



Patricia Ann Caldwell

October 9, 1943 - August 2, 2025

Patricia Ann Caldwell, a devoted educator, inspirational speaker, and lifelong servant of Christ, passed away peacefully on August 2, 2025, in Las Vegas, Nevada. She was 81 years old.

Born on October 9, 1943, in Cleveland, Ohio, Patricia was the cherished daughter of the late Esther Mae Campbell and Alexander G. Campbell, Sr. She was a proud sister to Barbara Ann Campbell and was preceded in death by her brothers, Alexander G. Campbell, Jr. and Eric E. Campbell, as well as her daughter, Esther Patrice Jones.

Patricia's life was marked by a deep commitment to uplifting others, especially those society often deemed "at risk." She pursued this calling across multiple states, including Michigan, Arizona, and Nevada, serving as a teacher, advisor, admissions counselor, motivational speaker, and spiritual mentor.

At Delta College in Saginaw, Michigan, she served as Director of the Ricker Center, where she built bridges between the college and underserved communities—offering mentorship, college access support, and financial aid guidance. Her work extended into jails, halfway houses, and community centers, including Michigan's Work First employment initiative and community drug-support programs, where she provided life skills training, motivational support, and pathways to healing for individuals navigating economic hardship.

and recovery. She also led programs that engaged youth during ethnic recognition holidays and reached individuals from marginalized backgrounds.

Later, at the Gila Crossing Community School on the Gila River Indian Reservation in Arizona, Patricia continued her dedication to culturally affirming education. There, she supported Native American students and their families in a school that honors the heritage of the Akimel O’otham and Pee-Posh peoples, combining academic assistance with a profound respect for Indigenous traditions.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communications from the University of Michigan, pursued advanced studies at Appalachian State University, and completed her Elementary Education Certification through Rio Salado Community College. In 2022, she was recognized with an honorary Ph.D. in Philanthropy, Humanitarianism, and Volunteerism by McFormalsdale Christian University—a reflection of her enduring devotion to service and Christian mentorship. Receiving that honor late in life, she wore it not as a symbol of prestige, but as a reflection of a lifetime spent educating, uplifting, and serving others. In every way that mattered, she earned the title Dr. Patricia Ann Caldwell.

Her Christian faith was the cornerstone upon which her life was built. As a devoted member of Victory Missionary Baptist Church, Patricia embodied the values she preached, consistently leading by example and inspiring those around her to strive for their highest potential. With a warm smile and open heart, she encouraged both her family and her students to explore their unique gifts and aspirations. One of her most enduring lessons, firmly rooted in her belief in the power of faith, was delivered with unwavering clarity: “You can be anything you want to be.” This simple yet profound message resonated deeply, encouraging others to dream big and pursue their goals with determination.

Patricia is lovingly remembered by her devoted son, Victor F. Caldwell, Esq., and her four radiant grandchildren—Zepporah Lee, Lucky Flores, George Jones V, and Angel Jones—who were the lights of her life. She also cherished her three wonderful great-grandchildren—Ezekiel, Marcilena and Abdud-Dayyaan—who brought her immense joy and pride. In addition, Patricia is survived by her treasured sister, Barbara, and a richly woven community of nieces, nephews, mentees, church family, and lifelong friends—individuals from all walks of life whose relationships with her were as diverse and meaningful as the legacy she leaves behind. Each of these bonds added depth to her journey, just as she inspired and uplifted so many with her unwavering kindness and grace.

Patricia's life was a testimony to the power of resilience, the strength of faith, and the beauty of a spirit dedicated to lifting others higher.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (pst)

Victory Missionary Baptist Church
500 W. Monroe Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89106

A public memorial service will be held on Friday, August 22, 2025, at Victory Missionary Baptist Church, 500 W. Monroe Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89106, from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. PT (2:00 – 3:30 p.m. ET). The service will be live streamed for those unable to attend in person. For those who have asked about flowers, they may be sent directly to Victory Missionary Baptist Church