



Frances Godwin Carnley

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Frances Godwin Carnley, 94, of Lakeland, FL, died peacefully at home with family by her side on August 8, 2025.

She was born and raised in Bratt, FL to James Thomas and Nancy Jane Hulion Godwin and was the youngest of nine siblings. Frances attended Ernest Ward High school before attending Christ Faith Mission in Saugus, CA. There she met and married the love of her life, Jack M. Carnley. They began a lifelong journey of ministry in 1953 that included attending Southeastern University, and pastoring three churches in Virginia (Ewing, Valleyview, and St. Paul Assembly of God). Frances loved family and people and served faithfully in the churches and district where her husband pastored.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents, Jack, her husband of 56 years, daughter Karen Patrick, grandson Christian Patrick, sisters Ola Peebles, Lillie Stanley, Lizzie Edwards, Claudia Blackmon, and Nellie Trog; brothers Leslie, Wesley, and David Godwin and nephew who was raised as a brother, Lee Godwin. She is survived by her daughter Jackie Thomas and husband Gilbert, her son James Carnley, grandsons Gilbert and wife Andrea Thomas, Jackson and wife Suzie Thomas, Thad Patrick, granddaughter, Keri Bentley, great grandchildren, Chloe, Conner, Mia, Oliver, and Ava.

Viewing will be at the Jay Funeral Chapel, on Thursday 8/14, 10:00 - 11:00am, with services to begin at 11:00. Rev. Jeff Carico will be officiating. Interment will follow at Ebenezer Cemetery.

Special thanks to Trinity Home Services and Vitas for the compassionate and loving care given. You are angels from above and have become family.



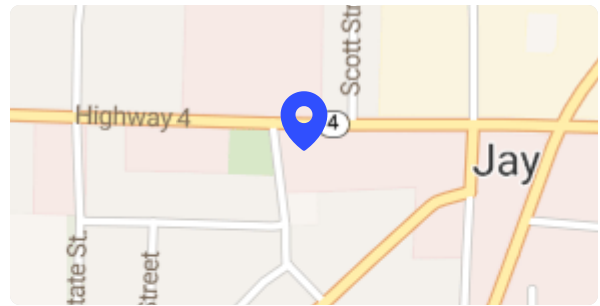
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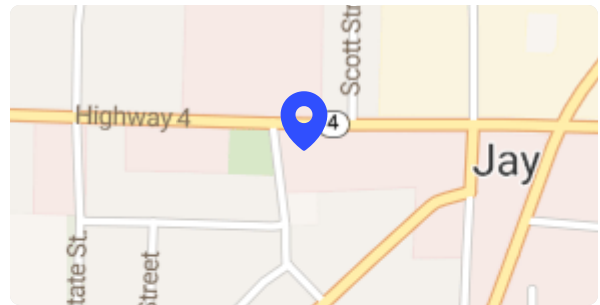
Visitation

- Thursday**, August 14, 2025
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
- Jay Funeral Home**
3853 Florida 4, Jay FL 32565



Funeral Service

- Thursday**, August 14, 2025
- 11:00 AM CT
- Jay Funeral Home**
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Cemetery Details

- Ebenezer Cemetery**
Jay FL



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Brenda Kiser posted:

Jackie, James and Family, Your mother was a very special friend to my mother Nell Woods and our oldest sister Barbara. Our parents and Barb were members at St. Paul Assembly of God. My husband and I are friends and are still in contact with Pastor Jeff Carico here in Bristol. We are sad to hear of Mrs. Carley's passing. She was a beautiful woman inside and out. I feel certain Mom and Barb are among the many welcoming her in Heaven. Keeping you close in our thoughts and prayers. Brenda Woods Kiser and the Woods Family

August 11 at 12:58 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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