



## Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton

September 6, 1972 - March 11, 2023

Mrs. Joycelyn Lynnette Clayton, 50 of Mebane NC, went home to be with the Lord on March 11, 2023.

On September 6, 1972 Joycelyn was born in Pitt County and grew up in Martin County. After she graduated from Roanoke High School she went on to study in Education and Counseling at North Carolina Central University where she graduated with her Masters.

Joycelyn worked several years with C. A. Dillon Youth Development Center in Butner, N.C. in her education and counseling field. After leaving C. A. Dillon, she worked several years with Eastern Alamance High School in Mebane, N.C. in her counseling field. Joycelyn left the full-time education field to start subbing when able due to her health situation. Joycelyn retired from work in 2011 at the request of her loving husband due to increased health challenges. One of her favorite things to do was to be with her family. She enjoyed planning family reunions and loved to see all her family laughing and reminiscing. She also loved to watch the children play and would take time to ask them how school was going. Her and Jimmy loved to travel together and would often take cruises and stay at luxury 5-Star Resorts. Joycelyn and Jimmy often took their mothers (Mrs. Joyce Hyman (Billy) the late Ms. Geraldine Hassell), the late Aunt Maggie and other friends and family with them on their vacations without lodge costs.

Joycelyn favorite symbol was a butterfly because it represented her Journey with Lupus.

Joycelyn had an unwavering strength and a strong faith in the Lord. She had a kind gentle spirit which would exude from her wherever she went. One of her favorite songs is by Luther Barnes, God's Grace.

Joycelyn is survived by the love of her life Mr. Jimmy Clayton, whom she affectionately called her confidant, lover, and best friend; her parents, Mr. Curtis Howard (Dorothy) of Bethel, NC and Mrs. Joyce Hyman (Billy) of Robersonville, NC; her step-father, Larry Hyman (Emma) of Goldsboro, NC; her brothers, LeShay Hyman of Sacramento, CA, Curtis Howard Jr. (Tineka) of Bethel, NC, Kevin Howard (Jennifer) of Bethel, NC; her aunt, Peggy Wilson (Henry) of Parmele, NC, her uncles, James Matthewson (Ida) of Alabama, Charles Matthewson (Brenda) of Williamston, NC, and Donnie Matthewson (Paulette) of Fayetteville, NC; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Joycelyn will always be remembered for her tenacity to live a Joyous life despite her Chronic Health Conditions. She truly lived her life to the fullest and has left a remarkable impression on all those who had the privilege of knowing her.

# Cemetery Details

## Robersonville Memorial Gardens

2418 C.L. Keel Road  
Robersonville, NC 27871

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 17. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Congleton Funeral Home and Cremations Chapel  
304 West Liberty Street  
Williamston, NC 27892

## Celebration of Life Service

MAR 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

Willow Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
3634 Robert Everett Road  
Robersonville, NC 27871

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Please know that we are thinking of family and friends at this time of sorrow and the days ahead.*

*The butterfly symbol chosen as Mother Clayton takes her rest from the pain of the earthly illness of lupus.*

*Rest In Peace Mrs. Clayton R.I P.*



**Evangelist V. S. Moore and Family** - March 19, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *To my Brother, Jimmy Clayton and family, I give to you my deepest and sincerest condolences. Just know that God doesn't make any mistakes. Continue to look towards the hills from which comes your help for all of your help comes from our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*



**Sister Myra Hall, Tennessee** - March 19, 2023 at 01:45 AM

ST

“ *The Thompson Family, Ruby, Audra and Stephanie would like to send our sincere condolences to the family. Our family is keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers.*



Stephanie Thompson - March 18, 2023 at 11:32 PM

LS

“ *My condolences ❤️ I am sending my love, hugs and prayers.. I am so sorry for this loss, but knows she is in a much better place with the Lord.. No matter how often we saw each other, it felt the same everytime.. She was always sweet and welcoming.. continue to rest peacefully & love you always!*



Lequan, Sam Jr & Sahni - March 18, 2023 at 03:07 PM

LB

“ *Leslie Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



Leslie Brown - March 18, 2023 at 01:32 PM

ST

“ *Sylvia Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



Sylvia Taylor - March 17, 2023 at 05:25 PM

JB

“ *Juanita P. Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Juanita P. Brown** - March 17, 2023 at 05:23 PM



“ *Joyce Purvis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Joyce Purvis** - March 17, 2023 at 09:06 AM

RH

“ *The Queen to my best friend. A loving friend and sister. The conversations we had, the laughter and fun moments. So many good memories. She was a gentle soul, sweet and comforting spirit. Jimmy made sure she wanted for nothing and was determined they see the world together. GODs newest angel will always be present. Love you my sister.*



