



## Mrs. Carolyn R. Mason

May 17, 1945 - May 1, 2021

Carolyn R. Mason, 75, of Lithia, Florida, was born in Mountain City, Tennessee on May 17, 1945 and entered into eternal rest on May 1, 2021. She was a member of the Plant City Church of Christ, and her spot in heaven was assured long ago by her humble spirit and giving heart. She was a longtime Cast Member for Disney World, and retired with UPS as an inspector. She loved to go fast, and few things made her happier than a quick car ride or a screaming steel inverted roller coaster.. Carolyn also enjoyed skydiving, zip-lining, whitewater rafting, and horseback riding. If there was an adventure to be had, she was the first in line to go. Her adventurous spirit led her exploring other continents, cruising to Alaska for dog sledding (and zip lining, of course), parasailing, and trips in a hot air balloon, Her passing is the loss of a warrior princess, and she truly honored her Cherokee Indian heritage by living a deeply spiritual life and trusting to God for the rest. To meet Carolyn was to love her; without doubt she was loved by many, and will be deeply missed. Her family was forever foremost in her heart, and nothing was too good for her children and grandchildren. She was fierce in her love and protection of family, and to the very end of life she sacrificed herself for those she loved. She was preceded in death by husbands, James B. Thompson, and Lowell W. Mason. She is survived by children, Jean Thompson of Lithia, Don Thompson (Katie) of Lithia, and Dan Thompson (Ursula) of Canton, Georgia; step-children, Rick Mason (Pam) of Pittsville, Wisconsin, and Steve Mason (Sandy) of Monroe; grandchildren, Ryan

(Jacqueline), Joshua, Cameron, Sabrina (Adam), Vanessa (Scott), Danielle, Sarah, and Nina; great-grandchildren, Madison, Hunter, Hudson, Ethan, Wyatt, and Ava; sister, Dorothy "Jean" Arnold of Plant City; nieces Debbie Hendrickson (Richard) and Joan Sheets (Ben); the German Shepherd she loved but to which she would never admit (Rocky); and many other family and friends. A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 8 at 3:00 P.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 South County Road 39, Plant City. For those unable to attend, the service will be live-streamed at [Facebook.com/HopewellFuneral](https://www.facebook.com/HopewellFuneral). For those who desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Special Olympics at [support.specialolympics.org](https://support.specialolympics.org). Expressions of condolence at [HopewellFuneral.com](https://www.HopewellFuneral.com).

# Previous Events

## Live-Streamed Service

MAY 8. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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## Memorial Service

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Hopewell Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Carolyn R. Mason



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Hopewell Funeral Home - May 07, 2021 at 04:55 PM

LS

“ Carolyn, it just doesn't seem real that i can not call you and talk .We had so much fun together in our spiritual walk together on this earth. i will miss you always ,especially on our trips to gospel meetings. But i will miss your sweet smile and always ready to help in any way you could. You will always be in my heart and i will forever hear your laughter and sweet words. I know you said if was God's will you would be ready. Your time came to soon and to fast. I will treasure the time we had to be to gather and so much fun. You were such a wonderful sister in Christ and friend. Love always sister in Christ Leda

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Leda Sistrunk - May 10, 2021 at 04:38 PM

RL

“ Ms. Carolyn... I still can't believe you're gone! Thank you for being YOU! When you meet my Mama please wrap your arms around her and tell her i love her! Thanks for being "My Bonus Mama!"...R.I.P. (Rest In Paradise)...until we meet again... I Love You dearly and will miss you!... What a Legacy you left for all!

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Reecie Luper-Odparlik-Martin - May 09, 2021 at 08:08 PM

MS

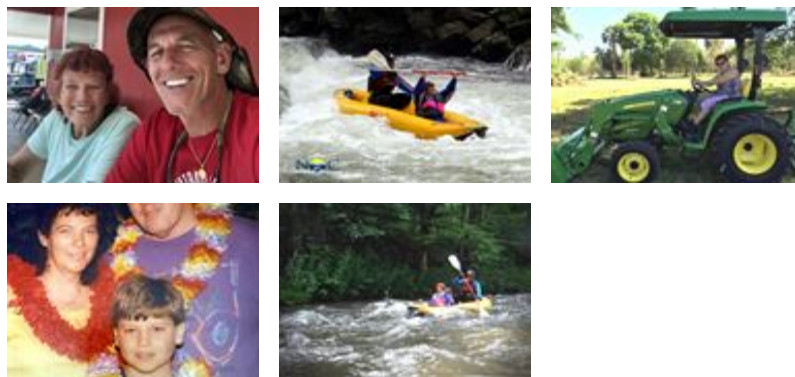
“ Absolutely loved Mrs. Carolyn as she was one of my donor's at Brandon Oneblood who soon became family. No matter how bad of a day I would be having at work when she came in the door with that beautiful smile of hers it would brighten my day. Loved getting a hug from her as they would make all my cares disappear. Mrs. Carolyn was a very special lady to all of us at the Brandon Donor room. She will be greatly missed. May you Rest in Heaven beautiful love you Mrs. Carolyn.



