



Chasity M. Gary

September 22, 1979 - November 13, 2025

Chasity Gary, born on September 22, 1979, in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, made local history in 1997 as the first African American to be crowned Queen of the Phoenixville Dogwood Pageant, a milestone that reflected her vibrant spirit and the light she shared so generously with the world. After a brave five-year battle with cancer, Chasity passed away peacefully on November 13, 2025, at the age of 46.

A proud graduate of Temple University and the University of Pennsylvania School of Social Policy & Practice, Chasity built a life of service as both a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Registered Nurse. She served with distinction during her twelve years at the Philadelphia VA Medical Center, where her compassion and leadership touched the lives of countless veterans. Her dedication was recognized with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs Challenge Coin for excellence, an honor that spoke to the impact of her work and her unwavering commitment to others.

Beyond her professional achievements, Chasity's greatest and most cherished role was being a mother. Her daughters, Amelia Marie Lyn Gibbs and Caden Mae Gibbs, were the center of her heart and the inspiration behind everything she did. She filled their lives with joy, making every celebration meaningful, every milestone special, and every day filled with love.

Rooted in deep faith, Chasity drew strength from her relationship with God, meeting life's challenges with grace, resilience, and prayer. She will be remembered for her generosity, her elegance, and the warmth she brought into every room. Her presence uplifted everyone around her, and her legacy of love and kindness will continue to shine through her cherished daughters and all who were blessed to know her.

Chasity was preceded in death by her parents, Carolyn "Nip" (Harper) Gary and Anthony "Plug" Gary, and her sister, Tiffany Patrice Harper. She is survived by her daughters, her brothers Michael Anthony Gary and Anthony King, the father of her children Dexter Gibbs and a wide circle of family and friends who will carry her memory forward with immense love and gratitude.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her funeral service at Bethel Baptist Church, 412 Fairview Street, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania on Saturday, November 22, 2025 at 11:00 AM. Officiating will be Rev. Nathan Coleman. Burial will follow in the Morris Cemetery, Phoenixville, PA. Friends will be received from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM at Bethel Baptist Church. Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc. Condolences may be offered online at www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Morris Cemetery

428 Nutt Rd
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV **22**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel Baptist Church
412 Fairview Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethel Baptist Church
412 Fairview Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Graveside Service

NOV **22**. 12:00 PM - 12:15 PM (ET)

Morris Cemetery
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Tribute Wall

DA

“ Chasity and I were colleagues but became fast friends. She was fiercely dedicated to the care of our Veterans and widely respected by everyone. She was bright, articulate and carried herself with grace. As accomplished as she was professionally, she would be quick to point out that her greatest achievement was her two daughters. She was a special person and I am honored to have known her. My most sincere condolences to her daughters and family.

Debra Adrian - November 25, 2025 at 03:50 PM

KS

“ I had the pleasure to work with Chasity at the VA. She was the social worker and I was the pharmacist on our medical team. She truly brought a light and positivity to every day spent there. Our Veterans were lucky to have her by their side, advocating for them. She was an absolutely beautiful person - inside and out and she will be so deeply missed. Sending love and prayers to all who knew her, especially her beautiful daughters.

Kate Wolk Skiendzielewski - November 24, 2025 at 08:19 AM

JL

“ Jeanna L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chasity M. Gary.

Jeanna L. - November 22, 2025 at 09:40 AM

RW

“ *Your kindness, smile, genuineness, and presence will be dearly dearly missed! Randy Washington*



Randy Washington - November 22, 2025 at 09:37 AM

CJ

“ Chas was one of my closest friends. We met at Penn in 2005 while earning our MSWs. She was the President of the Association of Black Social Workers in 2006 and I was her VP. During that year and the ones that followed she became one of my favorite people. Someone that I trusted implicitly, always respected and greatly admired. The big sister God knew I needed. I learned so much from Chas about empathy, love, strength, resilience, loyalty and dedication. We walked through the journey of caregiving together. We mourned the losses of our parents, as they happened and we celebrated each other's greatest joys for many years. Even from afar, I loved Chasity, fiercely. I moved to Australia the same year she got diagnosed and I know I missed so much. (I thank everyone who walked through that very private journey with her.) We spoke a few weeks ago, thanks to other dear friends, and were able to share our love and appreciation with one another. For that call and every email, text or photo that I have saved, I am forever grateful. Chasity is and was one of the best people I'll ever know. I'm so sad that she's gone. I believe that she is in the presence of God now and that she has been made whole. I am praying for comfort for her girls, her entire family, friends and everyone else who has had the pleasure of knowing her. May God wrap his loving arms around us all, today and always.

