



Geneva Pollock

April 28, 1944 - May 26, 2020

Geneva Chappell Pollock, 76, of New Haven, CT died peacefully with her family by her side at Gaylord Hospital in Wallingford, CT on Tuesday May 26, 2020. Geneva was born in Shorter, AL. on April 28, 1944 to the late Johnny Chappell and late Dorothy Williams Atkinson. She was a wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She was a graduate of D.C. Wolfe High School, University of Massachusetts, Southern Connecticut State University, and Sacred Heart University. Geneva was a dedicated member, usher, and church mother at Community Baptist Church for over 50 years. Geneva was a committed teacher for New Haven Public Schools for 33 years. She taught at Jackie Robinson Middle School for 30 years and at Urban Youth Middle School for three years.

Geneva leaves behind her husband of 43 years, Ulysses Pollock Sr.; her beloved daughter, Muntega Belton-Moore and stepson, Curtis Deas. Her three dedicated grandchildren, Dyamond, Clayton Jr., and Jayden; and one great-granddaughter Khari Klaire; sisters, Lethia (Kelly) Wedgworth of Kennesaw, GA and Christine Howez of Los, CA. and Luzetta "Pat" Thomas of Montgomery, AL., Rose "Patty" (Dixie) Frank of Central Islip, NY.; brother, Johnny (Marilyn) Chappelle of Millbrook, AL.; And a host of other relatives and friends dear to her heart, including Jennifer Kee of Waterbury, CT., Lisa Brown and Tremetra Austin of New Haven, CT.

Geneva was predeceased by her parents Johnny Chappell and Dorothy Williams Atkinson, maternal grandparents Eugene and Rosie Williams;

paternal grandparents Rev. Seaborn and Armanda Chappelle; special uncle Aaron "Biggum" Williams; her loving son, Ulysses "BJ" Jr.; stepson, Emmanuel Harrison; sisters, Dorothy L. McEntire Jacqueline Rivers, Fannie Chappelle; brother, Seaborn Chappelle, aunts, Hattie Dixon, Viola Harris, Genie Boyd, Mary Pritchett; uncles Lum and Robert Williams; niece, Meisha Chappelle,; nephews, Anthony Atkinson and David Chappelle; godson, Stacey Williams.

Cemetery Details

Beaverdale Memorial Park

90 Pine Rock Avenue
New Haven, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

JUN 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

McClam Funeral Home Chapel
95 Dixwell Ave
New Haven, CT 06511

Tribute Wall



“ *Geneva Pollock*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *Ms Pollock, you were a gem. I met you at Urban Youth Middle and you always provided guidance and humor to help me pass the day. Always found an excuse to give me a ride home so we could stop here and stop there to make up time till you go to usher meetings. And then there were the three grand children sitting in the back seat whom you will threaten to put out and let them walk back home if they didn't stop arguing. But you never did. It was always a big bluff you were too kind and caring for that. You used to warn me about my friends and enemies at work .You wouldn't let me say what I wanted to say . It was always "a still tongue keeps a wise head." Thank you for your guidance and friendship. See you some day in Paradise. Linda Louison.*

Linda Louison - August 23, 2020 at 05:20 PM



“ *Tega, my sincere condolences to you and the family. My heart ached when I heard of her passing. Mrs. Pollock was one of the most beautiful, kind and gentle people I have ever met. She was motherly and nurturing to everyone. I don't think I ever saw her without a smile on her face. She will be dearly missed. I pray that as you draw strength from God, keep all of the fond memories in your thoughts. Love you and God Bless. Lonnette Diggs and family*

Lonnette Diggs - June 09, 2020 at 12:22 PM

SJ

“ Continued prayers for all of you 🙏❤️



Sherri L. Jones - June 06, 2020 at 03:07 AM

CW

“ Charzette Wearing lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock



charzette wearing - June 04, 2020 at 08:52 PM

PW

“ Extending our heartfelt sympathy. Praying for God to comfort you in this time of sorrow. Weeping may endure for a night but joy will come in the morning.

Pastor Rosemary Eason Wright
Rev. Stacey Eason

Pastor Rosemary Eason Wright - June 04, 2020 at 01:50 PM

DH

“ My condolence to the family. May you find comfort during the difficult time.



