



Ms. Carolyn Rene Scales

December 6, 1948 - March 13, 2026

Carolyn "Rene" Scales was born on December 6, 1948, in Alexandria, Virginia, to the late Charles and Maureen Scales. She was the 3rd of eleven children. Rene helped raise her younger siblings while her mother worked. Rene enjoyed listening to music, watching westerns, soap operas, the Family Feud and cooking shows; she loved to cook and try different recipes. She was also a true Washington Redskins fan. Rene enjoyed life with her family; she loved cracking jokes at family gatherings. She doted on her grandchildren when she was with them and was affectionally known as "Ma-Ma."

Rene was educated in the Alexandria School system attending Parker Gray High School.

Rene joined Oakland Baptist Church at an early age under Reverend A. R. Preston and faithfully attended Senior bible study on Tuesdays until her health began to fail.

Rene worked at Circle Terrence Hospital, Holiday Inn in Crystal City and Snow White Cleaning Service. She also worked with Fairfax County School System at Edison High School for many years until she became ill.

Rene departed this life on Friday, March 13th, 2026, at INOVA Fairfax Hospital. She is preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Maureen Ruth

Scales; her brothers, Everett (Tim), Carlton and Michael Scales, and adopted brother, Theodore Chappell (Teddy). She leaves to cherish her memories, her daughter, LaTonya Scales-Nelson (Rodney), sons, Antonio (Dinetta), Torrance(Tiffany) and Darwyn (Destiny) Scales; her sisters, Yvette Monroe, Charlene, Paula & Paulette Scales; brothers, Alfonzo "Butch" Terrell (Callie), Darnell(Iyone), and Garland (Margaret) Scales; 15 grandchildren, 5 great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins; her Aunt Constance Yvonne Terrell, her Uncle Calvin (Frances) Terrell; devoted nieces Tanisha "Rodie" Scales-Scruggs and Kodie Peake; Special friends, Sheila Willis, Diane Jenkins, Sandre Curry and Margareta Carter.

Previous Events

Viewing

APR 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Oakland Baptist Church
3408 King Street
Alexandria, VA 22302

Funeral

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Live Streaming Service Link:

<http://client.tribucast.com/tcid/a26044375790306>

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Interment

APR 18.

Private Alexandria, VA

Tribute Wall



“ Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-Johnson Funeral Service, P.A. created a Webcast in memory of Ms. Carolyn Rene Scales



Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette- - April 10 at 10:10 PM

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“ Rene was always fun to be with, she knew how to always keep you laughing. She hung with my sister Mildred and even though I was a few years younger, I was with them. Not sure if i will be in VA for her home going service but she will be in my thoughts on the 18th. May she rest in peace in heaven.

Mary Street Turner Richards

Mary Street - April 01 at 07:34 PM

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My Deepest Condolences tothe Scales family I spent many days and time Rene hanging out at the house on Henry St.she will truly we had many good times together get your Rest now my friend and Sister always love you 🙏❤️ Weggie

Wendy Henderson - April 17 at 11:04 AM

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“ *My deepest condolences to my hubby and the entire Scales family. May Rene rest in peace and watch over you all from heaven. Her presence will be truly missed but her spirit will always remain with each one of you. You may have lost a soul but you have gained an Angel. Love you all*
~Tiffany



Tiffany Gray-Scales - March 31 at 09:34 PM