May Chasity fly with the angels and never be too far away. ❤️🙏🦋

Thank you, friend. I love you, always.



Candace Johnson-Phipps - November 22, 2025 at 02:41 AM

BV

“ I worked with her mom Carolyn for many years and watched her grow up thru the YMCA. My condolences to her family, thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Barbara Vitabile - November 21, 2025 at 03:33 PM

GB

“ Grant B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chasity M. Gary.

Grant B. - November 21, 2025 at 03:05 PM

JH

“ Jillian Harris lit a candle in memory of Chasity M. Gary



Jillian Harris - November 21, 2025 at 12:14 PM

MT

“ Marion Toole lit a candle in memory of Chasity M. Gary



Marion Toole - November 21, 2025 at 10:36 AM

BO

“ Brother O lit a candle in memory of Chasity M. Gary



Brother O - November 21, 2025 at 08:09 AM

BB

“ I am saddened by the loss of Chasity, a remarkable social worker and nurse I had the pleasure of knowing at CMCVAMC. She was respected and admired for her intelligence and caring nature. Chasity was a bright light; she was compassionate and genuinely cared for our Veterans, a commitment evident in every position she held. I extend my heartfelt condolences and prayers to her daughters, who will undoubtedly carry on her legacy, as well as to all of her family and friends during this difficult time.

Bridget Briscella - November 21, 2025 at 08:09 AM

AS

“ Amy S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chasity M. Gary.

Amy S. - November 21, 2025 at 06:45 AM

CJ

“ Candace Johnson-Phipps planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chasity M. Gary.

Candace Johnson-Phipps - November 20, 2025 at 10:00 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chasity M. Gary.*



November 20, 2025 at 10:00 PM



“ *Pearl Velasquez purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Chasity M. Gary.*



Pearl Velasquez - November 20, 2025 at 07:17 PM



“ *Robin Sissy lit a candle in memory of Chasity M. Gary*



Robin Sissy - November 19, 2025 at 04:11 PM



“ *Brian Tell lit a candle in memory of Chasity M. Gary*



Brian Tell - November 19, 2025 at 03:08 PM

SR

“ I worked with Chasity at the YMCA many years ago and have very fond memories of her. She was beautiful inside and out. We have lost a very special person and she will be missed. Sue Ellen Masters

Sue Ellen Raser - November 19, 2025 at 01:34 PM

TW

“ You can now get your much needed rest 🙏👤😊🕊️👑 Chasity ❤️ I love you since the day you were born 💋 You can now be with Your Mom, my Cousin Carolyn, Your Aunt Edie& your Grandmom, my Aunt who created you all, Hattie Harper Rest In Paradise 🙏👤😊🕊️💔😭😭💔 Cousin I love you Chasity Marie Gary

Tammy White - November 19, 2025 at 12:03 PM

RF

I always loved love the Harper family's Much success has been taken someplace else hard to say anymore God bless the children legacy

ravanna fields - November 20, 2025 at 12:04 PM

SD

“ Stacey D'ette DeVaney purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Chasity M. Gary.



Stacey D'ette DeVaney - November 19, 2025 at 10:19 AM



“ *My DEEPEST Condolences to Mike Gary, Chas's beautiful daughters and the Entire Gary and Loving Harper Family! She is among the Angels Now along with her Loving Mother Nip and her Sweet Sister Tiffany Patrice!! May God continue to surround the whole family! I'm so blessed to have known Chasity and her so loving family who treated me like their own since I was 7 years old. This is so sad. I love you MORE Chasity Marie!*



Stacia D'ette - November 19, 2025 at 09:58 AM

SA

“ *Condolences to the family*

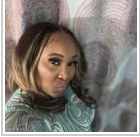


Syreeta Augustine - November 19, 2025 at 09:55 AM

SL

“ *My deepest condolences to your family. Chasity was a joy to work with at the VA and she touched so many lives. May her memory be a blessing.*

Stephanie Long - November 19, 2025 at 07:26 AM



“ From family dinners at My grandmom’s house, to gathering on high st @ Tot & Jr, To Eddie’s House& so much more. I Luv & Miss U Cousin 💕💕



Coko Love - November 18, 2025 at 09:33 PM



“ I had the privilege of working alongside Chasity at the VA medical center. Her impact at the VA and the community will be felt for many years to come, and my thoughts are with her family during this difficult time.

