

Carmen O’Quinn Wilson

In Loving Memory of Carmen O’Quinn Wilson

Carmen O’Quinn Wilson born July 20, 1949 passed away peacefully on October 20, 2026, at Hospice of West Alabama.

Carmen was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Malon Wilson, and her parents, Jack and Dorothy O’Quinn. She is survived by her siblings, Tina O’Quinn Boyd (the late Billy Boyd), Leigh O’Quinn (Deborah) and her nephews, Nicholas Boyd (Marlene), Daniel Boyd (Brynn) and Derek O’Quinn (Lindsay) as well as seven great nieces and nephews.

Carmen was a woman of remarkable intelligence, a loving heart, and an unwavering dedication to the people she cared about. She spent many years teaching mathematics, pouring her heart and soul into her students and challenging them to reach their fullest potential. Those who knew her would tell you there wasn’t a math problem she couldn’t solve.

Carmen taught much more than mathematics. She believed in hard work, discipline, perseverance, and using the mind God had given you to its fullest potential. She saw potential in her students, sometimes long before they could see it in themselves, and she wasn’t about to let them settle for anything less than their best.

Her dedication to teaching extended well beyond the classroom, especially when it came to her nephews.

Her nephew, Nicholas “Nick” Boyd, fondly remembers spending countless hours sitting at her dining room table, working through math problems under her patient instruction. Nick also had the unique experience of having Aunt Carmen as his algebra teacher for two years in high school.

Looking back, Nick is incredibly grateful for those lessons. Carmen wasn’t simply teaching him algebra. She was teaching him the value of hard work, determination, and believing in what he was capable of accomplishing.

And despite those demanding days in the classroom, Aunt Carmen always made sure Nick knew he was her favorite nephew. She would often lean over and whisper that little secret

in his ear. Of course, that's a title Nick still proudly claims to this day! (Guess who wrote this.)

Beyond the classroom, Carmen was a devoted and loving wife to her beloved Malon. The two shared a beautiful life together, filled with love, companionship, traveling, camping, a great love for the smoky mountains and the beach as well as a shared passion for nascar and Alabama football.

To her nephews, Carmen was so much more than an aunt. She was a teacher, an encourager, a source of wisdom, and someone who loved them wholeheartedly. Her love was evident not only in her words but also in the time, patience, and attention she gave so generously.

Carmen loved the Lord, and her family finds comfort in the hope and promise of eternal life through Jesus Christ. While saying goodbye is never easy, there is peace in knowing that she is restored and resting in the presence of her Savior.

Carmen's legacy reaches far beyond her family. It lives on in the many friends and the students she taught, the minds she challenged, and the people she inspired to believe they were capable of more.

She will be remembered for her intelligence, her patience, her determination, her devotion to her husband, her Christian faith, and above all, her tremendous love for her family.

We will miss her dearly, but we will always be grateful for the gift of having her in our lives. The difference she made in our lives and the love she gave so freely will remain with us forever.

We love you Carmen, and we'll miss you more than words can say.

A celebration of life service will be held Monday, October 26 at Northport Baptist Church in the chapel. Visitation will precede the 4:00 p.m. service at 3:15 p.m.