



## Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis

November 2, 1938 - April 3, 2013

Early Wednesday morning, April 3, 2013, our beloved Delores Congleton Purvis gracefully left her earthly home and entered into eternal heavenly rest with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

The sixth child born to the late Willie Burns and Nolie Little Burns on November 2, 1938, Delores spent her early years in Pitt and Martin Counties. She matriculated through Martin County Schools, graduating in 1957 from East End High School, Robersonville, NC. At an early age, Delores joined Belmont Missionary Baptist Church in Robersonville, and was a member of the Belmont Gospel Chorus. She loved to sing, and she could sing!

Delores, or "Polly" as she was affectionately named and known by family and friends, married James S. Congleton, Sr. in 1958. To this blessed union were born three sons who survive. James Congleton, Sr. preceded her in death in 1985. "Polly" moved to Greenville, NC in 1994, and in 1995, she married Arthur Purvis.

Mrs. Purvis' employment career exemplified her love for people, and her desire to serve others of all ages. She worked as a nurse for Dr. Daily before becoming employed for many years with the Martin County Schools as a Teacher Assistant. In this role, she distinguished herself as a caring, gifted helper and friend, especially to youth. Her professional affiliations and community involvement included: Member of the NC Teacher Assistants Association; and Pride of East, Chapter #524.

Affiliating with the Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church in 1995, Sister Purvis

was a dutiful and faithful member in ministry. She served with the Hospitality Committee, and she was a member of the Mother's Board. Mother Purvis truly loved her Lord, her precious family, and her church. As long as her health permitted, she served all with loving strength and gracious support.

One of Mother Purvis' favorite songs, "I Won't Complain" mirrored her spirit to all. Exuding with a joyful personality, she enjoyed coordinating and hosting various family gatherings, including the family's reunion activities. Good fellowship was indeed a heart-throb for this special servant and friend to many.

Mother Purvis leaves to celebrate her life and cherish her memory: three sons – James S. Congleton, Jr.; Chauncey B. Congleton (Twana); and Samuel "Bernie" Congleton, all of Greenville, NC; eight grandchildren – De'Carol Little, Jamelle Congleton, Cameron Congleton, Tyler Congleton, Jada Congleton, Jala Congleton, Landen Congleton, and Rylan Congleton; three great-grandchildren; one brother, Gene Alton Burns (Margie) of Tarboro, NC; a mother-in-law, Mrs. Julia Wallace Congleton of Robersonville, NC; eight sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; and a special former daughter-in-law, Terry M. Congleton of Greenville. Mother Purvis was predeceased by a daughter, Carolyn Jean Little. Also cherishing her memory is a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street  
Greenville, NC 27858

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Tonya Hamrick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



**tonya hamrick** - April 26, 2013 at 11:05 PM



*In honor of mr jimmy and family may god continue to strenghten u. luv always. Tonya Hamrick*

**tonya hamrick** - April 26, 2013 at 11:12 PM



“ *Jimmie & Family, We are very sorry to hear of the passing of your (Polly). We are praying for you and the family, Joe & Peggy Slade/Robersonville, NC*



**Peggy Slade** - April 07, 2013 at 04:05 PM

TJ

“ Twzondria (Sone) Jenkins-Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis



Twzondria (Sone) Jenkins-Johnson - April 07, 2013 at 08:42 AM

TJ

*I am so sorry for your loss of Ms. Polly. She will be missed and you guys did a magnificent job being there for her and she knew that and she loved you all. I will continue to keep everyone in my prayers, as you have done for my father as well..They both will and will be missed.*

Twzondria (Sone) Jenkins-Johnson - April 07, 2013 at 08:46 AM



“ My Aunt Polly, mere words will never be able to express how much I love you. You were so special to me. I will always remember the talks, laughs, and even the times when you got on me for not calling.



Brenda Lawrence - April 06, 2013 at 09:25 PM



“ 48 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Congleton Memorial Mortuary** - April 06, 2013 at 08:33 PM

CW

“ To the Congleton family, we want to extend our deepest sympathies! Carlton and I valued our friendship with Dee. We felt she was a part of our family! Even though we loved her, God loved her more! May you all find strength in these next few days and weeks! We are sending love and prayers your way!