Deborah Harrell-Mitchell - June 04, 2020 at 09:12 AM

GS

Hoping you will find comfort and peace at this time. Will miss seeing her at Church. My condolences. Ms Savage

Geraldine Savage - June 04, 2020 at 10:50 PM

FB

“ To the family: I'm wishing you love, strength and peace during this difficult time. Geneva truly will be missed. She's gone home to be with the Lord”



Frances Branch-Walker - June 04, 2020 at 08:01 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 04, 2020 at 05:46 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 03, 2020 at 05:34 PM

CT

“ Geneva will surely be missed. She was always in attendance for usher anniversaries, funerals and other events if ushers were needed. She was dictated to being an Usher and was well known for her usher duties!! At times I have ushered with her and she was such a joy!! She is missed so much!! She was loved by all who knew her!! God bless the family! We will keep you all in prayer!!❤️
🙏 We love you!!❤️

Carol Teel - June 03, 2020 at 05:25 PM



“ Gladys Key lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock



Gladys Key - June 03, 2020 at 02:40 PM



“ What a friend we had in Geneva, she will live in our heart forever. The most beautiful things in the world cannot be touched only felt with the heart. The Golden Girls.

Gladys Key - June 03, 2020 at 01:32 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 03, 2020 at 01:29 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.* ”



June 03, 2020 at 01:15 PM



“ *Sis. Geneva was a member of the State Nurses Unit and she was a true reflection of what serving meant. Geneva was a people person and I do not believe that there wasn't anyone that she didn't know or they didn't know who she was. She was always willing to serve where ever she was needed. She was a dedicated and faithful Usher who truly enjoyed her ministry and she will be greatly missed. We are praying for her family and friends.* ”



"Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal"

Sis. Helen Bromell & Family

Helen Bromell - June 03, 2020 at 12:18 PM



“ *Zoanne Petteway lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock* ”



Zoanne Petteway - June 03, 2020 at 12:12 PM

SB

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Stephanie Buggie - June 03, 2020 at 10:59 AM

GK

“ What a Friend we had in Geneva words cannot express the love we shared. The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.
The Golden Girls



Gladys key - June 03, 2020 at 10:28 AM

SN

“ To Family, of Mrs Geneva May she Rest In Peace, Our hearts is filled with love, until we meet again, State Nurses Unit!



state Nurses - June 03, 2020 at 10:05 AM

SB

“ Geneva was one of a kind!! She was blessed and a blessing!! Me & my husband, Eric, got to know her well when we played at Community Baptist Church. She marched with us in our 10 year Anniversary Ceremony which we had in 2006. She overflowed with positive energy most every time that I saw her. There's another angel in heaven!! We're so grateful that we received the opportunity to get to know her!!

Stephanie Buggie - June 03, 2020 at 09:37 AM

AE

“ Mrs. Pollock was one of my Absolute Favorite teachers at Jackie Robinson Middle School, and even after I graduated she continued to be an inspiration to me and my classmates, she was ALWAYS Pleasant. I am going to miss her.

I pray that God will strengthen you all during this very difficult time and may the memories of Mrs. Pollock forever linger in your hearts.

Alicia Eldridge
Charlotte, NC

Alicia Eldridge - June 03, 2020 at 09:34 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 03, 2020 at 12:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.*



June 02, 2020 at 11:43 PM



“ *Mrs Pollack you truly were amazing you weren't just are teacher at Jackie Robinson you were always concern about are well being in and out of school you were a great mentor to me I always looked up to you a lot of us from school were lucky to live in the same neighborhood as you so you still stayed in our lives as we grew up I spent many different times having deep coversation on your front porch you are loved by many and will be missed dearly Mrs P my condolences to the family*

Tarijauna Vincent - June 02, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.*



June 02, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.*



June 02, 2020 at 06:34 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.*



June 02, 2020 at 06:00 PM



“ *Tega, I'm sending heartfelt condolences to you and your family. You are sincerely in my prayers. May God's comfort surround you in the days, months, and years to come.*



Joy - June 02, 2020 at 05:54 PM

TB

“ Geneva’s personality was far bigger than her petite body. She was New Haven’s #1 nurse/usher, always ready and willing to serve. She could be counted on to be a comforting presence at home going services and ever ready with her supplies and tissues! Over the many years of ushering with her and attending various services and other events, it was rare for her not to say, “that was one of my students”. I would always joke with her that she seemed like she taught everyone in New Haven. She was always so kind and giving to my own three children as well. When we traveled together to usher events, she would say, “here, you drive my car”. Of course I would have to move the seat back as it was pushed up to the steering wheel. Geneva was just a joyful, bubbly, effervescent person to be around. We all got a kick out of how she would enter a room and announce, “I have arrived!” or how she lovingly called you, “Darling”. When I think of her, I cannot help but smile and laugh because she was definitely one of a kind. She will be greatly missed! I extend my deepest condolences to the family. Cherish the memories and may God bless and keep you.

