



Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee

July 16, 1952 - December 29, 2025

Condolences are being expressed to the family of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee, 73, who passed away peacefully at her home on Monday, December 29, 2025, at her home.

A funeral service and celebration of Gwen's life will be held at Noon on Tuesday, January 13, 2026, with visitation beginning at 11:30 a.m., at Union Baptist Church, 904 N Roxboro Street, Durham, NC 27701.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Union Baptist Church
904 N Roxboro St
Durham, NC 27701
(919) 688-1304

Celebration of Life

JAN 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RT

“ *Rest in Peace Old Friend! My Condolences to Sharnetta and the children!* 🙏❤️🌹

Robert Thomas - January 26 at 04:59 PM

NB

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Gwen at PPD and truly valued our time together. She consistently demonstrated high integrity and expected the same from those around her. She often shared the great joy she found in volunteering with the youth at her church.*

Gwen was a positive presence in the office and was well-known by everyone. She will be deeply missed. My condolences to her family and friends.

Nancy Bright - January 13 at 03:42 PM

TJ

“ *Ms. Gwen was one of those people whose kindness quietly touched everyone around her. During COVID, when the office was empty, she made it a point to keep everyone's plants alive — a small act that said so much about how deeply she cared for others, even when no one was watching.*

Before she retired, I always loved sitting with her when I worked in the office. She had a calming presence, a gentle warmth, and a way of making the day feel a little lighter. She will be remembered not just for what she did, but for the care, grace, and compassion she showed so naturally.

Teresa Johnson - January 13 at 02:44 PM

JR

“ Ms. Gwen, I remember how you always loved a rainy day. Any time I would try to say something about it being gloomy or gray or 'bad weather', you would smile and say, "No, I love a rainy day. It's so peaceful." I think about that often, and I will think about you on the next rainy day.

Jason Roebuck - January 13 at 02:29 PM

AE

“ I'm so thankful to have known Ms. Gwen. I'll miss her wisdom and her wonderful sense of humor. To her family, may joyful memories soon ease the sadness in your hearts.



Alethea Easterling - January 13 at 01:50 PM

AM

“ Alma P Macon lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee



Alma P Macon - January 13 at 12:55 PM

LG

“ Ms Gwen was truly a sweetheart! I enjoyed working with her and her kindness and gentle spirit is what I remember most. My deepest condolences to her entire family.

La'Vern (Browne) George - January 13 at 12:47 PM

DG

“ Oh Ms. Gwen. I sure will miss you. It was my honor to work with you. A true blessing from God. A faithful lady who went to be with her Maker. The world has lost a very good person. Rest in peace. My deepest condolences to the family.



DGT - January 13 at 11:53 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee.



January 13 at 10:44 AM

MK

“ In memory of Gwen Lee. From Sandra Murphy and daughter Michelle Ky



Michelle Ky - January 13 at 10:38 AM

MK

“ My Deepest Condolences to the Family. Gwen was a Sweet Lady, A Friend and always in our family. 💜



Myra Kithcart - January 13 at 10:38 AM

TB

My sincerest condolences to the family. I only have the most pleasant memories from working with Ms. Gwen for many years at PPD. She was such a kind person and dedicated co-worker. May she now get the peaceful rest that she so deserves. ❤️❤️

Tangela Battle - January 13 at 11:56 AM

WK

“ My Sincere Condolences and Prayers of Comfort to the Family and Friends of Ms. Qwen . Rest Peacefully.

william King - January 12 at 10:36 PM

GS

“ My sincere condolences to Gwen's family. Gwen was such a blessing, always ready and willing to help in any way she could. She will be truly missed.

Glenda Stone - January 12 at 09:41 PM

MI

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I remember Ms. Gwen when I was a little girl growing up on Liberty Street. My three great aunts were neighbors and friends with her. May she rest in peace 🙏❤️



Michelle - January 12 at 07:09 PM

VS

“Gwen will be and already is missed. Gwen and I sat together during Sunday morning worship services for approximately 15 years. We called each other pew mates. She befriended my family and I. I'll miss our discussions about the new restaurants she had experienced. She was always encouraging me to volunteer. Our last volunteer conversation was about the shelter for people who are less fortunate. My deepest condolences to her family and friends.



