



Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley

June 25, 1940 - May 15, 2022

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

-II Timothy 4:7

UTICA – Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley, age 81, originally of Beacon, NY, was called home on Sunday, May 15, 2022.

Carol was born on June 25, 1940, to the late Thomas and Mildred (Washington) Medley. Carol was born and educated in Beacon, NY, a graduate of Beacon High School/Class of 1958. She was active in sports such as basketball and baseball, and was a member of the "Brockway Lassies."

Carol was an avid bowler as she was a league member, and she even became one of the top women bowlers in the Dutchess County area!

Although she grew up in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Beacon, NY, (where she was a trusted member for years) she came to love gospel music.

Carol didn't have one special song, but would shake her head, clap her hands, and stomp her feet whenever she heard her daughter play her gospel music—it always made her smile! These memories will last for years to come.

Carol worked as an Executive Assistant for Kraft Foods in White Plains, NY, for 40-plus years, from which she eventually retired. She then moved to Utica in August of 2009 to be with her daughter and grandchildren. Although retired, Carol became a "Foster Grandparent" under the umbrella of MVCAA and began working at the North Utica Senior Center. There she worked with the all-day and after-school class children, with whom she immediately fell in love. She called them "her babies" and her eyes would light up when she spoke

about them. This was one of the greatest joys of her life. “Grandma” will truly be missed.

As a mother, Carol was admired for her determination, ambition, loyalty, spit-fire nature, and sometimes sharp tongue. “Nana” was intuitive, always knowing when the grandchildren needed to talk and was eager to share her wisdom and candid honesty. Additionally, she cooked for them in abundance and wanted them around as much as possible. The great-grands knew her as a teacher—reading time with her was precious.

A Wheel of Fortune addict, Carol was actually a contestant on the Wheel of Fortune in 1991! She won a substantial bounty with her luck.

Carol’s greatest joy, having a family, taught her the rewards of life through those relationships. A woman of faith through all her years, Carol currently attended Redeemer Church.

Carol was predeceased by her mother and father, Mildred and Thomas Medley; beloved son, Brian Medley; brothers, Ronald Medley, and Gary Medley; her uncle, Andrew Washington; and her two sisters of the heart, Dorothy “Gene” Paulin, and Henrietta “Hank” Smith. Carol leaves to cherish her memory, her daughter, DellaReese Medley; her sons and daughter-in-law, Mark and Michelle Medley, and Christopher Medley; brother, Shawn Medley and his companion Bobby; sister, Candace Medley and her late husband Thomas; her grandsons, Julian Bostick, Dion Medley, and Christopher Medley, Jr.; her granddaughters, Jasmine Bostick, Mikayla Medley, and Christie Medley; her great-grands, Kyrie Bostick, Amari Brown, Arianna Freeman, Alaya Medley, Javante Carrington, and Chase Medley; her four additional sisters of the heart, Martha Carrington, Cookie Newton, Maddie Slade, and Betty McBride; and a host of nieces and nephews and family and friends, including great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins.

A special thank you is extended by the Medley Family to Dr. Afsar Khan, Carol’s physician who showed support during important decisions. Further gratitude is extended to the doctors, nurses, and staff of the ICU at MVHS St. Luke’s Campus for the compassion shown to Carol and her family. The

outpouring of support from close and dear friends have been of the greatest comfort.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2022, from 11:00 to 12:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Carol's Home Going Service and Celebration of Life will commence immediately upon the conclusion of visitation at the funeral home. The family welcomes all to attend a Repass Gathering at the North Utica Senior Center, 50 Riverside Dr., Utica 13502 upon the conclusion of funeral services.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Utica, NY 13501
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Home Going Service

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Tribute Wall

PA

“ I remember grandma telling her life stories of when she was younger. Me and my brother misses you a lot! We miss the good old days at NUCC ❤️ God bless you. Rest in Heaven, Grandma. We will always remember you beautiful soul.



