



Darnell H. McDowney

December 22, 1946 - August 23, 2025

It is with deep sorrow and heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Darnell H. McDowney, who peacefully departed this life on August 23, 2025, at the age of 78. Born on December 22, 1946, in Chesterfield, South Carolina, Darnell's life was one marked by compassion, dedication, and an unyielding spirit of kindness.

The family invites friends to join them in honoring Darnell's memory at a viewing on September 12, 2025, at 9:00 AM at Central Baptist Church of Camp Springs, located at 5600 Old Branch Ave, Camp Springs, MD 20748. A funeral service will follow at 11:00 AM. After the service, Darnell will be laid to rest at the Lomax-McDowney Family Cemetery in Virginia.

Darnell will be lovingly remembered not only for her exceptional career but also for the warmth she brought to every life she touched. Her kindness, grace, and generosity will be dearly missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH OF CAMP SPRINGS
5600 Old Branch Ave
Camp Springs, MD 20748

Funeral Service

SEP 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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5600 Old Branch Ave
Camp Springs, MD 20748

Interment

SEP 12 (ET)

Lomax McDowney Cemetery
14435 Chastine Dr
King George, VA 22485

Tribute Wall

SC

“ *Sandra, Keith & Cade purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Darnell H. McDowney.*



Sandra, Keith & Cade - September 11, 2025 at 02:21 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Darnell H. McDowney.*



September 11, 2025 at 11:39 AM

SH

“ *You have always accepted us as family since the marriage of Steve and Sheila. You always had a beautiful smile and wore the title "Pretty Lady" well. Love you so much Rest in God . Holmes Family!*



Sheila Head - September 09, 2025 at 11:08 AM

AB

Forever in our hearts! Love Aunt Mag, cousin Anna and all the family from Philly, New Jersey and Brooklyn New York

Anna Bethea - September 12, 2025 at 10:35 AM

TF

“ *The Holmes Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Darnell H. McDowney.*



The Holmes Family - September 09, 2025 at 10:52 AM

TF

“ *The Holmes Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Darnell H. McDowney.*

The Holmes Family - September 09, 2025 at 10:52 AM

KE

“ *I was saddened to hear of the passing of such a fine lady as Darnell. I was so happy to see her last August and enjoy the family fish fry with her as I waited for my cup of "lemonade".*

I am praying for you to get through this time with the peace that comes from knowledge that God loves you and that He will take care of you.

With heartfelt sympathy! Kookie (McDowney-Epps Family)

"She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs without fear of the future". (Proverbs 31:25)

Karen Epps-Johnson - September 05, 2025 at 12:12 PM

ET

“ *Jimmie and the entire family (Head) I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your love one. Sending my condolences to the family.*

Elizabeth Tate - September 04, 2025 at 08:37 PM

JH

“ You always had a beautiful smile and loving spirit just like grandma. I love you, get your rest and keep shining that beautiful smile.

Your nephew, Jeff Head



Jeff Head - September 04, 2025 at 04:48 PM



“ Mama Darnell opened up her home, her heart to me and my family back in 1993 when I was invited to their home for the annual fish fry. I will always remember my Capricorn sister with her beautiful smile and always a big hug when I walked through the door. I am one of many of adopted children that she has accepted into her heart over the years. I will miss you, mama. Rest to in peace.

Angela Hammond - September 03, 2025 at 09:55 AM