



## Mrs. Carol Jeanette Ashmore Chancey

December 25, 1953 - February 25, 2025

Carol Jeanette Ashmore Chancey was born on December 25, 1953 in Tampa, FL and received her home going on Tuesday, February 25, 2025 in Brandon FL. She was reunited with her father, Sidney Lorenza Ashmore, her mother, Eula Mae Hayman Ashmore, her brother Sidney Lorenza Ashmore, Jr., and his wife Dianne Player Ashmore, step brother Steven Barr Ashmore and sister in law Lessie Warner Ashmore, her brother William Dexter Ashmore, who predeceased her by 11 days, and her BFF's Mary Jo Pennington and Sonja Simms. Those she left behind are her husband of 50 years and 3 days, Jimmy Dean Chancey, sons, Christopher David Chancey (Kaisa Anttalainen) and Douglas Loren Chancey (Fiancé Fany Georgieva), daughter, Jessica Cozette Chancey, and daughter in law, Holly Strickland. She adored her 9 grandchildren, Jacob, Morgan, Bella, Zoe, Silas, Scarlett, Lucas, Freyja (Lovie) and step grandson Tony. She left one surviving Brother, Jerry Ashmore (Ella "Bunny" Hawkins), two sisters, Virginia Ann Ashmore Jones (Wallace T.), and Mary Ashmore Powell (Nathan U), sister in law Dorothy "Neva" Ashmore (William), step mother Virginia Lee Barr Mulkin, and step brother Marc O'Connor Ashmore, as well as 14 nephews and nieces. Since she was born on Christmas Day, her husband called her his Christmas Carol. Second only to spending time with her grandchildren, she loved sitting around with her brothers and sisters telling family stories with lots of laughter. Of course those times usually included food and she loved to cook for big groups, since she was one of 6 siblings and 2 step brothers, it definitely qualified as a big group.

She enjoyed church socials, banquets and dinner on the grounds, where she was usually found in the kitchen, especially if involved cooking and planning for one of her favorite events like a Valentines Banquet. During the event, she was likely to be singing or in a skit, as she enjoyed singing and acting. Carol graduated from Brandon High School in 1972, having attended Horace Mann Jr High School and Yates Elementary. She graduated from Hillsborough Community College with a degree as a legal secretary, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. While at Brandon High School, on the second day of her junior year 1970, she would first meet her husband to be, Jimmy. On February 22, 1975 she married that high school sweetheart. They lived in Valrico and Brandon, the later in the house she grew up in from the age of 7. They sang together, having their start in the BHS choir, in numerous churches, with Jimmy, usually, either playing the piano or directing the choir. She loved traveling with children and grandchildren, sometimes traveling to see grandchildren. She and Jimmy just enjoyed being together, whether it be on a trip to Finland, for the birth of their second grandson, or just grabbing devil crabs and eating lunch by a pond in Bartow. A Family and Friends gathering will take place at a later time. Expressions of condolences at [www.HopewellFuneral.com](http://www.HopewellFuneral.com).