Veronica Smith-Borwn - January 12 at 06:37 PM

NM

“Ms. Gwen was truly an amazing woman of God—someone who never met a stranger and welcomed my family and me under her wing with so much love. Her kindness and warmth will never be forgotten.



Nickie Melton - January 12 at 04:21 PM

GF

“Gale and Adrean Fairley purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee.



Gale and Adrean Fairley - January 12 at 10:46 AM

EK

“ I worked with Gwen for almost twenty years. She was one of the nicest and more principled people you could ever meet. She was always quick to share a timely word of advice. She is definitely gone too soon and I will miss our friendship. My condolences to the family.

Ervin Keaton - January 11 at 08:21 PM

RJ

“ Two Members of Betty Jones' family: I had the privilege of meeting Gwen during a gathering on Easter Sunday, 2024. It was our first time meeting each other, but I felt as if I was with a life-long friend. Her warm spirit will be forever remembered, and she will be missed (Penny). Likewise, I met Gwen with my Sister Betty on this one occasion: Gwen treated us like she knew us as family; and you know personal relations ought to be just like that. She even offered me some advice on my pie baking, which I used later. Our sincere condolences are extended to her family in this major loss, and may God extend His eternal peace to her family in this hour. (Ralph)



Ralph Jones - January 11 at 06:43 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee.



January 10 at 08:02 AM

CW

“ I met Ms. Gwen while working at PPD years ago. She was like my work mom. I really enjoyed our lunch chats and good times! She was a dependable and supportive person and always kept in touch over the years. I send my condolences to the family. Rest in peace Ms. Gwen.

Carisa Wheeler - January 10 at 07:45 AM

BJ

“ I extend my heartfelt condolences and prayers to Sharnetta and her family during this difficult time. I cherish many fond memories of Gwen, especially her elegance when wearing hats. She will be deeply missed; Gwen was an extraordinary individual and a devoted Christian. May she rest in peace.

Betty Jones - January 10 at 06:29 AM

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Betty Jones, Durham - January 10 at 06:29 AM

VS

“ Vivian Simmons lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee



Vivian Simmons - January 09 at 10:48 PM

BT

“ *Belinda Turne lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee*



Belinda Turne - January 09 at 04:21 PM

E1

“ *Eastman High School Class of 1970 purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee.*



Eastman High School Class of 1970 - January 09 at 04:01 PM

JF

“ *Gwen was such a beautiful person. She would help in anyway she could. She enjoyed traveling and if you traveled with her, she always tried to make sure everyone was ok. RIP my friend Jackie Faison-Grantham*



Jackie Faison-Grantham - January 09 at 02:02 PM

RN

“ I met Gwen when we worked together at Cooper Tools in Apex, N.C. She was such a wonderful lady and had such a beautiful spirit. It was so good to see and spend time with her at my sister's annual Christmas breakfast in 2023. I had not seen her in years. Rest well my friend, Gwen. To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.



Roberta Burton Norris - January 09 at 12:37 PM

WB

“ It was such a pleasure to have known Gwen. She was truly an awesome Woman of God. Always offering a helpful hand to anyone in need. She will be truly missed. Prayers are going out for the family.
Willa Bonner

Willa Bonner - January 09 at 11:29 AM

SS

“ SANDRA SPRUILL lit a candle in memory of Ms. Gwendolyn "Gwen" Lee



SANDRA SPRUILL - January 08 at 10:27 PM

MJ

My prayer is for comfort to the family. I truly enjoyed traveling with Gwen on several trips.

Millie Johnson - January 09 at 10:54 AM

JA

Sending Great Big Hugs and Lots of Love to Shar and the Boys!!! Your Mother is with you always!!! ❤️ 🙏 🙄

Jazzy - January 11 at 05:38 PM

PG

Ms. Gwen is one person that I feel comfort in the knowledge that she is with the Lord. The world has lost such a kind hearted woman. RIP Ms. Gwen.

Pam Gentry - January 14 at 08:53 AM