**Ricky L. Hart** - March 17, 2023 at 08:48 AM

TM

“ *Tanya Matthewson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Tanya Matthewson** - March 16, 2023 at 11:31 PM

CC

“ *Carlton Clemons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Carlton Clemons** - March 16, 2023 at 08:51 PM

WM

“ *My thoughts and prayers goes out to the family*



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**william matthewson** - March 16, 2023 at 08:17 PM

WW

“ *Sending hugs and prayers to the Clayton family during this difficult time. Joycelyn had a heart of gold and she will be truly missed by us!! May God continue to bless you all. Love, Willie & Stephannie Whitfield*



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**Willie & Stephannie Whitfield** - March 16, 2023 at 07:33 PM

RB

“ I light a candle, for you my sister that I come to fall in love with because we share so much in common. Your spirit was like no other huh your joy was unimaginable. Your devotion and love for your husband was what US wives strive to have. This is very hard, but I know the struggle that you fought, God saw no reason to continue to allow you to suffer. From labor to reward is what you have now, and I will never forget our conversations, your smile, or I love you sis that we used to tell each other. Take your rest my angel.



Rosetta M Baldwin - March 16, 2023 at 06:31 PM



“ My heart and prayers goes out to Jimmy and the family. I have watched the LOVE you've shared with your wife on social media. You two were a match made in heaven. I loved the way you both LOVED each other. I pray God send comfort for all of you. Know this....God is pleased with how you took care of your wife and we all are too. ❤️❤️❤️



Stayce Locke - March 16, 2023 at 05:30 PM

SM

“ Cousin Joycelyn was one of a kind. She had a fragile body, but she had a fighting spirit and a strong mind. Her commitment to family was unquestionable and her love for Jimmy was undeniable. She will be greatly missed. My prayers and thoughts are with all of us.

Stephen Matthewson - March 16, 2023 at 02:50 PM

DT

“ DENNIS THIGPEN lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



DENNIS THIGPEN - March 16, 2023 at 10:07 AM



“ To everyone that has reached out to me, her mother, Mrs. Joyce Hyman, her brother, Mr. Leshay Hyman, her father, Mr. Curtis Howard, and her stepfather, Mr. Larry Hyman, I Thank for All of us, most especially me. Through your visitation, phone calls, textes, and virtual communications during her time here on this side

Jimmy Clayton - March 16, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ 40 files added to the tribute wall



Jimmy Clayton - March 16, 2023 at 08:58 AM



“ I light this candle for my Loving Wife, Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton, that left me too early to be with Our GOD on time. Forever Love .... Her Husband..Mr. Jimmy Clayton



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**Jimmy Clayton** - March 16, 2023 at 08:26 AM

FR

“ This is truly a hard one , I call her mom Clayton. She is such a sweet, classy and beautiful woman. She kept us ladies on our best behavior and Daddy Clayton. Abigail #81 will never forget you mom.

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**Felydia E Richardson** - March 16, 2023 at 08:07 AM

GW

“ Givita Walker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



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**Givita Walker** - March 16, 2023 at 04:46 AM

BC

“ Bobbie Clemons lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



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**Bobbie Clemons** - March 15, 2023 at 11:16 PM

AB

*Heavenly Father we thank you for this beautiful angel that you sent here to be with us we know you need her more than we do so be with the family let them know she's always to be in your heart, love Linda Brooks and Family from Atlanta Georgia*

**Andrea Brooks** - March 16, 2023 at 10:36 AM

MP

“ *Michael Purvis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Michael Purvis** - March 15, 2023 at 10:12 PM

BP

“ *Brenda Purvis lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Brenda Purvis** - March 15, 2023 at 10:10 PM

VT

“ *This was very sad news. Growing up as her classmate I have always seen her sweet spirit despite all the challenges she faced. She is a true Angel. My condolences to all of her family and friends.* ❤️



**Vickie Teel** - March 15, 2023 at 09:42 PM

DR

“ I didn't know Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton but I felt like I knew her through her husband. He always talked about her like she was really a queen. When he showed me a picture of her, then I knew why he called her queen because she really did look like a queen. I was hoping I could meet her one day in person, but God called her with him so I know she's in a better place. My prayers are with the family.



DeeBra Richardson 🙏

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DeeBra Richardson - March 15, 2023 at 09:19 PM

KP

“ To the Clayton, Matthewson, and Howard families, my sincere sympathy goes out to you all. May God continue to sustain you at this difficult time.



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Kay Frances Peele - March 15, 2023 at 07:05 PM

AW

“ Antionette Andrews Wheeler lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



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Antionette Andrews Wheeler - March 15, 2023 at 06:06 PM

EH

“ So very sorry about your loss. I'm keeping you and your family in my prayers 🙏.

