



Fay Archer Heath

August 14, 1945 - March 18, 2025

Fay LeVern Archer Heath (79), the eldest daughter of the late Linwood Rogers Archer and Sadie Pauline Weaver Archer, transitioned from labor to reward on Tuesday, March 18, 2025. She was born in Winton, North Carolina, where she joined First Baptist Church Winton at a young age. A native of Hertford County, she received her formal education in the public school system, graduating from C.S. Brown High School in 1963. She furthered her studies at North Carolina College at Durham, now North Carolina Central University, where she received her bachelor's degree in 1967.

Fay married William Earl Heath in 1971. She pursued a career as an educator in the Lenoir County Public School System, teaching health and physical education and serving as a beloved cheerleader coach. After many years of shaping young lives, Fay retired in 2002. A community-oriented woman, she was a member of the Kinston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, for 51 years, during which she was recognized as a Delta D.E.A.R.S. (Dedicated- Energetic- Active- Respected- Soror).

Left to cherish loving memories are her children Ryan Scott Heath of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Ashley Heath Capel (Jason) of Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania; her three grandsons, Myles, Jayce, and Jeffrey Cole, whom she adored; her sister Maggie Archer Anthony (Donald Ray); her brothers Horace Eugene Archer (Paula) of Essex Junction, Vermont, and

Roger Archer of Yorktown, Virginia; and a host of other sisters-in-law, cousins, nieces, nephews, sorors, and lifelong friends.

Cemetery Details

First Baptist Church Cemetery

NC Hwy 45
Winton, NC 27986

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Reynolds Funeral Home Chapel
321 North Maple St
Ahoskie, NC 27910

Funeral

MAR 23. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Winton
US Hwy 158
Winton, NC 27986

Tribute Wall

D(

“ One of the truly “all time greatest” teachers to ever teach at a Kinston High SCHOOL! Always smiling, always looking immaculate and very kind! I and a whole lot others admired her! So classy...My sincerest sympathy to her family.

Dimitri Belmont, LTC US Army (Ret) - March 23, 2025 at 07:33 PM

GR

From Gloria Weaver Reid Deepest Sympathy to the Archer family. Fay was a friend and classmate from a wonderful family.

Gloria W. Reid - March 25, 2025 at 08:42 AM

MR

Faye and I lived on the same hall one year. Constance Sweet was one of her roommates. I had contacted Faye a few years ago; asked her to visit me when in my hometown where her daughter lives. Condolences to her family.

Maxine Robinson - March 25, 2025 at 09:53 AM

LP

I was one of her less athletic students 1969-1970. She was the best PE teacher that taught me. I used to see her frequently @ the grocery store in Kinston. I do not think I have seen her since Mr. Heath died. She was a wonderful person. She will be missed!😭

Lela Parker - March 27, 2025 at 07:01 PM

GB

“ Gladys Keene Bullock lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath



Gladys Keene Bullock - March 23, 2025 at 06:20 PM

GB

*To Maggie and the rest of the Archer Family
Deepest condolences to you and yours
RIP my dear sorority sister and fellow Eagle*

Gladys Keene Bullock - March 23, 2025 at 06:22 PM

WC

“ *Westelle Cherry lit a candle in memory of Fay
Archer Heath*



Westelle Cherry - March 23, 2025 at 05:17 PM

CP

“ *Hello My Name Is Cynthia Peterson From Kinston Junior High
School Class Of 1985 Her And Her Husband Mr William Heath
Were So Sweet Even Though He Kicked me off the Flag Girl Team*

Cynthia Wiggins Peterson - March 23, 2025 at 03:39 PM

SM

“ *Sylvia Manley lit a candle in memory of Fay
Archer Heath*



Sylvia Manley - March 23, 2025 at 02:42 PM

MD

“ *Melvin Dixon lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath*



Melvin Dixon - March 23, 2025 at 10:01 AM

CP

“ *KHS CLASS of 1974* 🍀🍀



Cynthia Pettaway - March 23, 2025 at 09:28 AM

CP

“ *My heartfelt and sincere condolences on the transition of my former cheerleading coach and gym teacher, Faye Heath. I was saddened to learn of your passing yesterday. I have many fond memories of you and your husband, my former Principal Earl Heath. To your children, grandchildren, family members and your Sorors, hold onto the memories of such a beautiful lady inside and out. You are now reunited with Earl and GOD OUR FATHER 🙏*



