



Carol Ann Michel

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Carol Ann Frances Michel, 85, of Washington D.C., sadly passed away on January 23, 2026. Carol was born on January 21, 1941, to Vernon Joseph Michel Sr. and Edvige Marie Leary-Michel in New Orleans, Louisiana. Carol was the fifth of twelve children. She grew up in Washington, D.C., alongside her mother and siblings. Carol lived and worked in the District, becoming a private early childhood educator, caring for and teaching many young children.

Alongside caring for and educating children, Carol would have adventures in the great outdoors. She enjoyed activities like boating, fishing, race car driving, and motorcycle riding all throughout Washington, D.C. and surrounding cities. Carol also engaged in academic and creative activities up until older age, she enthused in pastimes such as crossword puzzles, writing poetry, reading, watching jeopardy and crime mystery shows, and fashion.

Carol had a tenacious personality, sharing her comedic wit and sarcasm with those she encountered, being brutally honest in the best way. Her humor was accompanied by her charm and care for everyone. She had a heart for children and young people, giving to organizations such as St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, especially during the Christmas holiday, her favorite time of the year. Carol would make sure there was a gift under the tree for any child that crossed her path. Children would gawk and awe at her splendid Christmas village displays and Nativity displays and her glamorously decorated trees. Even her long-time companion, Snoopy the dog, would have gifts and a Christmas plate.

Carol has reunited with her late son, Xavier Gomez. She is survived by her other three children, Carlos Gomez, Emanuel Gomez, and Tanya Hendricks, her seven grandchildren, Xavier (Tabriz) Gomez, Terry Brown, Jade Jimenez, Christian Gomez, Gabrielle Hendricks, Gabriel Gomez, and Christina Gomez, her six great grandchildren, Ashley Brown, Alexander Brown, Isabella Gomez, Faith Gomez, Julia Jimenez, and Adonis Gomez, and her younger siblings Gaylord Michel, Marian (Terry) Michel, Donald Grimes, and Madeline Grimes. Carol's spirit lives on in them, with



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many of her descendants being involved in artistry, academia, and caregiving. She will be truly missed and remembered.



Events

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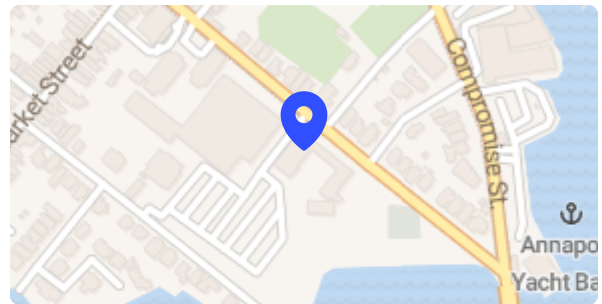
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Funeral Mass

Saturday, February 14, 2026

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM ET

St. Mary's Catholic Church
109 Duke of Gloucester St., Annapolis MD 21401

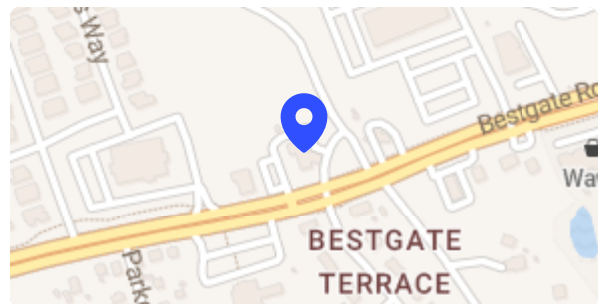


Burial

Saturday, February 14, 2026

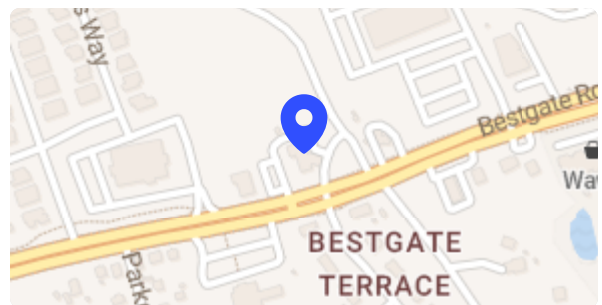
10:30 AM ET

Bestgate Memorial Park
814 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis MD 21401



Cemetery Details

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Tarra Fox lit a candle in honor of Carol.