Tanya L Bell - June 02, 2020 at 05:28 PM

FC

To the family of Geneva Pollock. Geneva Pollock was an amazing woman one that touch your heart. when you first met her she was a very committed and dedicated teacher and friend. She had the compassion to connect with children and pulling the best out of them, making sure they strive to do their very best to succeed in life she was a committed usher board person everytime you saw her. She always had a smile and something kind to say. her compassion and commitment was in what she did is truly a gift from God. she was deeply committed to the people that you care about. She will truly be missed. I will forever cherish the memories that we shared together. I will keep the family in my prayers and know that God is always with you.
With love from Florence Caldwell and family.

Florence Caldwell - June 04, 2020 at 11:31 AM

BS

“ Geneva was a dedicated usher at Community. I ushered with her for many years before I got married and moved my membership. She was fun to be around but did what was required of her to to her duty. With sincere condolence to her family. God will sustain you in this difficult time. Beverly Hall Scott, Suffolk, VA

Beverly Scott - June 02, 2020 at 04:35 PM

AB

“ My sincere Love and sympathy is with the Family. "What a friend to have." Mrs Geneva gave love, hugs and words of wisdom to myself and so many others. Annie Barrett-Edwards, Tony, Keisha, Jackie



Annie Barrett - June 02, 2020 at 04:16 PM

TD

“ Muntega and family,
May you find comfort during this time of bereavement
know that your mom touched a lot of lives
her spiciness and strut will forever be apart of my thoughts of her
Know that you are all in my prayers today and always

Towanna Duncan - June 02, 2020 at 03:04 PM

ST

“ Sarah,Robert & Stephen Weeks. Chattanooga, TN purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Geneva Pollock.



Sarah,Robert & Stephen Weeks. Chattanooga, TN - June 02, 2020 at 11:17 AM

SP

“ Thank you Mrs. Pollock for being a bright candle at Jackie Robinson during my tenure there. I always knew that your door was open to me and your ears were mine to discuss any issue I had whether with students, admin or personal. Thank you for being a bright smiling face at my ex-mother-in-law's funeral with a welcoming hug for me and my mother. I am both upset and happy with your departure because you are a loss for not only my life, but the city of New Haven as well. I take solace in knowing that you are a bright light in the heaven and I will see you again. May the Lord we serve welcome you with open arms into eternal rest. You are loved and missed.

Soraya

Soraya Potter - June 02, 2020 at 11:04 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 02, 2020 at 10:55 AM

WM

“ Mrs. Pollack was a wonderful person. She always showed you love & concern each time you encountered her. She always encouraged you to get your education and do your best as young black American children in the school system. I am glad that I got a chance to know her. I send my condolences out to all of her family which is also my family. Rest in power



Wanda Moore - June 02, 2020 at 08:20 AM

DB

“ Deirdre Brown lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock



deirdre brown - June 02, 2020 at 08:12 AM

TY

“ I remember she ALWAYS had that saying :Nothing for nothing LEADS nothing" and "Everybody loves me...and so do I" I got tons of rides in her jetta with no heat no radio and 1 tail light. S.I.P. Ms. Pollock.

Ty - June 02, 2020 at 08:09 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 02, 2020 at 07:44 AM

AC

“ THIS WOMAN. Such an honor to work with her at Jackie Robinson Middle School. She always kept her cool. Gentle, funny, straightforward. It was a privilege and a comfort to work along side her. Her gentle spirit touched so many. My deepest sympathy to her family. Ms. "C"

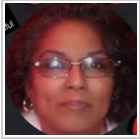
Annette Chittenden - June 02, 2020 at 07:36 AM

CT

“ *Cordelia Thorpe sent a virtual gift in memory of Geneva Pollock*



cordelia Thorpe - June 02, 2020 at 04:27 AM



“ *Consuela Laurent lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock*



Consuela Laurent - June 02, 2020 at 01:09 AM

MP

“ *DEEPEST CONDOLENCES!!💜💜MY FAVORITE TEACHER ALWAYS SHE WAS THE ONLY TEACHER OUT MY 12 YRS OF SCHOOL I KNEW THAT ACTUALLY CARED !! LOVE ALWAYS S.I.P💜💜*

manda price - June 02, 2020 at 01:05 AM

R.

