



*Floral Bearers*  
*Friends of the Family*

*Pall Bearers*  
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### *Acknowledgements*

The family of **Ruby Blue Watson** acknowledges with sincere appreciation and grateful hearts all expressions of sympathy extended to our family during our time of bereavement. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have given us comfort and strength as we prepare to say our final farewell. Thank you for your loyalty and support. May the Lord continue to bless each of you and keep you forever in His grace and mercy. ~The Family

### *To the Family*

It appears that nothing surpasses  
All your grief and despair  
But God is a mighty refuge  
And your loved one is in His care  
**Carrons Funeral Home Staff**



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## *Homegoing Celebration*



*Ruby*  
*Blue Watson*

*Sunrise: August 14, 1931 ~ Sunset: April 2, 2022*

*Thursday ~ April 14, 2022 ~ 11:00 A.M.*

**Rest Haven Cemetery**

Graveside Service  
1717 Bishop L.N. Forbes Street  
Wilson, North Carolina

**Pastor Carolyn J. Blue, Eulogist**  
**Carrons Funeral Home, Directing**



# The Order of Service

Processional  
**Family & Clergy**

Scripture Readings  
Old Testament (Ecclesiastes 3:1-11)  
**Ms. Shelley Barker-Anuligo, Daughter**

New Testament (Matthew 11:28-30)  
**Ms. Ernestine Blue, Sister**

Prayer of Comfort  
**Pastor Carolyn J. Blue**

Reflections/Tributes  
**Mr. Horace Barker, Jr., Son**  
**Miss Maya Anuligo, Granddaughter**

Acknowledgements & Obituary  
**(Read Silently)**

Musical Selection  
**“Goodbye” by Lionel Richie**

Eulogy  
**Pastor Carolyn J. Blue**  
**“It’s All In A Name”**  
**Ecclesiastes 7:1 & John 15:16**

Funeral Director’s Brief

Committal  
**Pastor Carolyn J. Blue**

Closing Prayer

Benediction

**Interment**

# The Obituary

**Ms. Ruby Blue Watson**, daughter of Josephus and Lula McNeil Blue, was born on August 14, 1931 in Wilson, North Carolina. Her earthly journey peacefully ended on Saturday, April 2, 2022 as she was called to her eternal rest. Along with her parents she was preceded in death by her brothers, Mr. David Blue, Mr. Roosevelt Blue and Dr. Donald Blue; and her sister, Ms. Janice White.

Ruby was reared in Wilson, NC in a loving home where she was raised in the Seventh Day Adventist Church. She received her education from the Wilson County Public Schools where she attended C. H. Darden High School. She earned her Bachelor’s Degree in English Literature from North Carolina Central College, Durham, NC. Ms. Watson also received her Master’s Degree in English from the University of Redlands in Redlands, CA. An educator at heart, she spent her life teaching English and French in public high schools for thirty years. She taught at San Geronio High School and San Bernardino High School in the San Bernardino School District.

Ruby was a dedicated member of 16th Street Seventh Day Adventist Church in San Bernardino, CA before moving back to Sanford, NC where she retired. She served as the pianist, choir director and Sabbath School Teacher. She was a member of the illustrious Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She loved life and spent her life reading and traveling the world. She was a fluent French scholar and enjoyed speaking it.

Precious and lasting memories are forever cherished by her loving and devoted family; her son, Horace Barker, Jr. and his daughter, Amelia of Manhattan, NY; her daughter, Shelley Barker-Anuligo of the home; granddaughter, Maya Anuligo of the home; sister, Ernestine Blue of Wilmington, NC; brother, Fred Blue of Mission, TX; sister-in-law, Debbie Blue of Mission, TX; nieces, Jacqueline Sadberry-Small (Sam) of Brooklyn, NY and Danelle Augustine (Joe) of Baton Rouge, LA; nephews, David Blue, Jr. (Shelia) of Jacksonville, NC, Eric Blue (Carolyn) of Leland, NC, Barry White of Teaneck, NJ, Dr. Michael Blue (Annabelle) of New Orleans, LA, David Blue of Marion, IL and Donald Blue, Jr. of Lafayette, LA.



## NANA

Nana loves to read. She's an intellectual. You could count on her to have a political theory. She taught me a lot. Many things still as useful today as they were then. She was and is always trying to teach and help me in any way possible. She's always considering me. Her love is so strong and so consistent. Never once did I have a doubt that she cared for me deeply. I've never felt that as strongly from anyone, but her. She was and is very kind and accommodating. She was never rough or aggressive in her teachings.

Nana's essence is like springtime; fresh, light, beautiful, soft and beaming. She would always play with me when I was little, and I preferred playing with her because she was the best at it. I remember we would always garden together, and her house had a lot of land with lots of different fruit trees. These are my favorite memories of spending time with her.

When we moved away she would always send me letters and advice. She enjoyed spoiling me as her little granddaughter. I have always appreciated her and felt very close and comfortable with her. Thank you Nana, for all of the love that you've given to me. I love you always.

Maya ❤️

