



## Virginia Ann Nyman

*September 12, 1932 - January 23, 2026*

Roanoke, Virginia

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Virginia Ann Nyman died in Roanoke on January 23, 2026. She was 93. She was born on September 12, 1932 in a African-American family that measured love in finished chores. She learned that neighborhoods remember who helps without being asked.

She heard a bad finish the way a musician hears a wrong note. A finish booth spray tip kit meant the next hand could trust the last. Colleagues still mention a finish booth spray tip kit.

She and Michael married in 1956 and raised three daughters without needing an audience. After Michael's death in 2019, she held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember a shovel borrowed and returned sharper. She preferred the hour before a town fully wakes. Roanoke was home enough that she never rehearsed an introduction. The calendar still has a circle on payday.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. Her life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

### Services

A quiet remembrance in Roanoke. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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