



Barbara Anderson Carroll

July 28, 1928 - August 14, 2025

Knoxville, TN - Barbara Anderson Carroll, 97, formerly of Bluefield, WV, passed away at NHC Place Farragut in Knoxville, TN on Thursday, August 14. She was born July 28, 1928 to Dona Wilson Anderson and William Hobart Anderson of Knoxville, TN. She graduated from Central High School, and in 1949 she earned a degree in Music from Carson Newman College and later a Master's Degree in Industrial Safety. She married the love of her life Arthur Edward Carroll on August 22, 1950, and remained in Bluefield for 74 years.

Barbara grew up in Knoxville and graduated from Central High School. She especially loved mathematics - winning the math award two years straight at Central. She went on to Carson Newman College to study Music and Spanish where she met and married Arthur, and moved with him to Bluefield. She loved her life in the Bluefield community and her life at First Baptist Church. She began her career after arriving in Bluefield as a 9th grade Algebra teacher. Barbara had a strong gift of hospitality and enjoyed having people in her home. She loved to cook and make preparations for her guests to feel welcome.

She served in her church with many committees through the years, especially being involved in the bereavement committee and planning many meals for families in the church.

Barbara also loved the Senior OASIS Group in the church and loved all the many adventures with them. At NHC in Knoxville, Barbara made many new

friends and enjoyed eating meals with them and playing Bingo in the activity room. In her own room, she loved solving Sudoku or reading a novel. Barbara was a dearly loved mother, grandmother, aunt, and a cherished friend of many,

She is survived by her daughter Karen Carroll Walker and her husband Jeffery D. Walker of Knoxville, TN; son Dr. Stephen A. Carroll of Ghent, WV; three grandchildren, Marion Hanes of Walkertown, NC, Jacob J. Walker of Aiken, SC, and Caleb D. Walker of Knoxville, TN.

The funeral will be held at 11 am on Friday, August 22 at First Baptist Church in Bluefield, WV followed by a brief graveside ceremony at Grandview Memory Gardens in Bluefield, VA. Receiving of friends is at First Baptist Church from 10-11 am on Friday, August 22.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to Bluefield Union Mission or Senior OASIS at First Baptist Church Bluefield.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Memory Gardens

38659 Gov George C. Peery Hwy
Bluefield, VA 24605
(276) 322-5470

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1325 Augusta St.
Bluefield, WV 24701

Funeral Service

AUG **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Bluefield, WV 24701

Tribute Wall

EW

“ I was wondering about your mom not long ago. I knew them both I use to work at Acme Supermarket with Arthur he was the nicest and kindest man I ever met. You probably won't remember me but I met both of you and wondered what you all were doing now. I am so sorry about your mom. I moved 10 years ago to Rock Hill SC. 🙏

Ellen Wade - September 01, 2025 at 10:48 AM

PB

“ Well done good & faithful servant. Mrs Carroll woke up a confidence in me and a love for Algebra. Her family left a lot of sweet memories with my family, especially at First Baptist and at the Burkhart & Carroll store where my mom got all her groceries. I will be holding up the family with Prayers of comfort and a peace that passes all understanding. Thank you Mrs Carroll for being my favorite teacher and cheerleader and for being a guiding light for so many ❤️

Peggy Bell Billips - August 22, 2025 at 06:22 PM

HF

“ Mrs. Carroll was a big part of my youth. She was kind, patient and very tolerant! Many great memories with Steve at their house. Heaven has gained a wonderful angel.

Holly Bentley Fisher - August 20, 2025 at 10:53 PM

CL

“ I had Mrs Carroll at Fairview for Algebra. Algebra was not my strong suit but she was patient and encouraged me to do my best. My Mother worked for her family business for many years. We got to know the family well and even attended church with them on occasion. She like her entire family was deeply rooted in faith. Rest Mrs Carroll, your assignment has been fulfilled. To the family our prayers and condolences are with you.

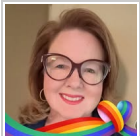
Clarence Littlejohn - August 20, 2025 at 06:56 PM

DM

“ Glad to have had the privilege of getting to know Barbara and doing her hair for a few years. My sincere condolences to all the family.



Deborah Mariotti - August 20, 2025 at 05:10 PM



“ I had Mrs. Carroll for Algebra I. She was a great teacher who made me like math for at least a year (until I got to geometry). I'll never forget how she used to say “conduct cut” with her sweet southern accent. Hers was a life well-lived!

Terri Davies - August 20, 2025 at 12:31 PM

RH

“ Barbara was a jewel! Have known her all my life as I grew up in First Bsptist! Her sweet voice and radiant smile will surely be missed! She and Arthur were the perfect loving, kind, God loving couple! Condolences to her precious family!

Ruth Hoosier - August 20, 2025 at 11:59 AM

CE

“ *Mrs. Carroll was such a wonderful person. We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.* ”

Chris & Jerry Elswick - August 20, 2025 at 09:40 AM