕💕

Erika Mckee - June 04, 2019 at 08:44 AM

BD

“ Such a kind and intelligent person who was sent to this earth to make us all better people. Ms. Carrie has earned her just reward.

Beth Durham - June 04, 2019 at 07:20 AM

MF

“ May God wrap His loving arms around the family, church family, and friends and comfort in your time of loss.



Martha Flores-Dupriest - June 04, 2019 at 07:18 AM

JB

“ One of God Angeles called home. My Condolences to the family Praying for you all.

James Brown - June 04, 2019 at 04:53 AM

WW

“ There's not a doubt in my mind that you are in the embrace of our dear Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! You will be missed on Earth, but our reunion will be soon!

Will Walker - June 04, 2019 at 01:47 AM

JB

One of God Angeles called home. My Condolences to the family.

James Brown - June 04, 2019 at 04:48 AM

Pj
Arellano

“ *Pj Arellano lit a candle in memory of Carrie Ann Washington*



Pj Arellano - June 04, 2019 at 12:44 AM

SC

“ *Precious lady*



Sonya Couch - June 03, 2019 at 11:44 PM

SB

“ *Sharon Burns lit a candle in memory of Carrie Ann Washington*



Sharon Burns - June 03, 2019 at 11:15 PM

CB

“ Carolyn Bass lit a candle in memory of Carrie Ann Washington



Carolyn Bass - June 03, 2019 at 08:55 PM

ZN

“ Zina Neely lit a candle in memory of Carrie Ann Washington



Zina Neely - June 03, 2019 at 08:17 PM

TR

I began working with Carrie Ann at Searcy McRae Elementary School in 1990. She will be missed by many. She was a strong and loving individual . She worked hard and was proud of her students.

Tammie Rhodes - June 03, 2019 at 10:53 PM