



## Colya Bernice Carrell

*May 24, 1916 - June 9, 2004*

Mrs. Colya Bernice Maynard Carrell (88) devoted mother and grandmother was gathered into the arms of her Lord and Savior on June 9, 2004. She was born May 24, 1916, to Gertrude Elizabeth Allison and Clarence Maynard, but raised by Gertrude and Chris Lafollette. She is survived by her daughters, Tonye Faye Darland of McKinney, Carol Sue Hale and son-in-law, Patrick Hale of Plano; sister, Estalena Sullivan of Princeton; step-sisters, Venita Apple of Dallas and Ethel Allen of McKinney; six grandchildren, Cassie Ferrell, Christy Bradford, Jennifer Jones, Kelly Ferraro, Karl Anderson, Roger Robbins; two step-grand children, Caitlin Hale, and Anna Darland; five great grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, and other loving relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her husband, John Odis Carrell; parents, Gertrude and Chris Lafollette; sister Beatrice Burke; brother, Avery Lafollette; son, James Andrew Carrell; daughters, Dottie Kay Jones, Beverly Ann Carrell, Roxann Carrell; and grandson, Bobby Joe Creech. She was 88 years of age. The decades she had lived through and the events she has seen could write a novel. From riding her horse to school, to becoming a teenager during the late twenties, surviving the depression, and getting married to John Odis in the year of 1934. She has children from the thirties to the fifties and was the proud mother of a total of six children. Lived on a farm with her husband between Frisco and McKinney on farm road 720 for around 40 years. June 1, 2004 she would have been married 70 years. She was a housewife till about 1959. Then she went to work at the old Collin County Hospital working in the kitchen. She worked in nursing homes in the laundry, snack bar at the bowling alley. She worked in the Colonial Manor nursing home for 35 cents an hour on Louisiana Street in McKinney. From 1966 to about 1970 she went to work at TI (Texas Instruments) in the cafeteria. From there she went to work in Richardson School District at JJ Pearce and then Berkner, still in the cafeteria for ten years. Every job she had was always cooking and cleaning. After she retired from the schools she did a lot of volunteer work from working with the RSVP of mailing out letters and helping serve the commodities of cheese that were given out to low income families. She called Bingo for the University Nursing Home for ten years. I think all the volunteering work she did is what kept her going and go she did, and any event she went to she was always an hour early. She was an active member of Waddill Street Baptist Church until she became too ill to go anymore. Her church work was really important to her. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM, Sunday, June 13, 2004, in the Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Chapel with Rev. Joe Smith officiating. Interment will follow at Williams Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Saturday at Turrentine-Jackson-Morrow Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials

## Memorials

*I would like to thank everyone that helped us through the passing of my mother (Bernice Carrell) There are so many people to thank from all that came to the viewing to the funeral. Turrentine and all their staff. Mother loved Turrentine and all their staff so much. Mother would go to a lot of funeral when she was living and able to drive. I never really unstood why she went to so many, but now I do. Mother was so loved by so many people. I want to thank all the people at Waddill Street Baptist church, and Brother John Brock from Bethel Baptist from Whitewright Texas where I go to church. Mrs Barbara Wison and Suzanne Jennings for coming to the viewing. there are so many of my friends and family that came that I can't think of all the names. I just want all to know how wonderful it is to have such wonderful friends and family in a time like what we have just had to give up. I have not even been able to do thank you cards yet, But I will get them out. Thanks for your Prayers and Flowers and Love. I especially want to send thanks to hospice who was in the hospital with us all the way. That is one group of people who you really want on your side when you are losing a love one. Ninfa, and Morgan, Bennie, and Carla were just a few that were there for us. They are wonderful!! I know mama would have been very proud of the service we gave her. Again Thanks to all that helped us. TONYE FAYE DARLAND AND FAMILY*

**TONYE FAYE DARLAND, JUNE 30, 2004**

*I would just like to thank everyone who has given their thoughts and prayers to my Mother (Bernice Carrell). Everyone who came to visitation and to the funeral, it was such a joy to see everyone who cared for my Mother. It seems like she always had a place in her heart for all her friends and family. It is a shame in today's time that the only time we see friends and family is at someone's funeral. But we all live such buzy lives. She loved to socialize with her friends and family at every chance she got. She will truly be missed. I want*

*to thank Keith (the driver for Turrentine), his personality just really made the day go by with so much grace. He really does lighten the load, a family carries, on the day they bury a love one. Turrentine, you should give him a raise, he has a gift. I would like to thank Bennie Dugger for singing the songs that Mother loved, she loved listening to live Gospel Music, and I do believe she heard every note. Thanks to all the cousins I haven't seen in years. It was a special day and I know Mother was looking down on us and loving it.*

**CAROL SUE HALE AND FAMILY, JUNE 19, 2004**

*Dear Tonye, Carol Sue, and Family, My family was saddened to hear of Bernice's passing. We will remember what a sweet and thoughtful person she was to mother when they were roommates at The Homestead. We hope they have bingo and "Tootsie Rolls" in heaven for her. She was a blessing to know. Love, The Hamby and Allen families*

**ANN M. HAMBY, JUNE 13, 2004**

**TONYE, MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF YOUR MOM. IF YOU WANT TO SIT DOWN AND TALK ABOUT THE GOOD TIMES YOU HAD WITH YOUR MOM I WILL LISTEN. MAY GOD BE WITH YOU.**

**LINDA J TODD, JUNE 11, 2004**

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