As many are preparing to say goodbye and celebrate your life I'm taking the time to reflect on our time together. Not many people can say their Aunt/God-Mother lived directly in the apartment upstairs from their family. It's pretty cool to be able to walk a few short steps and hang out with your Aunt and cousins that were more like siblings than cousins. My Aunt Carol was truly funny and could always find the humor in almost anything and any situation. On top of being hilarious she was also loving and never made me feel like an outsider or I had to compete for her approval or love. If I called and told her I didn't have something she would make away to get me what I needed no questions asked. She took her God-Mother title very serious! Fun Fact, my Aunt introduced my Mom to my Dad back in the day. Given it's Black History Month another fact was my Mother & Aunt were volunteers during the 1963 March on Washington. Aunt Carol you've left me with so many beautiful and wonderful moments and memories. I will never forget all them wild and crazy stories about you and my Mom on y'all "Thelma and Louise" adventures!! Thank you Tanya and your family for all that you've done over the years to enrich Aunt Carol's time here on earth. Love you Aunt Carol and I'm going to truly miss you!!! Love Always Tarra



February 14 at 4:32 AM



Tarra Fox posted:

My Auntie/God-Mother was loving, caring, honest, and funny person. Having an Aunt she was also your God-Mother was amazing! It's like having two moms but one is cool and let you get away with stuff and gets you out of trouble. LOL! I will always appreciate the love she poured into me and her wisdom. Thank you Tanya and your family for the time, love and care you've given over the years. Although my heart hurts I'm just glad Auntie isn't in pain. Love You Always, Tarra

February 14 at 12:57 AM



Tanya Hendricks shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I shared an old photograph of my mother with my daughter, and she chose to cut her hair in the same style to honor her grandmother. It truly touched my heart in the most beautiful way.



February 13 at 4:07 AM



Gloria & Joe Johnson sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Michel family.



February 9 at 4:24 PM



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Gabrielle Hendricks shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



January 30 at 8:39 PM



Angel Gomez posted:

Mom...May the breath of the wind bring you peace among the heaven and God embrace comfort your heart and tranquility, until we meet again remember I love you always. Angel

February 7 at 11:25 AM



Cynthia Odoms-Cheatham lit a candle in honor of Carol.

Tanya, I'm sorry for the loss of your mother. Her love shows in the person you are. May God continue to give you peace, comfort and superior strength as you navigate through this painful time. God Bless! Love & Friendship Always Cynthia O-Cheatham



February 5 at 9:37 PM



Cynthia Odoms-Cheatham sent a virtual gift in honor of Carol.

It was delightful hearing my colleague and dear friend talk about her beloved mother with fond memories and love.



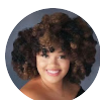
February 5 at 9:34 PM



Cynthia O. planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Carol.



February 5 at 9:07 PM



Christina Gomez shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mis dos Angeles! ❤️👍



February 3 at 1:29 PM



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Christina Gomez shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

You were making a joke because you said I looked crazy in the camera! 🤪❤️



February 3 at 1:28 PM



Tanya H. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Carol.



February 2 at 8:08 AM



Collette Vernon lit a candle in honor of Carol.

I came in contact with Ms Carol when she was transferred to my unit. It was a pleasant appearance although like Tanya says she speaks her mind without hesitation. Because of that I became close to her understanding her preferences made her more comfortable and welcoming. She became the life of the party on the unit. Enjoyed activities and hanging with her favorite friends whom she got connected to. I deeply missed her when she had to transitioned to another facility. No more talks while I worked along the hallway and had her company giving me words of wisdom and encouragement and been funny 🤪. Her passing was unexpected although I know it's a road for us all. Her sweet soul is resting comfortable in the arms of Jesus. I know she has joined the host of angels watching over her love one. Praying Strength and Peace for Tanya and family. Take heart ❤️.



February 1 at 8:20 PM



From The Bunges sent an Arrive in Style to the Michel family.



February 1 at 11:27 AM



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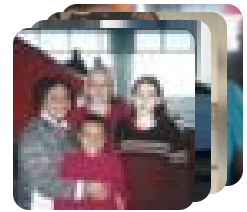
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My mom was a woman who spoke her mind, and she would want her honesty remembered and appreciated. My mom would give you her last—she was truly selfless in every sense of the word. She deeply admired the children she taught throughout the years and took pride in watching many of them grow into adulthood. Above all, she was especially proud of her grandchildren. She was a loyal and caring friend to many, touching countless lives with her wisdom, kindness, and unwavering love. Though she is no longer with us physically, her spirit and legacy live on in the hearts of all who knew her. I will forever cherish the memories we shared, the lessons she taught me, and the laughter that filled our time together. Gone but never forgotten—always loved, always missed. 💙 Tanya Hendricks
Daughter of Carol Ann Michel



January 30 at 8:39 PM

G

Gabrielle Hendricks lit a candle in honor of Carol.

Dear grandma, it's heart breaking that you're gone, but I know that you're a saint now and are at peace. Memories from being with you since I was in pre-school, staying with you every afternoon and watching our favorite soap dramas together, taking bus trips down to the museums, walking to "Toys are me", growing our Tinker Bell plant, and putting up the Christmas villages, warm my heart when thinking about you. Thank you for being my second mom and the world's best grandma. I will do my best to make you proud by giving back to others and teaching them as you taught me. I love you and will see you in the next life ❤️🌹



January 31 at 4:05 PM



Christina Gomez lit a candle in honor of Carol.

Granny, calling you on a Saturday morning would be the highlight of my week. Your humor will live on in your girls! -your youngest baby.



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Carol by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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