



Carol E. Crain

September 5, 1947 - January 11, 2019

Carol Ellen Williamson Crain, 71, of Taylors, S.C., died on January 11, 2019. Born in Oakland, California, she grew up in Washington, Pennsylvania, as a daughter of Betty Lee Day and the late Edward Williamson. She was a retired teacher and a member of Sandhills Assembly of God, Southern Pines, N.C. Also surviving are her husband, Larry Steve Crain of the home, and two daughters, Janelle Lee Smith (Terry) of Taylors, S.C., and Suzanne Crain Miller (Chad) of Raleigh, N.C.

Mrs. Crain affirmed that she “accepted Christ as her Savior” when she was four and a half years old at a “Vacation Bible School held at Broad St. Baptist Church in Washington, PA.” A 1969 Bob Jones University graduate, she taught at Gateway Elementary School in Travelers Rest, S.C., before moving from Greenville, S.C., to N.C., in 1988. She last taught school at Hoffman Elementary, Richmond County, N.C. In recent years, she led inspirational book discussions and mailed letters to many, calling her letters “Envelope Hugs.” An account of her letter-writing can be found at www.carolecrain.blogspot.com. She and her husband moved from Southern Pines, N.C., to Taylors, S.C. in January 2018. After a six-year battle with pulmonary hypertension, she passed peacefully at Hospice House of the Carolina Foothills, Landrum, S.C. Funeral services will be held 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at The Wood Mortuary, Greer, S.C., conducted by Rev. Jerry Brown and Rev. Steven Sturm. Burial will follow in Hillcrest Memory Gardens.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at The Wood

Mortuary, Greer, S.C.

The family is at the home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested for Assemblies of God World Missions, 1445 N Boonville Ave., Springfield, MO 65802, or Hospice of the Carolina Foothills, P.O. Box 336, Forest City, N.C. 28043.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Memory Gardens

14050 East Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greer, SC 29651

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
(864) 877-3351
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

Service

JAN **16**. 12:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL
300 West Poinsett Street
Greer, SC 29650
(864) 877-3351
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

Tribute Wall



“ *The Wood Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Carol E. Crain*



The Wood Mortuary - January 15, 2019 at 09:45 AM

KD

*Dear Steve, I just loved seeing all the beautiful photos of Carol throughout the years! What a truly special person she was. I am so sorry for the pain of your loss, and I look forward to the day we will reunite once again with Carol.
With heartfelt sympathy,
Kathie*

Kathie Drake - January 15, 2019 at 10:29 PM



*Steve I will keep you in my prayers for strength and courage to stand in the faith you know so well . I miss her deeply already so I can't even imagine how you feel. You two were mightily blessed to have had each other. Prayers for your daughters and family will continue. Love ❤️
Lucille*

Lucille Christie - January 16, 2019 at 06:23 AM



“ *She was such a sweet lady. She was a customer at my restaurant, The Coach Light Cafe in Southern Pines, NC when we first opened. I am honored to say I am the owner of one of her envelope hugs and still have it 13 years later. Prayers for her family.*

Keri Johnson - January 29, 2019 at 02:39 PM

BR

She was my 5th grade teacher 💕 she was tough on us but with all good intentions and it helped a lot! She had me help her with so many things that I became "teachers pet" lol. So sad to hear of her passing.

Brittany Roberts - February 11, 2019 at 12:49 AM

HD

“ I have the best memory of Ms. Crain. She taught both of my sons. Made lasting impressions on them both as well as myself. She was the teacher that reached out to parents, kept them informed, which I might add was a weakness fo the Moore Cty School System. We would see her at church here in Aberdeen . My sons are in their 30s now, both successful businessmen. Im sure she had a place in the the development of their little lives. She was a great teacher and wonderful kind person. She will be missed by everyone who's life she touched.

Henry Downing

Henry Downing - January 17, 2019 at 03:32 PM

TS

*“ You are in our prayers, Steve. Carol touched so many lives and will be missed by so many. Our angel is now God's angel. We are here for you. We wish God's blessing and strength.
Tom and Jean Squier
Hannah and Buck*

Thomas Squier - January 17, 2019 at 11:01 AM

BT

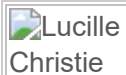
*“ Steve.....you and all you family are in our thoughts and prayers.
Bill & Karan
Pinehurst, NC*

Bill & Karan Twyman - January 16, 2019 at 08:39 AM



“ *There are so many memories beautiful, Humorous and serious memories of me and carol because we did a book club at Panera bread fir a few years until she couldn't. I cherish those times with her as they were carried an intimacy if getting to know each other in the deep places yet we laughed till we cried. I miss you carol and no one will be able to fill your shoes. See you later when it's my turn . Love you forever. Lucille*

Lucille Christie - January 16, 2019 at 06:17 AM



“ *Lucille Christie lit a candle in memory of Carol E. Crain*



Lucille Christie - January 16, 2019 at 06:13 AM

DL

“ *Steve, so sorry for you loss. Carole was a true friend. Over the years she would send me encouraging messages to lift me up and help when life was tough. I appreciate her ministry of encouragment. She will be missed by many.*