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Earnest Hudson - March 15, 2023 at 03:51 PM

JA

“ *Judy Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Judy Andrews** - March 15, 2023 at 03:36 PM

RM

“ *Our prayers and condolences to the family and friends of the Clayton Family. Joycelyn and I were co-workers at CA Dillon School, Butner, NC. Her sweet and gentle demeanor will forever be remembered.*

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**Ralph and Linda McNeil** - March 15, 2023 at 02:23 PM

NL

“ *My heartfelt condolences go out to the entire family. May God's peace and comfort be with you.*



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**Nechole Little** - March 15, 2023 at 02:04 PM

AM

“ To The Clayton and Hyman families, Words can't ease your pain .But God can so in this time please do what you do. Lean on God . As you go through know that I'm only a phone call away. You know how close Joyce and I was and I'm going to make sure . I carry her wishes out. I wasn't just her hairstylist I was one of her closest friend and we became Sissy over 20 plus years. We spending every other week(Tuesday) together laugh and talking about everything you can imagine. A lot of time Joyce would come see me and I would have her favorite food cook for her . she would say ( Missy you know what I like ( with that big smile ) My heart is heavy and I know I cried a river ,But I know what she would say " Missy Don't do that because I am with the Lord now and he's talking about how you made sure I was always looking BEAUTIFUL when I left you . Sissy I Love you and miss you so much . You are my BUTTERFLY... Love you forever Sissy / Angela Moore



Angela Moore - March 15, 2023 at 01:52 PM

R&

“ Rev.Milton & Delores Staton &Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Rev.Milton & Delores Staton &Family - March 15, 2023 at 09:57 AM

VS

“ Vickie Smallwood lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Vickie Smallwood - March 15, 2023 at 09:32 AM

VS

“ Such a loving and caring person despite her health challenges. Joycelyn will be greatly missed by her friends, classmates, family, and her husband Jimmy. My condolences during this time and prayers for God's comfort.

Vickie Smallwood - March 15, 2023 at 09:30 AM

JR

“ My blessings and peace are with my dear brother Jimmy Clayton and family. Mrs. Clayton was such a beautiful soul. May God be pleased with Mrs. Clayton's Earthly work as God prepares a place worthy of her crown. 🙏

Johnnie Rhodes - March 15, 2023 at 08:25 AM

BP

“ Brad Park lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Brad Park - March 15, 2023 at 08:22 AM

GB

“ Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton, you were the strongest and bravest person I know. I’ve watched you fight this battle for over 40 years and you fought it like a champion! Although my heart is broken but my spirit is rejoicing with the Angels as God welcomes you home. Every butterfly that I see will encourage me fight the good fight of faith until we meet again. Your Loving Friend, Germaine!

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**Germaine Baldwin** - March 15, 2023 at 07:30 AM

JM

“ Joyce McMillan-Smith lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



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**Joyce McMillan-Smith** - March 14, 2023 at 10:24 PM

MR

“ Maranda Ross lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



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**Maranda Ross** - March 14, 2023 at 10:23 PM

KR

“ An angel on earth, who I'm grateful to have known. Thank you Jimmy, Ms. Joyce, Shay and family for taking good care of such a sweet spirit.

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**Kim Roberson** - March 14, 2023 at 10:13 PM

CC

“ Corey Coburn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Corey Coburn - March 14, 2023 at 09:57 PM

SJ

“ To the Clayton family, sorry for your loss may God be with you at this time. You're in my thoughts and prayers.



Sylvia Jones - March 14, 2023 at 09:29 PM

PD

“ Phyllis L. Drew/ Isaball Daye lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Phyllis L. Drew/ Isaball Daye - March 14, 2023 at 09:26 PM

LW

“ Sincerest condolences to Jimmy and to Joycelyn's Family. She was such a beautiful and kind soul that will be missed. Prayers are with you all at this difficult time. May God be with you through this and always.  
Neighbors Lynne-Anne & Jim Wolf



Lynne-Anne Wolf - March 14, 2023 at 09:25 PM

OK

“ *My deepest and sincere condolences to the family of Jocelyn Clayton. Earth has no sorrow that heaven can not heal.*



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**Odessa Keel-Pugh** - March 14, 2023 at 09:14 PM

SR

“ *Sending love and light! Love ya* ❤️ ✨ ✨

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**Shanice Roberson** - March 14, 2023 at 08:34 PM

ST

“ *To the Clayton, Hyman, and Matthewson families... My sincere condolences... 🙏 Praying for strength, comfort, peace, healing, and lots of love at this difficult time.* ❤️ Sylvia

