



## Mrs. Barbara Ann Turner-Griffith

November 4, 1936 - August 8, 2021

Cocoa, FL – Barbara Ann Turner Griffith, a retired Chase Manhattan Bank employee, died on Sunday, August 8, at Rockledge Regional Medical Center at the age of 84.

Born in Norfolk, VA to Andrew Turner and Idell Cornick, Barbara and her husband of 15 years, the late Rev. Rudolph K. Griffith, moved from Brooklyn, NY to Brevard County, FL in 1995. Barbara was a devoted member of the Glory of God Anglican Church, an active participant in bible study and prayer ministry programs as well as a generous community & civic volunteer. Mrs. Griffith was a lifelong learner who excelled as a student dating back to her days at Booker T. Washington High School in VA . Never one to be deterred by obstacles, Barbara remained an avid reader, music lover, and passionate gospel singer throughout a vibrant and happy life centered around God, country and family.

Survivors include her younger sisters, Thelma L. Holmes of Irvington, NJ (husband, Charles Holmes) and Diana P. Turner of Norfolk, VA, along with niece Joycelyn Harris (son, Alvin; daughter, Kim) and nephews Michael Turner (wife, Juanita; daughter, Michelle), Frederick Turner (daughter, Angelica), Steven Turner and Darryl Turner. Predeceasing Mrs. Griffith's passing were nephews Andrew and Douglas Holmes.

Funeral services and a celebration will be Tuesday August 17 at 11:00 a.m. at Glory of God Anglican Church (Indian River Dr., Cocoa, FL.) Burial will occur immediately afterwards at Riverview Memorial Gardens Cemetery on US-1 South in Cocoa.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

AUG 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Glory of God Anglican Church  
Cocoa, FL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Barbara Ann Turner-Griffith*

January 30, 2023 at 03:36 AM



“ *We thank everyone for sharing the loving memories and acts of kindness of our beloved Barbara'. Special thanks to Pastor, church, members, friends and prayer group for wonderful service and fellowship dinner. LOL*

**Joy Turner-Harris** - November 17, 2021 at 01:10 PM



“ *Love and blessings. Rest in peace , hope to see you meet in Jesus Christ Kingdom!  
Niece , Joy*

**Joy Turner-Harris** - November 13, 2021 at 03:10 PM



*One special memory I want to share about Aunt Barbara!  
When I was very young and visited her on vacation in New York. It was exciting to visit the Empire State Building, The Statue of Liberty and Coney Island! I also visit with her at her job at Chase Manhattan Bank. I learned about computers for the first time as a young teen during early 70's. We visit Harlem and had dinner out at a great Greek Steak restaurant.  
She taught me how to greet people, be polite use manners and interact around town! These are life long skills that I carried and forever grateful!  
You just have to have a sense of humor about all my hair being cut in New York!*

**Joy Turner Harris** - May 03, 2022 at 01:14 AM

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“ *In memory of my last living grandparent, Mrs Barbara Turner-Griffith. You were a wonderful person, giving the most of yourself to the very end. Nothing could ever dim your light. Thank you immensely for your love. - Sabrina Griffith*

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**Sabrina Griffith** - September 01, 2021 at 10:47 PM

“ IN MEMORY OF MY DEAR FRIEND: BARBARA  
TURNER\*GRIFFITH.

By Carol Buchert

*After praying about what I should write about my dear friend Barbara, the thought came to me to write an acrostic using her name. The following are my thoughts.*

*B is for her BEAUTY, both inward and outward. She was a Proverbs 31 woman. She loved those around her and she joyfully shared whatever she had with them. She was also BOLD and BRAVE in sharing her faith and opinions on issues of the day with others.*

*A is for the ACCEPTANCE of others where they were at, and she loved everyone she met. Her smile was infectious and she was a very positive person to be around.*

*R is for REVERENT, showing a deep and solemn respect for God and His Son Jesus Christ whom she loved and served with all her heart.*

*B is for the BEST hugs. You haven't been properly hugged if you've never been hugged by Barbara. When she hugged you, she held on to you until all the love from her heart poured into your heart and it warmed you on the inside. Her hugs were the best!*

*A is for AVAILABLE. Whenever an unexpected opportunity to serve arose, I would call her up and ask if she wanted to go. She'd ask me, "What time can you pick me up?" I will always cherish those memories of our times together.*

*R is for RELIABLE. When Barbara said she would do something, you could count on her 100% to do it. This included being at the prayer house in Merritt Island. When it was raining and she had to take the bus or being up late at night to lead the Bible-read-a-thon*

*that began at midnight.*

*A is for ACTIVIST. Barbara lived a life of service to her God first and to this country which she loved so much. She helped with Voter Registration Drives handed out Voter Guides, and worked at the Polls on election day. She worked on campaigns so godly candidates would be elected and encouraged her neighbors to go to the polls and vote.*

*Barbara prayed for family, friends and our country. She's been a dear friend, has believed in us, and encouraged us. She was a fighter and she taught us to stand our watch and to stand our ground. May we follow her example in our lives and may her memory live on in the lives of all she touched.*

*August 17th, 2021*

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**Carol Buchert** - August 25, 2021 at 10:53 PM

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“*Barbara was a wonderful patriot. She spent countless hours praying for our country and us, often throughout the night. Always positive and uplifting, a pleasure to be with. I will miss her spiritual guidance and light hearted laughter the most. There is no doubt in my mind that she is with Jesus, probably with many stars in her crown. She was a beautiful friend to all.*”



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**Cheryl Lankes** - August 17, 2021 at 01:42 AM

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*Hi there, to my Auntie Barbara she was sweet, stylish, and intelligent may God rest her soul. She was inspiring for me because she conquered many things involving her health her service for her church family and the Lord Jesus Christ. Hugs and kisses love you more!!! Rest in Heaven!!!*

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**Kimberly Banks** - November 07, 2024 at 07:08 PM