

CARLA RAE RUTLEDGE MCINTYRE

December 16, 1952 – April 26, 2026

Carla was born in Jefferson City, Tennessee, the first child of Gardner Hoyt Rutledge and Dorothy Louise Fly Rutledge. Growing up as the daughter of a Baptist preacher, she and her three brothers lived in Charlotte, Durham, High Point and Roxboro, where she graduated from Person Senior High School in 1971. Carla graduated from Baptist Hospital School of Nursing in 1974 and began her career as a Registered Nurse at Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, where she worked in the neonatal intensive care unit for several years. Carla later became a public health nurse in Montgomery County, where she met and fell in love with Roger McIntyre.

Carla and Roger married on July 13, 1990, and began their adventure together. Carla continued in her career as a nurse and became Mom and Grandmother to Roger's three grown children and a growing family of grandchildren. For a time, they lived in Alaska, then came back to Mt. Gilead and started a home health care business which served the community for several years.

Carla's life was exemplified by her strong Christian faith and service to all who surrounded her. She had the heart of a missionary and made two trips to Tanzania where she joined a



fellow missionary nurse giving medical care to rural Africans. She was always available to help anyone she could, and her family depended on her for sound medical wisdom when called upon for advice. Carla attended church regularly until her health would not allow it, participating as a member of the choir; and, for a time, she was choir director at Stoney Fork Baptist Church in Mt. Gilead. Known for her beautiful singing voice, Carla was often asked to sing at funerals for family members.

Carla is survived by her husband, Roger McIntyre; daughters, Ann McIntyre Locklear (husband Randy) and Robin Lynn McIntyre; son, Roger Joe McIntyre II; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Surviving also are her brothers, Dean Rutledge (wife Joan), Keith Rutledge and Kevin Rutledge (wife Jan). She will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by all who knew her.

A celebration of her life will be held May 16, 2 p.m., Stoney Fork Baptist Church in Mt. Gilead.