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**Sylvia Taylor** - March 14, 2023 at 07:30 PM

DH

“ *Darius & Leslie Hudgins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Darius & Leslie Hudgins** - March 14, 2023 at 07:12 PM

NW

“ *Nelson & Ethel Wallace lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Nelson & Ethel Wallace** - March 14, 2023 at 07:06 PM

TF

“ *Teresa Fleming lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Teresa Fleming** - March 14, 2023 at 06:55 PM

DB

“ *Deborah Battle lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Deborah Battle** - March 14, 2023 at 06:40 PM

LE

“ *Sending healing prayers and comfort. Wishing family and friends thoughts and prayers during this tough time.*



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**LaTonya Everett** - March 14, 2023 at 02:52 PM

DC

“ To the Matthewson, Hyman and Clayton families my prayers are with you at this time. May God continue to Strengthen you.



Donte Crowell - March 14, 2023 at 01:12 PM

JM

“ To the Clayton family, You have my deepest condolences on the passing of your loved one. May God give you all strength and comfort in your time of sorrow.



Jennifer Moore - March 14, 2023 at 10:13 AM

CE

“ Charles and Geraline Ebron are praying God gives you the love, comfort and strength to accept the passing of your love one. Lean on God. He cares for us. He will see you through.



Charles and Geraline Ebron - March 14, 2023 at 09:25 AM

JH

“ Joyce D Howard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Joyce D Howard - March 14, 2023 at 09:02 AM



“ *Danny Bland lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Danny Bland** - March 14, 2023 at 07:50 AM



“ *James And Amy Brown lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**James and Amy Brown** - March 14, 2023 at 01:24 AM



“ *Tiponya Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Tiponya Williams** - March 13, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *My Sinceres Condolences, Take Yur Rest School Mate & Classmate,* 🌸🌸🌸



**Teresa Bland** - March 13, 2023 at 09:50 PM

JM

“ My deepest condolences to my cousin Annette and to Joycelyn's husband as they go through these trying times. Prayers are going up for all of the family. Praying that God wrap his arms around each one and every one of them.



Josephine Parker Mourning - March 13, 2023 at 09:12 PM

PB

“ Pauline Bellamy lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Pauline Bellamy - March 13, 2023 at 09:10 PM

JS

“ Jarvis And Angelene Stokes sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Jarvis and Angelene Stokes - March 13, 2023 at 08:13 PM

MM

“ Maria Marshall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Maria Marshall - March 13, 2023 at 08:10 PM

NW

“ *Nahketa Ward lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Nahketa Ward** - March 13, 2023 at 06:05 PM

EH

“ *My Condolences And Prayers Are With The Family*



**Evangelist Gwen Hudson** - March 13, 2023 at 06:00 PM

QL

“ *Q'uintina Little lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Q'uintina Little** - March 13, 2023 at 05:53 PM

CE

“ *Charles And Geraline Ebron lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



**Charles and Geraline Ebron** - March 13, 2023 at 04:34 PM

BP

“ *Bonita Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Bonita Phillips** - March 13, 2023 at 04:30 PM

PM

“ *Patricia Modica lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Patricia Modica** - March 13, 2023 at 03:58 PM

TJ

“ *Tonya Joyner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Tonya Joyner** - March 13, 2023 at 03:50 PM

RC

“ *Reverend Dora Cox lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**reverend dora cox** - March 13, 2023 at 01:38 PM

ST

*To the Clayton, Matthewson, and Hyman families...  
My sincere condolences for you at this time. 🙏 Praying for strength,  
comfort, peace and lots of love at this time of sorrow.*  
❤️ Sylvia Taylor

Sylvia Taylor - March 14, 2023 at 07:21 PM

HD

“ Hazel Brown Davis lit a candle in memory of  
Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton



Hazel Brown Davis - March 13, 2023 at 10:13 AM

JS

“ With Love and Care we will miss that bright  
light that shines so heavily. Now the whole  
world will see it.....Be blessed 😇 and know  
she is in GODs care!! Jessandra AKA  
Poochie Stanley



Jessandra Stanley - March 13, 2023 at 12:58 AM

JH

“ Jaunese Hines lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Joycelyn Clayton



Jaunese Hines - March 12, 2023 at 06:39 PM

EH

“ *May Jesus Christ Continues To Comfort And Strengthen The Family*



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**Evangelist Gwen Hudson** - March 12, 2023 at 05:42 PM

EH

“ *Earnest Hudson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joycelyn Clayton*



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**Earnest Hudson** - March 12, 2023 at 04:54 PM

CS

“ *Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.*



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**Congleton Funeral Home and Staff** - March 12, 2023 at 12:12 PM