



## Ms. Tory Mayta Banks

November 23, 1960 - January 14, 2025

Tory Mayta Banks was born on November 23, 1960, to the late George Banks and the late Emma Gooby, in Boston, Massachusetts. On January 14, 2025, she peacefully transitioned, leaving behind a legacy of love, dedication, and resilience that will continue to inspire all who knew her.

Tory grew up in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania with her loving older brother Tracey. She developed a love for the Arts, Ballet, and Theater in her parents home as her father and step-mother, Loretta Banks, loved the music. Big Band Jazz and Classical music could continuously be heard in their home. She also had a voracious appetite for learning and reading at an early age. While other kids were playing outside, she could often be found with her bestie Stacey on the front steps seeing who could read the most Harlequin Romance novels in one day! By middle school, Tory was learning and speaking French and had moved on to larger and more complex novels like *Beyond The Mayflower* and *The Iliad* and *The Odyssey*. She dreamed of visiting many of the places in her readings and as an adult she was blessed to visit and travel to some of the world's greatest Libraries and Art Museums in New York, Paris, and London. She also had a passion for history and culture and visited some of the birthplaces of the great ancient civilizations in South America, Egypt, and other parts of Africa. Tory was also a great lover of art, visual as well as performing arts. She enjoyed the theater and collected a

plethora of art pieces from many different artists known around the world.

Tory was known for her unwavering commitment to her small circle of family and friends. She loved to laugh and she touched the lives of many in her community with her kindness, wisdom, and generosity. Whether it was through her professional endeavors or personal relationships, Tory always strived to lead a life of excellence and make a positive impact on the world.

Tory was well educated in the Philadelphia School System. She graduated from the premier academic all-girls high school in the city, called The Philadelphia High School for Girls in 1978. During her academic journey, Tory demonstrated exceptional talent and a relentless pursuit for excellence. These traits would define her future pursuits earning a Bachelor of Science degree from Drexel University, a Master of Science degree in Nursing from Hahnemann University, and National Board Certification as a Family Nurse Practitioner from Southern University.

Tory has a passion for helping people, especially children. She embarked on a remarkable career in Nursing, first as a Labor and Delivery Nurse at Emory Healthcare System, and a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner for Cumberland Pediatrics. There she was a shining light to her team of professionals, a source of comfort and care for countless families, a highly respected clinician to her colleagues and a dear friend to all who knew her.

Beyond her professional success, Tory was known for her unshakable faith. Her days were filled with prayer and gratefulness, embodying a deep and unwavering trust in God. She accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior as a

young woman in Philadelphia and spent many of her early years in Norcross, GA worshiping and serving the Lord at Victory World Church. She was deeply committed to giving back to the community and dedicated countless volunteer hours to causes close to her heart like The Fox Theater and The High Museum of Art. She also volunteered with adult literacy programs, helping adults learn to read. She consistently donated to numerous children's charities and The American Cancer Society. Her efforts left a lasting legacy and inspired others to follow in her footsteps.

Tory was preceded in death by her loving brother Tracey Banks, her cherished mother Emma Gooby, and her loving parents, George and Loretta Banks. Her legacy will be cherished by her Aunt Lillian Terrell, her Best Friends until the end, Stacey Miller, Marcia Bowens, and Carol Wilson, her cousins Joseph Gooby and Marvin Burton Cornish Jr, and a host of other relatives and friends.

### A Legacy of Love

Our loved one, Tory Mayta Banks, will forever remain in our hearts as a woman of faith, grace, and love. "Very Demure, Very Mindful". Her extraordinary life serves as a beacon of light and a reminder of the power of prayer, resilience, and unconditional love. She will be deeply missed but never forgotten.

"What we have once enjoyed, we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes part of us." (Heller Keller). Tory, you fought your battle long and hard, always giving it your best without complaint. Rest now. Rest In Perfect Peace in Paradise Tory. Until we meet again...

# Previous Events

## Memorial Celebration of Life

JAN 25. 9:00 AM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-Rockdale  
1999 Hwy. 138 SE  
Conyers, GA 30013

## In lieu of flowers, please donate to:

JAN 25 (ET)

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*American Cancer Society.*

## Reception

JAN 25 (ET)

Loves & Hugs Christian Tabernacle  
1701 Klondike Road Southwest  
Conyers, GA 30094-5109

# Tribute Wall



“ *She took great care of my four kids. She was always full of wisdom and had a joyful spirit. She will be greatly missed! Sending my condolences to her family and friends. Job well done, Ms. Banks.*

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**La Fields** - April 18, 2025 at 11:26 AM

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“ *My condolences goes out to the family and friends. I'm very saddened that a lot of her patients families weren't made aware of her passing. We really loved Tory she was a great person. She got a chance to take care of all 5 of my children. You will forever be remembered in our hearts.*

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**Alicia Mitchell** - April 09, 2025 at 03:14 PM

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“ *Heather Williams-Bodden and Family purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Ms. Tory Mayta Banks.*



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**Heather Williams-Bodden and Family** - January 20, 2025 at 08:59 AM

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“ *Heather Williams-Bodden and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Tory Mayta Banks.*

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**Heather Williams-Bodden and Family** - January 20, 2025 at 08:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Tory Mayta Banks.

January 18, 2025 at 09:44 PM



“ When I tell you, I love this lady and was happy to find a great genuine doctor for my twins, which is rare nowadays, When I heard the news, I was devastated, she was an all around amazing woman, and she will be missed dearly!!

**Tami Karim** - January 18, 2025 at 09:40 PM



“ Condolences to the family and friends. Sending condolences from Theta Chapter, CHI ETA Phi sorority Incorporated. GHS #209

**Carlena Saunders** - January 18, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ Cousin, Big Sister, confidant, counselor, fighter, truth teller. My family and I will miss you so much. I can't stop hearing your voice "alright now" (lol). Rest in peace.

**Skip Gooby** - January 17, 2025 at 11:43 AM

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“ I can't even form the thought, much less the words to say goodbye to you. My first friend Tory Banks. My twin flame. My Sister-Friend. From the 8400 block of Michener all the way to Atlanta GA. I was 6 and you were 10. We bonded over our love for reading and books that took us as little girls to many of the places we would travel to as adults. How do I say goodbye to 55 years of your friendship, love, and guidance Big Sis. Tell me how because I have lost my way now. You were the top of my Big 3 and I will carry you in my heart forever. I Love You Tory. Rest in Paradise

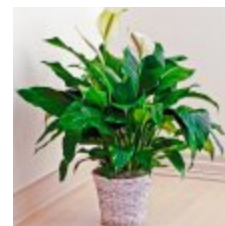


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Stacey Miller - January 17, 2025 at 02:26 AM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Ms. Tory Mayta Banks.



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January 16, 2025 at 01:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Tory Mayta Banks.

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“ Calvin B. purchased the Cremation Wreath - Lavender and White for the family of Ms. Tory Mayta Banks.



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**Calvin B.** - January 16, 2025 at 10:53 AM