

Queen Margaret Carter Stovall

Margaret Carter Stovall rules as Queen of Carnival Memphis during the 2020 and 2021 years as the organization celebrates our 90th Anniversary.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stovall IV, Queen Carter is a graduate of Cornell University, College of Arts and Sciences in Ithaca, New York. She had an exceptional college career, majoring in Biology and Society and graduating Cum Laude. Since her graduation in May 2021, Queen Carter has held the position of Clinical Research Coordinator for Phase One Clinical trials in the Oncology Department at the University of Colorado CU Anschutz Medical Campus. In her position she works directly with patients with late-stage cancer across all types of cancers. She is responsible for all scheduling, patient care and communication between the doctors and pharmaceutical companies.

Queen Carter attended Grace-St. Luke's school, then Hutchison School where she played Varsity Basketball, was a member of the Peer Council, a Wilson Society grant winner and a National Latin Scholar. She then moved to the Taft School in Watertown, Connecticut where she served as a Dorm Monitor and prefect for the lower school dorms. A high honor roll member, our Queen was awarded the Meg Page grant to study Forensic Science at Georgetown Medical School Summer Institute.

At Cornell, she continued her passion of working with underprivileged children through Cornell's YOURS program and interned at NY Presbyterian Hospital in Queens, New York, one of two Level 1 Trauma Centers in the NYC metro area. She served as Vice President Community Outreach of Cornell's undergraduate branch of American Medical Women's Association and was an active member of Delta Gamma Sorority where she served on the Honor Board.

Carnival's first fourth generation royal, Queen Carter's family has a long and storied history started by her great-grandfather, William Howard Stovall II, the 1948 King. In 1976, her grandfather, Matthew Carter Stovall served as King of Carnival, followed by her father in 2008. Her mother, Baylor Ledbetter Stovall served as Queen in 1993 and her father was a member of her



*The Stovall Family: Howard and Baylor standing
Carter and Quint seated*

Loyal Order of Scarabs. Her maternal grandparents were also very active members of Memphi and her maternal grandmother was Queen in 1991. Carter's Carnival history started in 2008 when she served as a Royal Page along with her brother Quint for her father and Queen Peyton Woodson. Her Carnival involvement continued in 2018 when she served as Princess of the University Club of Memphis.

Queen Carter had this to say: "I am so very honored to be serving as Queen during these unprecedented times. As a 4th generation royal, I hope to continue a long legacy of serving and celebrating our great city. As our world continues to endure a major pandemic, it is incredibly fulfilling to be able to focus on the true mission of Carnival Memphis' dedication to children's charities. As our city continues to struggle, there have been few other times in our history that "The Party with a Purpose" can make such an important difference in the lives of the children of Memphis. I urge each and every one of you to join me this Holiday Season in a uniquely historic Carnival Season of giving!"