

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one, I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways, of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun of happy memories that I leave behind when life is done.



Acknowledgements

On behalf of the Pruitt Family, we express our deepest appreciation for the outpouring of love, prayers and support shown to us during this time of bereavement. Your kind words, comforting visits and acts of compassion have been a true source of strength and peace. May God Bless and Keep you!



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Celebrating the Life and Spirit of



Dolores Marie Pruitt

August 13, 1942 - November 1, 2025

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Visitation: 10:00 AM

Funeral Service: 11:00 AM

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2625 Gilbert Avenue

Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Reverend Chester Ricks, Officiating

Obituary

Dolores Marie Pruitt was born on August 13, 1942, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Sarah and Frederick Pruitt. Dolores departed this life on November 1, 2025, at the age of 83.

In her early life, she grew up in the Mt. Auburn and Walnut Hills neighborhoods as part of a large family, which included three brothers and five sisters. She dedicated her life to God as an adolescent and was baptized at Bethel Baptist Church. She graduated from Hughes High School at the age of 18.

In her adult life, she worked at Evans Nursing Home, Cincinnati State, and bartended at various locations throughout the city. She had many hobbies, including bingo, playing card games, visiting the casino, sitting on the steps in front of her apartment building, watching soap operas, and talking daily with her mother.

She was a fashionista, a very sharp dresser who loved to wear her high heels. She especially enjoyed football and was the biggest Cincinnati Bengals fan. She was well known for supporting little league players and often attended games—always the loudest cheerer in the stands.

On November 1, 1967, she gave birth to her only child, William (Shawnetta) Pruitt, whom she affectionately called Billy. She shared an unbreakable bond and unconditional love with her son—they were truly two peas in a pod.

She was a loving and devoted grandmother to LaToya (Justice) Dennis, William (Sharneice) Dennis, and Juwan Dennis, as well as a bonus grandmother to Richard, William, Larry (Silver), Lashawn, Shavon, and Jeffrey Woods.

She also leaves behind her great-grandchildren: Kamryn Dennis, LaNiya Dennis, Zi'Onna Dennis, and Kai'Cyn Dennis, along with 18 bonus great-grandchildren.

Dolores was a big sister to Patricia (Jesse) Anderson, Barbara (Leon) Watts, and Juanita (Dwan) Gray. She was also a beloved aunt, cousin, and friend.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Sarah and Fred Pruitt; her brothers, Fred Jr. (Bernice) Pruitt, Charles (Yvonne) Pruitt, and James (Wakeda) Pruitt; and her sisters, Hattie Pruitt and Gwendolyn (Charles) Harris, along with a host of nephews, nieces, and cousins.

She was also a bonus mother figure to Tony Duke and several community children.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	
Parting View	Immediate Family
Scripture	John 3:16 Luke 6:45
Selection	Bobbie Michelle Bean "His Eye is on the Sparrow"
Acknowledgments	Patti Pitts
Selection	Bobbie Michelle Bean Amazing Grace
Poem	Shawnetta Pruitt
Remarks	Led by La Toya Dennis (2 Minutes Please)
Moments of Reflection	(Read Obituary Silently)
Eulogy	Reverend Chester Ricks
Benediction	Reverend Chester Ricks
Recessional	Clergy, Family, and Friends.

Final Resting Place

Vine Street Hill Cemetery
3701 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220

Repast

Tuesday, November 18, 2025
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
1555 Winton Rd, Forest Park, 45240

Pallbearers

Dannell Harris	Dion Gray
Dwan Gray Jr	Charles Harris Jr
Juwan Dennis	Leonard Smalls

Honorary Pallbearers

Lashawn Woods	William Woods
William Dennis	Tony Duke

Flower Bearers

La Toya Dennis	Jahraya Dennis
Shavonne Woods	

Honorary Flower Bearers

LaNiya Dennis	Zi'Onna Dennis
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