Dolly Lynn - January 15, 2019 at 04:33 PM

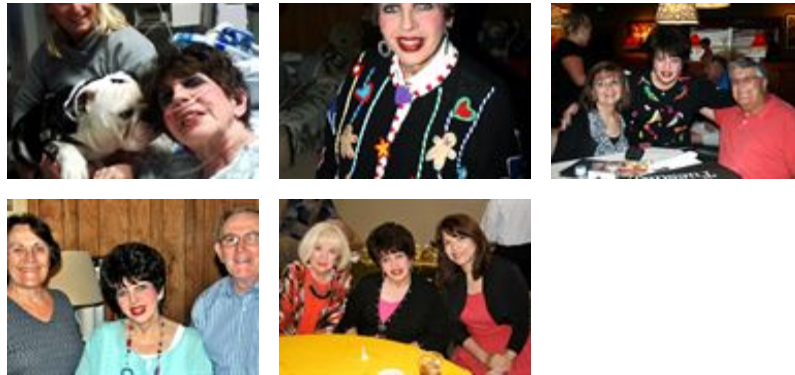
LP

“ *I taught with Carol at Aberdeen Middle many years ago. She was a wonderful and supportive person and I have lovely memories of our time together as teachers.
" A life well lived is never forgotten."*

Linda W. Pike - January 15, 2019 at 10:45 AM



“ 30 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



The Wood Mortuary - January 15, 2019 at 08:42 AM

FF

BEAUTIFUL TREASURED MEMORIES REST IN PEACE MRS. CAROL E. CRAIN

FRED SLATER A LONGTIME FRIEND - January 15, 2019 at 04:31 PM

MC

“ *I was the recipient of some of Carol's "hug envelopes." The sentiment was always the same, "God loves you and so do I." Being a teacher myself, I felt like a kindred spirit was praying for me when I was in the most tumultuous part of life (4 teens and a sick husband). I really wish we could have met in person. I trust that we will meet in Heaven.*

My deepest sympathy to you, Steve, and your family. Praying for God's peace and comfort.

--Melesa Canfield

Melesa Canfield - January 14, 2019 at 01:24 PM

KC

“ My earliest memories of my cousin Carol are at our house on Addison Street in Washington, Pa. She and her mom lived with my family for a time. Because our moms were close, we grew up spending a lot of time together, especially at Grandma Steele's house where we spent many summer days. We would spend a lot of time in the old swimming hole and playing tea party under the big pine tree, playing chinese checkers with Grandma and getting dressed up to go to "town". After we were grown, we always looked forward to her summertime visits with Steve.

From childhood on, she was always one of my favorite people. Her love for Jesus always shone through everything she did. I was often a recipient of her "envelope hugs" which brightened my day. I don't know how she managed to send them to so many people. I know this was a real ministry for her and a blessing for all who received them. She will be sorely missed by a multitude of people.

Serve, God bless you , Janelle and Suzanne during this difficult time knowing she is in the arms of Jesus in her heavenly home and is no longer in pain. Much love to you all.

Kathy Magnone Canfield.

Kathy Magnone Canfield - January 14, 2019 at 08:40 AM

FF

“ OUR PRAYERS AND DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN THE LOSS OF YOUR BELOVED WIFE AND MOTHER MR.CRAIN JANELLE SUZANNE I TREASURE THE MEMORIES OF YOUR PARENTS A LONGTIME FRIEND AND FORMER STUDENT OF WOODMONT HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1972 YOU DAD WAS MY ART TEACHER INVITED TO YOUR PARENTS HOME FOR DINNER THE DELICIOUS MEALS ATTENDED CHRUCH SERVICES WITH YOUR PARENTS A LONGTIME FRIENDSHIP. I THANK GOD FOR THE CRAIN FAMILY.GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU.LOVE FRED SLATER AND FAMILY.1603-15TH AVE.#8 KENOSHA 53140 KENOSHA,WISCON

FRED SLATER A LONGTIME FRIEND - January 14, 2019 at 01:13 AM

MB

“ Steve,
I'm so sorry to hear about Carol. I'm praying for you and your family during this sad time.



Martha Satterfield Brown - January 13, 2019 at 06:43 PM

CR

“ *Connie and Don Rogers purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Carol E. Crain.*



Connie and Don Rogers - January 13, 2019 at 02:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carol E. Crain.*



January 13, 2019 at 11:21 AM



“ *I meet Carol and Steve when I was 14 years old. They help to change the course of my life. I gave every poem and every song Carol ever wrote for me over the years. My life has been blessed and touched by her love and caring Spirit. I had the opportunity to sit with her for an hour at Hospice and tell her I loved her. I will cherish this forever. Heaven has gained an Angel and I will miss her dearly.*

Donna - January 13, 2019 at 11:11 AM



“ *Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and the family at this difficult time.*

Mike Tennis - January 12, 2019 at 10:34 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to you Steve at the passing of your wife. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Sue Campbell Fowler



Sue Campbell Fowler - January 12, 2019 at 04:28 PM