

Delver Woman of the Year

Carrie Garner Crushshon was born in Pensacola, FL to James and Alice Garner. The eldest of three girls, she attended the public schools in Pensacola, graduated from Washington Senior High School, attended Florida A & M University, and later received her undergraduate degree from Columbia College in Columbia, SC, and continuing education credits in Exceptional Education from Liberty University.



While living in Pensacola, she met and married her lifetime soulmate, the late Sargent Herbert A. Crushshon, Jr. to whom she was married 47 years. They have four fabulous children, Herbert III, Eric, Terria, and Adrienne. She is the proud grandmother of seven and great grandmother of four.

Carrie's first job was with the Pensacola News Journal as a proofreader. After marriage and a move to South Carolina, she worked in Richland County Schools where she became a strong advocate for the rural Richland County residents. She was chosen as one of three delegates appointed to meet at the State House with Senator Strom Thurmond to advocate for a Head Start Program. She caught the attention of Central Office staff and became the Assistant Director of their first Head Start Program. Her family next moved to Rockville, MD where she was employed at the University National Bank as a teller and later promoted to Manager of the Demand Deposit Department managing 16 branches. Upon their move to Richmond, VA Carrie accepted employment with Henrico County Schools as a Special Education Teacher and Job Coach at Virginia Randolph Special Education Center. Carrie and Herbert next moved to Burlington, VT where, as the first African American teacher in the South Burlington School System, Carrie taught self-contained Math and English classes and developed and served as sponsor of a Multicultural/Diversity Club. After a return to Richmond, she returned to Virginia Randolph as the Behavior Management Specialist. After 27 years with Henrico County Schools, Carrie retired, but continued to work as a GED teacher for HCPS.

Carrie is a devoted and active member in her church and many civic/community organizations. At Quioccasin Baptist Church, she has served as Chairperson of the Deaconess Ministry, the Finance Committee, Counting Committee, Member of Women in Mission Ministry, Treasurer of the Sanctuary Choir, Honoree for Women's Day. She has also served as Manager of the Banquet Committee for the Dr. Andrew M. Mosley, Jr. Enrichment Center, as First Vice President of the Tuckahoe Baptist Association Women's Auxiliary and First Vice President of the Women's Auxiliary to the Deacons Conference of Richmond and Vicinity. Because missionary work is near and dear to Carrie's heart, she regularly attends the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention and participates in their missionary projects. Carrie currently serves as Treasurer of the Delver Woman's Club and is a member of the International Relations Interest Group.

Carrie's love for God, her family, church, and community are all demonstrated in her daily spiritual walk.

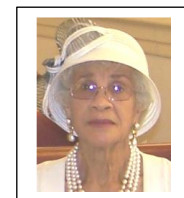
RECOGNITION OF DELVER MEMBERS 90 YEARS OLD - PLUS

DRAMA INTEREST GROUP

Theo S. Jones



Delia A. Coleman - Honorary



MUSIC INTEREST GROUP

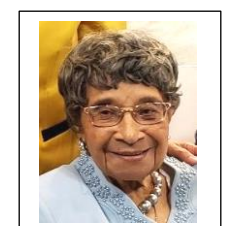
Bettie L. Gentry



Helena S. Lewis



Rosa J. Gentry - Honorary



SOCIAL AND CIVIC AFFAIRS INTEREST GROUP

Rosetta Manns-Baugh



Elnora R. Hunter - Honorary



*"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God prepared in advance for us to do."*

Ephesians 2:10

*"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine on
you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face towards you and give
you peace."*

Numbers 6:24-26