



Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose

June 12, 1948 - December 17, 2021

Cheryl Gulley Rose “Cherie”, age 73, of Nashville, North Carolina died peacefully in her home on December 17, 2021, surrounded by her family. A native of Nashville, she is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Atlee Barringer Gulley. She is survived by her husband, David, and her daughters, Michelle Rose Tanner (Jimbo) of Raleigh, Maria Rose Lambert (Tommy) of Nashville, and Meredith Rose Sawyer (Ken) of Rocky Mount and her grandchildren, John Montgomery “Jack” Tanner, Elijah David “Eli” Tanner, Anna Clayton Tanner, Mackenzie Rose Lambert, Caleb Thomas Lambert, Christian Ives Sawyer, David Barringer Sawyer, and Sarah Dunn Sawyer. Cherie attended college at Meredith College in Raleigh, earning a bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education and Math in May 1969. During her final year of college, she married her childhood sweetheart, David. After graduation, they moved back to their hometown and she began teaching at Cooper’s Elementary School in Nashville. Once her first daughter was born, she found joy in raising her girls and being a supportive wife. Cherie spent much of her time being an active member of Elm Grove Baptist Church. She taught Sunday school, led Vacation Bible School, and served as choir director. Additionally, she served on the social committee and was always available to help wherever she was needed. Her strawberry cakes were always a favorite at any social event. Cherie influenced many lives, showing her love through acts of service. Her attention to detail and ability to organize was one of her most admired traits and was displayed many times as she directed weddings for family and friends. She found happiness in being active, which often included walking through downtown Nashville each morning with her best friend, who also happened to be her mother, or joining friends for morning exercise class. Cherie enjoyed spending hours in her yard, which was evident by the beautiful flowers. Hardly anyone visited without remarking on her overflowing window boxes. While she had many gifts, Cherie was a dedicated mother first and foremost. She adored parenting her three daughters and was actively involved in their education at Rocky Mount Academy, serving as PTA president, board member, substitute teaching, and always cheering in the crowd at their athletic events. As the girls grew older, she joined her husband in his farming business and enjoyed working alongside him ensuring all things in toffice ran smoothly. Although she had a full life before, Cherie would say the best part began on the day of her 50th birthday,

when her first grandchild was born. She cherished her role as “Nana”, making each of her eight grandchildren feel special. She delighted in spending time with them, whether at their school events, the annual beach week, sleepovers, time in the kitchen or in the backyard watching them swim and play. Cherie was loved by many, and her last months were filled with visits, meals, cards and flowers from friends and family near and far. The family would like to thank 3HC Hospice for their skilled assistance in making Cherie’s final days comfortable and peaceful. The family would also like to thank caregivers Adaline “Lene” Davis and Angie Daniel for their compassion, care, and friendship. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Cherie’s memory to the Autism Society of North Carolina or 3HC Hospice Care of Wilson. Visitation with family and friends will be Sunday, December 19, 2021 from 5:00-7:00PM at Cornerstone Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held Monday, December 20, 2021 at 10:00AM with Rev. Jesse Mooney officiating in the chapel of Cornerstone Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Forest Hill Cemetery

350 N 1St Street
Nashville, NC 27856

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Cornerstone Funeral Home
1052 S First Street
Nashville, NC 27856

Service

DEC 20. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

DEC 20. 10:45 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SC

“ Cherie was my suite mate our freshman year at Meredith. We shared many late nights studying, gab sessions, and new found freedoms. I am so sorry to hear of the loss of this special friend and Meredith sister. Peace and blessings to the family.



Sue Hammons Cook - December 29, 2021 at 10:39 PM

KL

“ What a wonderful woman and matriarch. So many wonderful memories. Kellie, Chad, and Becky

kellie landen - December 25, 2021 at 09:52 PM

DK

“ Donna King lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose



Donna King - December 21, 2021 at 12:28 PM

MB

“ Cherie was a beautiful person inside and out. She was elegant and made everything she did seem so easy. She was the kindest smartest woman I have ever met. From hosting my baby shower to directing that same baby's wedding years later. There's nothing she would not do for me. Thank you Cherie for loving me and I hope you knew how much I loved you Cherie. 💕

Mary Lou Braswell - December 20, 2021 at 06:18 PM

DC

David I am so sorry for your family's loss. I have known Cherie all my life and watched her as she grew up into a beautiful young woman. She always had a radiant smile for everyone ! She was truly a giving and lovely lady. She will be missed by all but especially you and your girls and their families. Sending you my deepest sympathy.💕

Dabney Casey - January 07 at 09:32 PM

MB

“ *Mary Lou Braswell lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose*



Mary Lou Braswell - December 20, 2021 at 06:12 PM

WR

“ *Sherry - I will miss your smile and your enthusiasm for everything, especially the girl's games. You left three beautiful, kind daughters to carry on your legacy. You should be proud. I will miss you - Wayne Rose*

WAYNE B ROSE - December 19, 2021 at 01:35 PM

RW

“ *Rand Ward lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose*



Rand Ward - December 19, 2021 at 10:27 AM

BH

“ *I was in Cheri's high school class. She was a beautiful spirit even then and continued to shine. She loved life. I will miss her but know that she lives on in her family.*

Brenda Bone Hagerman - December 18, 2021 at 07:47 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose.*



December 18, 2021 at 10:41 AM

AD

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. She was a special lady! We loved each other and I will miss her smile and lovely personality!* 🙏🙏❤️

Annette Daniels - December 18, 2021 at 07:29 AM

JO

“ *Joyce lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose*



Joyce - December 17, 2021 at 09:34 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose.*



December 17, 2021 at 09:03 PM

DC

“ *Donna Carr lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose*



Donna Carr - December 17, 2021 at 08:33 PM

AC

“ *Cherie was absolutely an unforgettable figure in my life. When I wonder if the "little" things I do matter, I remember the individuals who gave smiles, invitations, leadership, music, presence, participation, teaching, care, hospitality, etc. And I remember that those things mattered to me and that they will matter to others when I offer them. Your mom was certainly one of those people in our community and in my life. I could go on and on about Bible school or Sunday school or choir or her hosting me after Bible school until my mom got off work or swimming in her pool or Mickey Mouse popsicles...or singing "Germs Germs my invisible dog." She shaped my youth and my faith. I'm sad for you all to lose such an amazing figure in your life but I am happy that the faith that she so beautifully displayed is now sight. I'm sending my love and prayers to you all.*

- Amy Davenport Carmichael

Amy Davenport Carmichael - December 17, 2021 at 07:06 PM

DK

It is with a heavy heart that I write this to you, Cherie's beloved family. Cherie and I go "way back" as little girls playing together on Green Street in Nashville. As children, there were the usual sleepovers and playing with our dolls. We even played together when we both had measles! Our classmates from both first grade classes drew pictures for us and came for a visit through the windows, of course, at Cherie's childhood home. As teenagers, we played a lot of Canasta. She would chat with David on the phone while we played, and she still beat me!! We remained friends, albeit from a distance, as I left Nashville after marriage. She would always "check in" whenever I came home for a visit. I have wonderful memories of her and her loving parents. She had her own style, and she was special in every way. My prayers are with you, David, daughters and family, at this time of sorrow and loss. Her memories and her love will live on in your hearts forever.

- Donna Winstead King

Donna Winstead King - December 19, 2021 at 11:58 AM



“ Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose.



December 17, 2021 at 04:05 PM



“ 89 files added to the album LifeTributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home - December 17, 2021 at 04:05 PM

CF

“ Cheryl Fries lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Lynn Gulley Rose



Cheryl Fries - December 17, 2021 at 12:31 PM