

A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF

# Rosalynn Smith Carter

1927-2023



Tuesday, November 28, 2023

Glenn Memorial Church at Emory University  
Atlanta, Georgia

“Do what you can to show you care about others, and you will make our world a better place.”

– Rosalynn Smith Carter



*Cambodian Refugee Camp, November 9, 1979*



*Presidential Medal of Freedom, August 9, 1999*

“I would like for people to think that I took advantage  
of my opportunities and did the best I could.”

– Rosalynn Smith Carter



*Testifying Before Congress on Mental Health, February 7, 1979*

“I want people to know what I know—that today because of research and our knowledge of the brain, mental illnesses can be diagnosed and treated effectively, and the majority of those with these conditions can recover and lead fulfilling lives ...going to school, working, raising a family, and being productive citizens in their communities.”

– Rosalynn Smith Carter

## Gathering Music

Adagio in G Minor	Tomaso Albinoni
“Eternal Father Strong to Save” (“Melita”)	John B. Dykes
“Amazing Grace” (“New Britain”)	John Newton
“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” (Prayer of St. Francis)	Sebastian Temple
“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing” (“Nettleton”)	John Wyeth
“Saints Bound for Heaven”	arr. Robert Shaw and Alice Parker
“Unforgettable”	Irving Gordon
“Moonlight Serenade”	Glenn Miller
Air from Orchestral Suite No. 3 in D Major BWV 1068	Johann Sebastian Bach
“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”	Johann Sebastian Bach
“How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place” from A German Requiem, op. 45	Johannes Brahms
Adagio for Strings	Samuel Barber
“Nearer, My God, to Thee”	Sarah Flower Adams
“Nimrod” from <i>Enigma Variations</i> , op. 36	Edward Elgar

## Order of Service

### Prelude

“Name of Jesus Medley”

“Oh How I Love Jesus”

“Jesus Is the Sweetest Name I Know”

“There’s Something About That Name”

David Osborne

Frederick Whitfield

Lela B. Long

Gloria and Bill Gaither

### Processional

“America the Beautiful”

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

Katharine Lee Bates

### Call to Worship and Invocation

The Reverend Mark Westmoreland

### Opening Remarks

Pastor Tony Lowden

### Welcome

James Earl Carter III

### The Lord’s Prayer

Said by all

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

“Blessed Assurance”

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

Fanny Crosby

### Scripture Reading

Henry Lewis Carter

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Philippians 4:13

### Tribute

Kathryn Cade

“Morning Has Broken” (“Bunessan”)  
Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

Eleanor Farjeon

Scripture Reading  
Irie Alicia Carter

Psalm 19:14

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in  
your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

Tribute  
Judy Woodruff

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (“Faithfulness,” Runyan)  
Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

Thomas O. Chisholm

Reading  
Amy Lynn Carter

“Wondrous Love”  
Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

arr. Robert Shaw and Alice Parker

Scripture Reading  
Luella Bird Reynolds

Galatians 5:13-14

Serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one  
command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

Tribute  
The Honorable Jason James Carter

“Imagine”  
Garth Brooks and Trisha Yearwood

John Lennon

Scripture Reading  
Errol Carter Kelly

Matthew 5:6-8

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,  
For they shall be filled.  
Blessed are the merciful,  
For they shall obtain mercy.  
Blessed are the pure in heart,  
For they shall see God.



“Let There Be Peace on Earth”  
Sung by all

Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

**Let There Be Peace on Earth**

Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

Let there be peace on earth and let it be - gin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to  
be. With God as our Fa - ther, broth - ers  
all are we; Let me walk with my broth - er in  
per - fect har - mo - ny. Let peace be - gin with me, let  
this be the mo - ment now. With ev - 'ry step I take, let  
this be my sol - emn vow: To take each mo - ment and live each  
mo - ment in peace e - ter - nal - ly. Let there be peace on earth and  
let it be - gin with me. let it be - gin with me.

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Benediction

Pastor Tony Lowden

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

John Rutter

Recessional

“Wind Beneath My Wings”

David Osborne

Jeff Silbar and Larry Henley

Postlude

Toccata from Symphony for Organ No. 5, op. 42

Norman Mackenzie, organ

Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Brass Quartet

Charles-Marie Widor

**Clergy**

Pastor Tony Lowden

The Reverend Mark Westmoreland  
Glenn Memorial Church Senior Pastor

**Honorary Pallbearers\***

Grandchildren of Rosalynn and Jimmy Carter

*\*In memoriam Jeremy Davis Carter (1987–2015)*

Jason James Carter	James Earl Carter IV
Sarah Rosemary Carter	Joshua Jeffrey Carter
Margaret Alicia Carter	James Carlton Carter
Hugo James Wentzel	Errol Carter Kelly
John Michael Chuldenko	Sarah Elizabeth Chuldenko Reynolds
Casey Payne Gallagher	

**Presenters**

Kathryn E. Cade

Vice Chair

The Carter Center Board of Trustees

Judy Woodruff

Senior Correspondent and Former Anchor  
The PBS NewsHour

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James Earl “Chip” Carter III

Amy Lynn Carter

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The Honorable Jason James Carter

Errol Carter Kelly

Great-grandchildren of Rosalynn and Jimmy Carter:

Henry Lewis Carter

Irie Alicia Carter

Luella Bird Reynolds

## **Musical Tributes**

David Osborne

Garth Brooks and Trisha Yearwood

Robert Bailey, piano, vocals

Johnny Garcia, guitar

Vicki Hampton, vocals

Members of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra Chamber Chorus

Norman Mackenzie, Director of Choruses, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

Hannah Davis, Choral Administrator

String Quartet from the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

Justin Bruns, violin

Kevin Chen, violin

Cathy Lynn, viola

Joel Dallow, cello

Brass Quartet from the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra

Michael Tiscione, trumpet

Mark Maliniak, trumpet

Ryan Little, horn

Nathan Zgonc, trombone