“ *My Condolences and Prayers goes out to the family. She was my teacher 30 years ago. She was a very nice woman and a very caring teacher.*

R.Johnson - June 02, 2020 at 12:45 AM

MH

“ Ms. Pollock was a very loving and nurturing teacher. I remember as being full of life, zest and spunk. She had a beautiful smile and always made me laugh. I spent a lot of time in her home on Thompson Street as a child. I will miss her.

Mercedes Hodge - June 01, 2020 at 08:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.



June 01, 2020 at 08:03 PM

AM

“ A True Friend to all sleep on beautiful we thank you for teaching my Danielle Moore to be the best at everything she did..

Ann Moore - June 01, 2020 at 08:00 PM

DM

“ Ms. Geneva was a beautiful spirit and so full of positivity and an Educator That loved her students, and colleagues ! I so enjoyed watching her usher at her church ... such an armed servant of the Lord. Condolences to her family, friends, colleagues , and the thousands of students she helped gain knowledge in New Haven Public Schools !

Dee Marshall - June 01, 2020 at 07:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.*



June 01, 2020 at 06:50 PM



“ *To the family of Mrs. Pollock. I have such fond memories of her as my 7th grade English teacher at Jackie Robinson Middle School. She made learning fun and she enjoyed teaching. May she rest until Jesus comes. Keeping your family in my prayers 🙏*

Donna Henry-Greene

Donna Henry-Greene - June 01, 2020 at 06:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Geneva Pollock.*



June 01, 2020 at 06:12 PM

LA

“ Mrs polluck was my english teacher in Jackie robinson, but as the years past by I would always see her at a funeral and I always said to her "Mrs Pollock you never aged and she was always conceited in a funny way about her beauty and we always looked forward to hearing it and everytime I saw her she would say "Latonya I am still conceited because it's hard being beautiful and she was right because she was beautiful inside and out her character spoke for itself the minute she came Into a room. She will be very very missed in the community and in church services and funerals while ushering and helping grieving families by embracing them and covering their tears with tissues I am glad to have known Mrs Pollock rest well as you deserve praying for this family at this difficult time

Latonya Bass Atkinson - June 01, 2020 at 05:57 PM



“ Consuela Laurent lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock



Consuela Laurent - June 01, 2020 at 05:47 PM

DA

“ Delores Alleyne lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock



Delores Alleyne - June 01, 2020 at 05:46 PM

HP

“ To Pollack Family:going miss my club member at Dixwell Senior Center,customer at Stop&shop messing with her about buying soda for her husband “buddy”or sending something to her grand-dgt. She was great usher at funeral’s comforting family & friends if needed lending ear or advice.now here labor is finish here going home upstairs to help family &friends with her ❤️ SIP my sister



Helen C Powell - June 01, 2020 at 05:42 PM

HP

“ To Pollack Family:sending condolences to our Dixwell &Newhallville Member,always kept the club of sick& shut in members sending cards,visiting, or doing her ushering. Always had smile and giving information if member needed May her soul SIP



Helen C Powell - June 01, 2020 at 05:34 PM

PN

“ Paula Nixon lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock



Paula Nixon - June 01, 2020 at 05:06 PM

RL

“ To the family of Sister Geneva Pollack, we the members of St. Paul A.M.E. Zion Church in Shorter, AL, wanted to express our sincere condolences. You guys are in our prayers.

Rev. Beverly Lewis - June 01, 2020 at 05:03 PM

RL

“ *Rev. Beverly Lewis lit a candle in memory of Geneva Pollock*



Rev. Beverly Lewis - June 01, 2020 at 05:00 PM

SB

To Muntega:

I am truly sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. I recently found out that she would visit my 99 year old Dad (Mr. Farley) often. She would have him laughing. Muntega your Mom was a cheerful high spirited person. Please accept my condolences.

Shelia Best

Shelia Best - June 03, 2020 at 02:27 PM

FC

My sincerest condolences and prayers to the Pollock family. Geneva Pollock was an amazing nutrient caring and loving person. She had a profound impact on everyone that she met always a smile on her face and always a kind word to say. She was a truly dedicated teacher and committed. She taught her students to strive to be the very best and never give up on themselves. she was a committed teacher, Usher and board member, also a Community leader. she always spoke her mind about what's right and wrong but said it in a caring way when spoken. Anytime we saw each other we would always reminisce about good times we shared as her being my daughter's teacher and being friends I will carry and cherish the memories of her forever in my heart. She was a remarkable woman and friend. please remember to lean on God to help you through this most difficult time With Love Florence Caldwell and family

Florence Caldwell - June 04, 2020 at 12:03 PM