



Carol Gray (Brown)

April 3, 1938 - January 4, 2024

Carol Gray (Brown), 85, of New Haven, CT, departed this life peacefully at home on January 4, 2024. Carol was born to the late Brownie Gray and Beatrice Jenkins Gray in Greenville, North Carolina. She was predeceased by her husband, Charles W. Brown.

She leaves to cherish her memories her sons, Carmen J. Wilson, Sr. (Amelia) of Roberta, Georgia and Robert R. Wilson of New Haven, CT; daughters Terralyn D. Stephens, Crystal Brown-Knight (Benjamin), Germaine Brown, all of New Haven, CT, and stepchildren Jeanette Day (Donald) of Ansonia, CT and Leon D. Brown, Sr. (Charlene) of New Haven, CT, a brother, Dr. Charles E. Gray(Eula) of Winston Salem, NC, 21 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great grandchild along with a host of extended family. She was predeceased by a stepdaughter, Charlene Brown, her brothers James Clark, Sr. and Reginald Gray, sisters Ann Dew and Merle Moten, 2 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

A private burial will be held.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd
New Haven, CT 06519
(203) 624-5505

Tribute Wall

JO

“ Carol, my grandmother, was a kind, compassionate and pious woman who took me in a few years ago while I was still trying to find my way and figure out what I wanted to do with my life. I remember watching “Jeopardy” together, sitting on her back porch just to enjoy the summer breeze, and the countless family gatherings (birthdays, graduations, etc) that shes been apart of. She’s always been a supportive, strong, Christian woman who was beloved by all of us, me especially. Not a grain of hatred/evil in her. For as long as I can remember I’ve never even heard her curse or have any ill-will towards Just sheer love, wisdom, compassion and kindness. I will forever cherish her memory and thank her for being such a bright light not only to me, but to everyone who knew her.

Jonathan - October 30, 2024 at 08:58 PM

VB

“ Sis. Brown will be missed. A woman with love in her heart for all. Always remember the Wednesday night dinner invites (with Bro. Brown's famous salad) and asking me to make carrot cake for her birthday. She was a woman of wisdom. She knew how to give advise to young mother's or anyone that crossed her path. A woman that enjoyed life and her surroundings. She would celebrate you on birthdays, weddings, etc. A woman of kind words. A Christian woman, a prayer warrior, a soldier in the Army of the Lord. This was how I remember Sis.Carol Brown. My condolences to all of her family.

Virlinda Billups - January 15, 2024 at 10:19 PM

PA

“ My condolences to CrystallandGerrmain and the Gray family. I will be eternally grateful to aunt Carol for being there for me growing up. I remember she caught me the one time I rode my bike past her home to ask if I was going to vacation bible school again.

Patricia Akpalu - January 12, 2024 at 11:06 AM

GB

What a sweet memory Tricia, thank you ❤️🥰

Germaine Brown - January 12, 2024 at 08:27 PM

RW

“ My mother was born in the south in the 1930's where racism was prevalent and approved by so called Christians. Her father served in WWII, when the country wouldn't show respect to those who voluntarily served. Her brothers served in Vietnam for the Navy & Marines when they were sending the working class and people of color to die while Racist cowards like Donald Trump paid their way out. She marched to Washington D.C. with her husband to hear Dr. Martin Luther King Speak. She saw the the loss of MLK, JFK, we watched the news of RFK's assassination together that next morning in 1968. Through it all she never told us to hate back. "Babies can't have that in they're lives, a happy childhood makes a happy adult with memories to pass on. Our Birthdays parties were a garden of every kid in the neighborhood. Every baby was her baby too. Years ago we're downtown Xmas shopping and out of nowhere a little white girl ran into here arms because she was so excited to see her, that's unconditional love for a child that was returned. That's my Mother

robert wilson - January 09, 2024 at 08:14 PM

CA

Beautiful Post From A Mother's Son

Cheryl M Atkinson - January 13, 2024 at 12:47 PM

VA

God bless Beautiful was Read touch my heart what you went through but God no your heart your mom that how my mom is unconditional love black or white

Vanessa - January 24, 2024 at 10:30 AM

RF

“*Aunt Carol was one of my parents favorite people they spent many days together on trips and events. I know she is in a better place with God. She always had a smile and a hug for me. To the Family may God give you peace beyond.*”

Ramona Fain - January 09, 2024 at 05:46 PM

GB

Thank you Mona, I miss you friend 😊

Germaine Brown - January 10, 2024 at 11:38 AM

RF

I miss you too friend.

Ramona Fain - January 13, 2024 at 10:35 PM

GB

“ One of my favorite memories of my mommy is when she came to my high school when I was receiving an award (one of very few awards 😊). I remember her coming in the auditorium with three or four of her daycare children with her. I couldn't believe she brought all of them so after I got the award and went to her she gave me such a tight hug and a big kiss and I was so happy and she made all the children say "congratulations Germaine". I was just so happy she took the time to come to my school like she had done before but not with so many children LOL. But that's just how she was caring loving and supportive. I am going to miss her so much. Especially her silliness because she could really be silly and that's just where I got it from. I'm so glad the one true living God Jesus Christ didn't give me a rich mother or a famous mother but a holy mother who represented Christ and showed her love for him at all times. To God be the glory for the great things he has done!!

Germaine Brown - January 09, 2024 at 11:59 AM

CW

She was always supportive 🥹❤️🙏🌸

Carmen Juanita Wilson - January 09, 2024 at 03:00 PM

TS

My mom , there is so much I can say, she was just the best always had jokes , she was Stern with her children I can go on I'm gonna miss you mommy💔💔💔🥹🌸

Terri Simmons - January 10, 2024 at 05:01 PM

CP

Germaine and Crystal I wish could have been there for you beautiful women of God like you were for us when we loss our son May God bless and keep you in His Care, we love you all and Praying for you!!
The Peterson Family

Cleo Peterson - January 20, 2024 at 10:20 PM

GB

“ I especially want to thank my twins Jonathan and Joshua for all the help you gave Nana before during and after her decline in health. Your willingness, your patience, and the love you showed your Nana is pleasing in God's sight as well as mine. Thank you my precious sons. I Love you both ❤️❤️🤔🤔🥺

Germaine Brown - January 09, 2024 at 11:10 AM

CW

“ We send our condolences to our family and friends for our grandmother/great grandmother. We will always cherish the memories that we shared. Thank you for always being there for us. Love you forever Nana ❤️🙏👤👤 Nita and C'vonni.

Carmen Juanita Wilson - January 08, 2024 at 07:02 PM

GB

Thank you to each and every one of my nieces and Nephews, you always showed Nana the utmost respect. You always showed your love on her birthdays at the family get together and I am so grateful she had you all in her life each and every one of you are so precious and dear to me just as she was I love each and every one of you may God bless and keep you ❤️ Love, Auntie Maine

Germaine Brown - January 09, 2024 at 11:04 AM

CW

Thank you for being there for us as well. We love you too! Auntie Maine 🌸🙏❤️👤👤

Carmen Juanita Wilson - January 09, 2024 at 02:55 PM

CA

“ *My nana bear we love you so very much you were the best nana anyone could ever ask for please watch over us and continue to guide us you are not here in the flesh but your spirt will forever be within all of us I love you my nana bear*

carra - January 08, 2024 at 05:54 PM

CW



Carmen Juanita Wilson - January 09, 2024 at 02:57 PM