Cynthia Pettaway - March 23, 2025 at 09:27 AM

NK

“ *Natasha Kelly lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath*



Natasha Kelly - March 23, 2025 at 04:37 AM

DP

“ *Rest easy in Paradise Ms. Heath.*



Donna M Pierce - March 22, 2025 at 10:30 PM

LH

“ *Deepest condolences to the family of Ms Fay Archer Heath, she will be remembered as a positive influence for the students she touched. Shirley Thaggard and I had the opportunity to sit in her home a short time ago, sharing conversations and memories of our early days at Kinston High School. Rest peacefully.... Linda Harris-Johnson KHS 72*

Linda Harris-Johnson - March 22, 2025 at 10:04 PM

EJ

“ *Earl Koonce Jr lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath*



Earl Koonce Jr - March 22, 2025 at 08:01 PM

LJ

“ RIP to Mrs Faye Heath going to miss my neighbor was always there when she needed mewe truly lost a jewel. Love LB Burney.

Larry Darnell Burney jr - March 22, 2025 at 04:33 PM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 22, 2025 at 10:05 AM

VM

“ Vonetta McGee lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath



Vonetta McGee - March 22, 2025 at 09:44 AM

RB

“ RIP Mrs Heath truly a Gem of teacher and person🕊️❤️ GOD Mercy and Blessings to the family 🙏🙏 Renita Kennedy Brent (Class of 76)

Renita Kennedy Brent - March 22, 2025 at 12:11 AM

JS

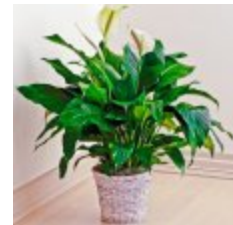
“ JJ & Kandi Archer, Letha Stallings purchased the Red & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



JJ & Kandi Archer, Letha Stallings - March 21, 2025 at 06:07 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 21, 2025 at 05:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Fay Archer Heath.

March 21, 2025 at 05:13 PM

ML

“ All my heart goes out to you as you grieve.

Megan Livingston - March 21, 2025 at 02:48 PM

EB

“ My friend that I will always keep her memories in my heart. Rest easy with the Lord! Love you, DuPree KHS '74, the original Vikings! ❤️🙏💜🌸 San Antonio, Texas



Edna DuPree Bodnel - March 21, 2025 at 02:36 PM

EH

“ *We love you, Scott!*

Ena Harris - March 21, 2025 at 12:07 PM



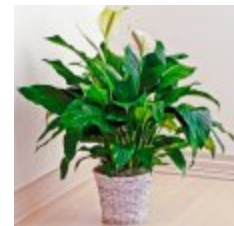
“ *From the Dexter and Cynthia Taylor family, 423 Darby Ave. Sending our deepest condolences on your family's loss. Our hearts and prayers are with you. 🙏*



Cynthia Wooten Taylor - March 21, 2025 at 11:26 AM

HA

“ *Hawkins/Davis Family 419 Darby Ave purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Fay Archer Heath.*



Hawkins/Davis Family 419 Darby Ave - March 21, 2025 at 10:46 AM

ME

“ *Merita Edwards lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath*



Merita Edwards - March 21, 2025 at 10:40 AM

CI

“ *My sincerest condolences to the family.*



Cynthia Isler - March 21, 2025 at 10:39 AM

NH

PRAYING for her family she was a beautiful person inside and out I will truly miss her beautiful smile

NORRECE HINES - March 22, 2025 at 06:02 AM

MF

“ *Michael Hicks and family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Fay Archer Heath.*



Michael Hicks and family - March 21, 2025 at 09:38 AM

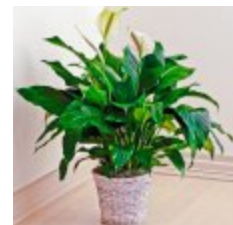
MF

“ *Michael Hicks and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Fay Archer Heath.*

Michael Hicks and family - March 21, 2025 at 09:38 AM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.*



March 21, 2025 at 09:34 AM



“ Rickey Williams lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath



Rickey Williams - March 21, 2025 at 09:31 AM



“ Lavender & White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 21, 2025 at 09:05 AM



“ Lavender & White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 21, 2025 at 08:57 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Fay Archer Heath.

March 21, 2025 at 08:57 AM

R'

“ Mrs. Heath was my health teacher and cheerleading coach. Well-known in the Kinston community, she is cherished and missed by many people. I offer my condolences and prayers for Scott, Ashley, and the family.