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**Carlton and Pauline Wooten** - April 06, 2013 at 04:39 PM

BP

“ Jimmy and family,  
My heart is heavy! I really loved your Mother  
and I will miss her dearly! She asked my  
siblings and I to call her Aunt Dee and we did!  
She was a dear friend to our family so much  
so that she became family as well! I saw her every chance I could  
when I visited Greenville! I will miss sending her the cards that I  
made that she loved so much! Just know that my heart and prayers  
are with you all! Be strong and find strength in the love and prayers  
being sent to you.



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**Brenda Wooten Porter** - April 06, 2013 at 04:32 PM

SP

“ Jimmy, Sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. May God  
comfort you as you were there for us during the passing of our  
mother. God Bless you! Sylvia Purvis

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**Sylvia Purvis** - April 06, 2013 at 10:31 AM

JW

“ Jimmy,  
We just learned of your mom's passing. We  
lift you and the family in prayer during this  
your time of bereavement. Know that the  
Worsley and Wilson families are praying that  
you will feel God's comfort, just as God has used you to comfort  
many others.



*James & Dianne Wilson*

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**James & Dianne Wilson** - April 05, 2013 at 10:43 AM

DS

“ Cuz,i am so sad to hear the passing of my cousin Polly. She was a sweet,sweet person and i enjoyed talking to her.Cousin Polly,she really knew how to put a smile on your face she will be greatly missed.To my family keep your head up and let God take care of the rest the sun will shine again. Love Diane & Joe Stancil Calvin & Brenda Carmack, James Perkins and Orbie Barnes.



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**Diane Carmack Stancil** - April 05, 2013 at 12:15 AM

RI

*Jimmy and the whole family, I was so saddened to hear that your mom had passed. I can only imagine the pain of losing someone that had raised such wonderful children. Her measure is taken by your lives and it is overflowing.*  
*With deepest sympathies,*  
*Richard and Mari-Lynn Finley*

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**Richard** - April 06, 2013 at 09:33 PM

VE

“ God bless this family as they mourn the lost of their mother, let the tears dry swiftly and let them rejoice in your words. Weeping endure for a moment but joy cometh in the morning. Polly was a sweet soul and she will be missed by many.



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**Valerie Diane Ebron** - April 04, 2013 at 10:20 PM

LA

“ *Lit a candle in memory of*



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**Louis & Sandra Alston** - April 04, 2013 at 08:16 PM

LA

*And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.*

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**Louis & Sandra Alston** - April 04, 2013 at 08:28 PM

CF

“ *Courtney & Staff At Gallop Funeral lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



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**Courtney & Staff at Gallop Funeral** - April 04, 2013 at 08:10 PM

DW

“ *Deacon Wooden & Deaconess Pat Wooden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



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**Deacon Wooden & Deaconess Pat Wooden** - April 04, 2013 at 07:17 PM

PC

“ *Pherbia Chadwick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



**Pherbia Chadwick** - April 04, 2013 at 05:29 PM



*A beautiful loving spirit inside and out will be missed so much by many especially me. I have never met anyone who can tell a story like Polly she would have you glued to your seat captivated by every word, she kept me in stitches and was a joy to be around and to know...Sleep on Polly, I'll see you on the other side...*

**Pherbia Chadwick** - April 04, 2013 at 05:39 PM

DA

“ *Donnie Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



**Donnie Andrews** - April 04, 2013 at 05:11 PM

DS

“ *Diane Stephens purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis.*



**Diane Stephens** - April 04, 2013 at 04:48 PM

DB

“ *Demetrice Bland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



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**Demetrice Bland** - April 04, 2013 at 01:59 PM

MM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of*



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**Maria D. Marshall** - April 04, 2013 at 10:46 AM

MB

“ *Sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. Delores. May God continue to Bless and keep the family.*



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**mary Brown** - April 04, 2013 at 08:18 AM

PA

“ *Pat Atlantic lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Delores "Polly" Congleton Purvis*



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**Pat Atlantic** - April 03, 2013 at 08:06 PM