



KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON

November 29, 2025

Surrounded by her family, Karen Taylor Davidson peacefully entered her eternal life with her Lord and Savior on November 29, 2025. Karen was born on October 20, 1951, in Roanoke VA but was a lifelong resident of New Castle VA. She is preceded in death by “her heart”, husband Clifford Davidson, her parents, Buford and Lorine Taylor, brother, B.L Taylor, Jr., and numerous other family members and special friends.

Karen retired from the Craig County Sheriff’s Office where she was a dispatcher and personal cook for the deputies and other staff and had previously been a bus driver for Craig County Schools. Her passion in life was to share her love of God with others through her music ministry where she could sit at the piano or pick up a ukulele, guitar, maracas or tambourine to jazz up any song. She was very convincing and even had her family attempt to play the hand bells for the Christmas program at church. She taught and directed many years of Vacation Bible School at Mountain View Christian Church and New Castle Christian Church touching hearts and igniting faith in young people throughout the county. She was a devoted member of the Salem Choral Society for over 25 years.

With her dynamic personality, infectious giggles and impressive dance moves, Karen lived each day full of life, love and laughter and tried her best to share that joy with all around her. She was always up for an adventure with her family and friends whether that be vacations, yard sales, craft shows, or marathon shopping trips. She was always sure to help others before herself

and instilled those values in her family. Left to cherish many precious memories and try to carry on her legacy, are her three daughters which were her biggest joys, Lori (Chad) Wright, Kimberly (Kent) Rosenberger and Andrea (Jason) Pauley, grandchildren Tyler (Maddy) and Mackenzie Pauley, Austin and Avery (Daniel) Wright, Kayla, Gavin and Camden Rosenberger, great-grandchildren Weston Pauley and Haven Rosenberger, sisters Gloria (Thomas) Moran and Lora (John) Meador , sister in law, Barbara Atkins, plus many other aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, church family and friends and last but not least, the other two members of the Golden Girls, her amazing friends and partners in crime, Linda Stull and Betty Ring.

Family will receive friends at Mountain View Christian Church in New Castle VA, on Wednesday, December 3, 2025, from 5-8 PM. Per Karen's wishes, that there be "no sadness" after her triumphant homecoming with God and precious reunion with Clifford, a "happy" celebration of her life will take place on Thursday, December 4, 2025, at 2 PM with Jonathan Lee officiating.

Interment immediately following the service at Brickey Cemetery.

Arrangements by Paitsel Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Karen's name to Mountain View Christian Church or to Salem Choral Society.

"I lift up my eyes to the mountains - where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth". Psalm 121: 1-2

We love you, Mom. A lot A lot A lot.

Cemetery Details

BRICKEY CEMETERY

CYPRESS LANE
NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 3. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mt. View Christian Church
Craig Valley Drive
New Castle, VA 24127

Funeral Service

DEC 4. 2:00 PM (ET)

Mt. View Christian Church
Craig Valley Drive
New Castle, VA 24127

Visitation

DEC 4 (ET)

BRICKEY CEMETERY
CYPRESS LANE
NEW CASTLE, VA 24127

Tribute Wall

LC

“ Lori, Kim and Andrea - I am so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing! She was a faithful servant and I will treasure the fond memories I have of her through my childhood and into adulthood at church. Karen always had a cheerful spirit and infectious laugh. She will be missed this side of heaven, but I'm sure she has already got the pearly gates rockin'. May you all be comforted during this time! Love, Lee Anne LaPrad Carroll

Lee Carroll - December 06, 2025 at 08:23 PM

CD

“ Karen, you were a Woman of God..So kind hearted..You Will be missed by by many. You've Earned Your Wings .Fly High. R.I.P. 🕊️



Carolyn Drewry - December 04, 2025 at 08:41 PM

SF

“ To the entire family, we are saddled to hear about Karen. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.



Sandy, Daniel Taylor & Family - December 03, 2025 at 03:00 PM

SM

“ Karen was a great person and a special friend to me and our family! Enjoyed working with her at church, we have wonderful memories and fun times together with her. She will be sadly missed! Sending prayers to the family!