Hong Z - November 18, 2025 at 07:19 PM



“ The Whiteheads (Elisha & Eric) purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Chasity M. Gary.

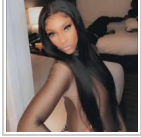


The Whiteheads (Elisha & Eric) - November 18, 2025 at 06:37 PM



“ The Whiteheads (Elisha & Eric) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Chasity M. Gary.

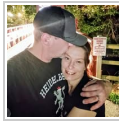
The Whiteheads (Elisha & Eric) - November 18, 2025 at 06:37 PM



“ I will always cherish the time we spent together “I will always keep u in my heart i love and miss u so much cousin””Rest easy my love 🙏
 ❤️



Betta Most - November 18, 2025 at 05:00 PM



Oh Sweet Neek! My heart aches for you!! I love you so much! I reme those 2 sweet girls on the right.. My condolences Neek.

Stacia D'ette - November 19, 2025 at 10:00 AM



“ I loved you then, I love you now, I will love you forever, to infinity and beyond. " To live in the hearts of those we love isn't to die"- Your love will light our way. The memory of you will always be in our hearts❤️ Goodbye my darling... You will be missed 🌸 Cousin Tashina



Tashina Young - November 18, 2025 at 04:35 PM



“ I was an employee in her Community Care Department at the Wilmington VAMC. It was a pleasure working with her and will always hold fond memories. My prayers and condolences to the family.

Verneane Smith - November 18, 2025 at 03:48 PM

RD

“ Dear Mike,
I remember Chastity very well. She was elegant even back then! I admired her kindness, strength, intelligence and determination. i hope the memories you have of your queen bring you comfort.
Fondly,
Rosanne Dippell



Rosanne Dippell - November 18, 2025 at 03:40 PM

KC

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to her family. I worked with Chasity at the VA and cannot believe the VA lost a bright star and social worker.

Kevin Carr-Lemke - November 18, 2025 at 03:08 PM

JK

“ Sincere sympathy to Michael and the family, Chasity was a beautiful young lady, our Lord will take good care of her. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His faithful servants." Psalm 116:15

Joani Kolar - November 18, 2025 at 02:37 PM

CS

“ Chasity was my intern supervisor at the Philadelphia VA during the final year of my masters program. She then hired me full-time shortly thereafter and was my Supervisor. Chasity was a brilliant social worker and nurse. She was highly respected both locally and nationally throughout the VA. She was graceful, humble, nurturing... and she instinctively knew exactly when and where I needed to be challenged to grow. She always supported me through those growing pains, and I could not be more thankful for her expert guidance. She was foundational in my development as a social worker, and more importantly, as a human being. The impact of her mentorship lives on in the work that I do everyday. I knew her as she had both of her girls, and they were her whole world. She loved being a mom, and I know she was amazing at it. Her light lives through her girls and through the many lives that she touched along the way. To know Chasity was to love and respect her. She will forever hold a special place in my heart. I am forever thankful for the time and energy that she invested in me. I wish we could have one more lunch talking shop. She was simply the best.

Cecelia Satterly - November 18, 2025 at 02:25 PM

KB

“ Condolences to the entire family. Chasity was a wonderful person. She taught me a lot. I am so sorry for your loss.



Kim Becker - November 18, 2025 at 02:18 PM

CS

“ *Cecelia Satterly purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Chasity M. Gary.*



Cecelia Satterly - November 18, 2025 at 02:06 PM

CA

“ *Cousin Alice lit a candle in memory of Chasity M. Gary*



Cousin Alice - November 18, 2025 at 12:25 PM