Pangna - July 08, 2022 at 06:40 PM

CD

“ Cecelia Davis "as she called me her Tooncake will miss your smile, I saw you on a duo call and both our smiles lit up. You will be missed xoxo...

Cecelia Davis - May 23, 2022 at 12:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley.



May 22, 2022 at 11:10 PM

LQ

“ Lisa, Jovan, and Stephanie Quill purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley.



Lisa, Jovan, and Stephanie Quill - May 22, 2022 at 10:24 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley.*



May 22, 2022 at 05:37 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley.*



May 22, 2022 at 03:27 PM



“ *With deepest sympathy to the family and quiet celebration of someone special. I grew down the street from Carol Ann and bowled on the same "winning" team for a couple of years.*

Myra McIntosh Mullgrav



Myra McIntosh Mullgrav - May 22, 2022 at 02:51 PM



“ *Renee Tuggle lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley*



Renee Tuggle - May 20, 2022 at 05:07 AM

ME

“ Ms. Carol - I'm so blessed that Keith had the chance to meet such an amazing woman. You were always nice and pleasant to us when we came up to visit you guys in Utica. I'm glad that I was able to share these past few years getting to really know you. Your personality, warm heart and spirit is what draws people to you. You will be truly missed. May God comfort Della, Mark, Julian, Jasmine, Kyrie, and Amrie with His Gracious Love, Peace and Strength during this time. R.I.P and we loved you. Melanie & Keith Short

Melanie - May 19, 2022 at 05:21 PM

ST

“ We knew Carol from Beacon. We met her through Jean Paulin but came to be closer as members of St Andrews. I loved her spirit, her honesty. God bless her family and friends. Lord, put your arms around them and give them peace. We know she is free and soon enough will be busy for God. We thank you for her life and example to others. Amen. ❤️ The Turner Family (Mel, Shelley and the girls)

Shelley and Melvin Turner - May 19, 2022 at 09:31 AM

BW

“ BETTY WALKER lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley



BETTY WALKER - May 18, 2022 at 03:56 PM

DM

“ *Darlene Mack-Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley*



Darlene Mack-Brown - May 18, 2022 at 11:45 AM

TS

“ *From Swain where do I begin I have so many great memories being around Miss Carol from seeing the ladies play softball with Mr. briar Stardust being their bad boy from her bowling with my mother Dolores these ladies were great athletes and we can never forget her being on the wheel of fortune so many great memories with the family she will always be in our 🥰*

Troy Swain - May 18, 2022 at 08:48 AM



“ *Memorial Trees was purchased for the family of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley.*

May 18, 2022 at 07:06 AM



“ *Salimah Rahman lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley*



Salimah Rahman - May 17, 2022 at 11:36 PM



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Salimah Rahman - May 17, 2022 at 11:35 PM

DB

“ *Darlene Branch lit a candle in memory of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley*



Darlene Branch - May 17, 2022 at 10:21 PM

JB

“ *I love you to the moon and back. I have too many memories with you and I'm so blessed, honored, and thankful my son was able to meet you and share the time he could with you. Thank you for everything.. GIRLIE!!!!*

Jasmine Bostick - May 17, 2022 at 09:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Carol Ann "Nana" Medley.*



May 17, 2022 at 08:50 PM

RB

“ *Ms. Carol was the most beautiful woman inside and out. Strong woman and she loved her family. Rest In Peace*

Rosa Bonilla - May 17, 2022 at 07:22 PM

DA

Just a beautiful Woman, inside and out. Her smile lit up the room. She was known for how beautiful attire, always dressed to impress and her many photographic poses (even with a cane).

She was truly an asset for Mohawk Valley Community Action Agency, not only was she a Foster Grandparent, she was also a Board Member and she served on the Utica Advisory Council. She will truly be missed by us all.

Her email address will always be remembered, because it reminds me of her character, honest and unapologetic!

*My prayers are with you all,
Darlene Mack-Brown*

Darlene - May 18, 2022 at 11:45 AM