Mykel Shelley - May 08, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hopewell Funeral Home - May 07, 2021 at 04:52 PM

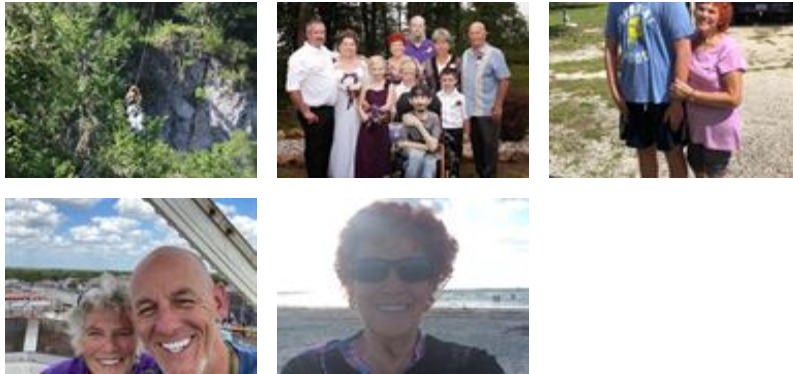
JB

“ Carolyn's passing is such huge loss and I know she will be missed immensely. She had a knack for knowing when you could use some encouraging words and was always quick to offer them. She always made me feel like I was special to her. My goodness, the love she had for her family shined through her beautiful eyes and smile when she so often spoke of them. My ❤️ goes out to her family. RIP dear friend

Jodie Brown - May 07, 2021 at 11:30 AM



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**Hopewell Funeral Home** - May 07, 2021 at 11:04 AM

CD

“ *Carolyn even though I never met you personally, I will always remember our interactions on Facebook. My husband, Don Ricketts, worked with your husband at Bainbridge in Cecil County, MD. Comfort to the family and know they loved you very much.*  
*Charlotte Dawson*

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**Charlotte Dawson** - May 07, 2021 at 08:06 AM

VM

“ *Grandmom, I am so thankful for having you in my life. I remember spending every weekend at your home in Orlando and how much fun we had there. You always welcomed me and my sisters with a hug, a big smile, and a “hi, honey!” I loved your bright red hair, huge spirit and your loving heart. I wish you could have stayed with us longer, but I know you’re at peace and happy in heaven. I love you and I will miss you always.*

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**Vanessa Mills** - May 06, 2021 at 10:49 PM

TF

“ Mrs. Caroline was an amazing woman. You could never feel alone when she was around. Her smile and laughter always lit up a room. She will be greatly missed. We love you!

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**The Rosario Family** - May 06, 2021 at 10:25 AM

BH

“ Miss Carolyn has been like another mother to me. I told Jean many times Mom had another child she did not tell them about. I made sure when I had goodies for her to remind Jean not to touch any of it until it was delivered to mom. I met her for the first time in the parking lot on my job when she said how is my other daughter doing and I was curious as to who is this woman calling me her daughter but once she introduced herself with that wonderful smile and a warm hug I knew. She was an amazing person on earth and will be the same as an Angel. Miss You Mom.

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**Brenda Hodge** - May 06, 2021 at 08:48 AM

LL

“ We met grandma Carolyn when Jacqueline brought her over for Thanksgiving dinner, to introduce her to the family before her and Ryan got married. The family instantly took to grandma Carolyn. The reason why we call her "grandma Carolyn" that's how Jacqueline introduced her to us. It has remained that way for us ever since. We had great conversations and laughs. She was loved and will be greatly missed.

*Blessings to all,  
Lissette Lantieri*

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**Lissette Lantieri** - May 06, 2021 at 08:23 AM

FF

“ From, Lantieri and Martinez Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Carolyn R. Mason.



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**From, Lantieri and Martinez Family** - May 06, 2021 at 08:10 AM

LL

“ Lissette Lantieri lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Carolyn R. Mason



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**Lissette Lantieri** - May 06, 2021 at 07:53 AM

DN

“ Dan, Ursula, Sara & Nina purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Mrs. Carolyn R. Mason.



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**Dan, Ursula, Sara & Nina** - May 05, 2021 at 12:15 PM

PM

“ We loved Carolyn the very first time we met her, she loved our family like her own. Sure will miss her calls and texts. RIP my sunshine

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**Pam Mason** - May 05, 2021 at 11:33 AM





*Mom, you were my rock! I love you more than life itself. You will remain forever in my heart!! I miss you 💔❤*

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**Jeanne Thompson** - May 05, 2021 at 05:24 PM