Susie Mattox - December 03, 2025 at 10:42 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



December 03, 2025 at 08:55 AM

DC

“ Donna, Mack, Taylor, John, Dylan, Carley purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



Donna, Mack, Taylor, John, Dylan, Carley - December 02, 2025 at 09:43 PM

BF

“ Karen and I grew up together and travelled 621 together on weekends. We hadn't spent much time together the last several years but Karen was always in my heart and I think of our fun times together often. Many prayers for her family. May God give you comfort.

Becky Francisco - December 02, 2025 at 07:55 PM

LH

“ Linda Hancock purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



Linda Hancock - December 02, 2025 at 02:16 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



December 02, 2025 at 12:00 PM

CH

“ Cooper Clan & Izzy (with you in heaven!) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.

Cooper Clan & Izzy (with you in heaven!) - December 02, 2025 at 12:00 PM

ND

“ Sincere sympathy to Karen's daughters, grand children and other family members. I met Karen through serving with the Craig County Volunteer Rescue Squad when her children were young. We became fast friends, and spent many hours working together in the early years of the Squad in fund raising events, including the food booth at annual fair, dinners at the school, dances at Camp Mitchell, bingo at the squad building, and many other activities. She was a vivacious lady, always had a positive attitude and gave happy encouraging words to everyone she met. As the years passed, our paths crossed infrequently as we both had commitments to family, and life in general. However, when we did see each other, it was such a delight, and as if we had just seen each other the day before. The last time I saw her was at Crossroads Church a couple of months ago, where she sang beautifully the songs of praise to her Lord and Savior. I am so blessed for that opportunity and to have known Karen for over a half century. I am sure she is now singing praises in Heaven. Farewell my friend, in Christian love.
Nina

Nina Davis - December 02, 2025 at 11:53 AM

TF

“ The (Scott) Garman Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



The (Scott) Garman Family - December 02, 2025 at 11:39 AM

PD

“ Karen was a very sweet and talented lady.
Sending prayers to her family and friends . 🙏
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Patricia Shires Duncan - December 02, 2025 at 11:08 AM

LM

“ Linda McCroskey lit a candle in memory of
KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON



Linda McCroskey - December 02, 2025 at 11:01 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the
family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR
DAVIDSON.



December 02, 2025 at 10:32 AM

MT

“ Michelle, Tony, Kam and Violet Tomasetti planted a Memorial Tree in
honor of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.

Michelle, Tony, Kam and Violet Tomasetti - December 02, 2025 at 10:32 AM

LM

“ Lisa Minnix lit a candle in memory of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON



Lisa Minnix - December 02, 2025 at 09:35 AM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



December 02, 2025 at 08:33 AM

CC

“ Craig County E911 Dispatch Center planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.

Craig County E911 Dispatch Center - December 02, 2025 at 08:33 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



December 02, 2025 at 08:11 AM

SF

“ Saker Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.

Saker Family - December 02, 2025 at 08:11 AM



“ Sacred Garden Spray was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



December 01, 2025 at 10:27 PM



“ Divine Light was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.



December 01, 2025 at 10:08 PM

TR

“ The Rosenbergers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.

The Rosenbergers - December 01, 2025 at 10:08 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.*



December 01, 2025 at 09:54 PM



“ *I worked with Karen at the Sheriff's Office. She was my confidant, my encourager and the calm among chaos in the office. When I retired she helped me get my retirement set up. She worked with me to set up the annual gospel sings to raise money for the ministrrial association. She and my mom were close friends. I loved Karen as a friend and sister in Christ. We have lost a sweet, sweet lady. I pray for her family in this most difficult time.*

Kenny Davis - December 01, 2025 at 09:42 PM



“ *Randall, Lisa and Arianna Elmore purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of KAREN ANNETTE TAYLOR DAVIDSON.*



Randall, Lisa and Arianna Elmore - December 01, 2025 at 07:01 PM