Ronda Bryant, KHS '91 - March 21, 2025 at 08:49 AM

RC

Mrs. HEATH WAS MY CHEERLEADER COACH FOR 4 YEARS, SHE TAUGHT ME HEALTH AND P.E. ALSO, I SPENT MUCH TIME WITH HER DURING MY HIGH SCHOOL YEARS, ASHLEY AND SCOTTIE, MUCH LOVE TO YOU BOTH, GOD BE WITH YOU DURING THIS JOURNEY WITHOUT YOUR MOM, SHE WILL BE NEAR YOU IN SPIRIT AS WELL AS YOUR DAD

Rosa chapman - March 21, 2025 at 12:52 PM

MA

“ As a big sister Fay was the best. She was someone I could look up to and follow her example. I always knew she would be there for me whenever I needed her and I always tried to do the same for her. I love her with all my heart and my life will not be the same without her. May heaven bring her peace from all the pain she suffered and that her is running around without all the family that is there waiting for her. I Love you, Fay.

Maggie - March 21, 2025 at 08:32 AM

LG

“ Sincere Condolences to my Classmate Scott and Family During this difficult time. Mrs. Heath was an Awesome Teacher loved by Many.



LaKeshia Gray - March 21, 2025 at 08:16 AM

LG

“ To my '92 KHS classmate Scott and his family—Mrs. Heath had a beautiful spirit and always greeted people with a winning smile. She will be missed and her legacy of service to the community will be cherished forever. May the Lord comfort you as only He can during this difficult time.

L. Inez Gaynor-Vessels - March 21, 2025 at 07:33 AM

SD

“ Love you always Aunt Fay.



Starlett Davis - March 21, 2025 at 01:36 AM

K'

“ Kesha Jones Heffron - KHS '92 purchased the Red Rose And Lily Floor Basket for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



Kesha Jones Heffron - KHS '92 - March 20, 2025 at 11:57 PM



“ Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 20, 2025 at 11:27 PM

RA

“ Ricky Archer purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



Ricky Archer - March 20, 2025 at 10:30 PM

RA

“ Ricky Archer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Fay Archer Heath.

Ricky Archer - March 20, 2025 at 10:30 PM

TL

“ Soror Heath you will be truly missed; you were a beautiful person inside and out!! Your smile will be forever remembered!! I love you Always! Tamiko

Tamiko Loftin - March 20, 2025 at 09:38 PM

DM

“ May she rest in peace. Heartfelt condolences and prayers to the family, friends and the countless number of students she planted seeds that grew roots. Thanks be to God for her dedication to education, phenomenal cheerleading coach and dignity! 🙏❤️🙌



Deborah & Freddie Marshall - March 20, 2025 at 08:50 PM

MJ

“ My DEEPEST Sympathies to Fay’s family,,her mother was always soooo Sweet&Kind to me.
I remember Fay so well during her high school days being a STAR on the girls basketball team,,as well as being a Star in the classroom...she was such a Kind Courteous person,,RIP Fay.
M.D. Jarmond

M.D. Jarmond - March 20, 2025 at 06:25 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 20, 2025 at 05:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Fay Archer Heath.

March 20, 2025 at 05:07 PM

T'

“ The KOmmissioned, Spring '02 purchased the Cherished Memories - All White for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



The KOmmissioned, Spring '02 - March 20, 2025 at 03:36 PM

FW

“ Fall '98 - KOld War purchased the Red & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



Fall '98 - KOld War - March 20, 2025 at 09:30 AM



“ White Funeral Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Fay Archer Heath.



March 19, 2025 at 08:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Fay Archer Heath.

March 19, 2025 at 08:50 PM

RP

“ May the love of family and friends surround you and bring you comfort," "Grief is the price we pay for love," and "Remembering the good times can bring comfort. Ms. Heath was a special teacher and friend.



Rev. Dr. Roosevelt Whitehead PASTOR - March 19, 2025 at 07:39 PM

JJ

“ *Condolences to the family of Fay Archer Heath! May you always remember your Mom, Grandmother and Sister as the beautiful woman she is and how God blessed you to have her in your life. She is now at rest and peace.*



Jacqueline Vann Jones - March 19, 2025 at 01:21 PM

GR

“ *Grace' sent a virtual gift in memory of Fay Archer Heath*



Grace' - March 19, 2025 at 10:19 AM

GR

“ *Grace' lit a candle in memory of Fay Archer Heath*



Grace' - March 19, 2025 at 10:19 AM

WC

I am sorry to hear of the passing my NCCU classmate. May she rest in peace. William Cheek, Raleigh NC

William A. Cheek - March 20, 2025 at 06:25 PM