

Order of Service

- Prelude Soft Music
- Prayer Pastor Will Adams
- Scripture Myrna Washington
Psalm 23:1-4 (KJV or NIV)
- Selection Elesa Cooper - Jones

- Acknowledgements Myrna Washington
& Condolences

- Life Reflections..... Read in Silence

- Remarks Monique Washington
(Family and Friends)

- Selection..... Yolanda Adams
"The Battle is the Lords"
- Words of Comfort..... Pastor Will Adams
- Benediction Pastor Will Adams
- Recessional Walter Hawkins
"Goin' Up Yonder"



The repass following the service will be held at:
BTC Building Brighter Futures
4042 Indiana Avenue Kansas City, MO 64130

Acknowledgments

WE, THE FAMILY OF MARILYN FRANKLIN, DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR KINDNESS AND SUPPORT DURING OUR TIME OF SORROW. YOUR LOVE AND PRAYERS HAVE MEANT SO MUCH. MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU ALWAYS.

- HONORARY PALLBEARERS**
CHRISTOPHER WASHINGTON
TERRY RAINEY
KENDRICK FERRELL
MAURICE GULLEDGE
JOSEPH GULLEDGE
JERMAINE JONES



LETTER TO MY MOM
HEY MAMA,

I MISS YOU SO MUCH. NOT A SINGLE DAY GOES BY THAT I DON'T THINK ABOUT YOU. IT HURTS THAT YOU HAD TO LEAVE, BUT I REMEMBER YOU TELLING ME YOU WERE TIRED—AND YOU HAD NEVER SAID THAT BEFORE. SO, I PRAY YOU'RE FINALLY RESTING, JUST AS YOU DESERVE. WE ALWAYS SAID THAT GOD KNEW WE NEEDED EACH OTHER. BUT ON SEPTEMBER 28, HE MUST HAVE NEEDED YOU A LITTLE MORE. I HOPE YOU KNOW YOU WERE MY EVERYTHING. YOU TAUGHT ME HOW TO BE STRONG, HOW TO COOK, AND HOW TO ALWAYS STRIVE TO BE BETTER THAN I WAS BEFORE. MY LOVE FOR YOU WAS PURE, AND EVERYONE AROUND ME KNEW EXACTLY WHO MY MAMA WAS AND HOW MUCH YOU MEANT TO ME. PLEASE KEEP WATCHING OVER US—ESPECIALLY YOUR GRANDCHILDREN. TELL EVERYONE UP THERE I SAID HELLO. THIS ISN'T GOODBYE, MAMA. IT'S JUST "SEE YOU LATER," MY SWEET OLE LADY.

LOVE YOU,
MONIQUE AKA MONEE



We Entrusted Our Loved One To The Golden Care Of:
Golden Gate
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HONORING THE LIFE, LOVE, & LEGACY OF OUR BELOVED

Marilyn
L. FRANKLIN

STEPPED INTO LIFE : JULY 28 1941
 STEPPED INTO ETERNITY: SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

SATURDAY, CTOBER 11, 2025 2:00 PM

GOLDEN GATE FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICES, LLC
 2800 E. 18TH ST., KANSAS CITY, MO 64127
 PASTOR WILL ADAMS, OFFICIATING

2 TIMOTHY 4:7 (KJV) "I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED MY COURSE, I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH."

Life Reflections

MARILYN LOUISE FRANKLIN WAS BORN ON JULY 28, 1941, IN KENSETT, ARKANSAS, TO VERA MAE JONES AND TITUS FLOYD. SHE ACCEPTED CHRIST AT AN EARLY AGE AND OFTEN SPOKE FONDLY OF THE MINISTRY OF HER LATE GRANDFATHER, REVEREND SAMUEL WHITNEY OF KENSETT, ARKANSAS—A SPIRITUAL INFLUENCE SHE CARRIED THROUGHOUT HER LIFE.

IN 1956, MARILYN MOVED TO KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, WHERE SHE BEGAN BUILDING A LIFE ROOTED IN FAITH, FAMILY, AND SERVICE. ON JULY 10, 1965, SHE MARRIED WILLIAM "BILL" FRANKLIN, GAINING THREE BELOVED STEPCHILDREN. THOUGH THEIR UNION LASTED FIVE YEARS, BILL PRECEDED HER IN DEATH IN 1970. IN 1984, MARILYN WAS BLESSED WITH HER ONLY DAUGHTER, MONIQUE WASHINGTON—A JOYFUL SURPRISE AND THE LIGHT OF HER LIFE.

MARILYN WAS A DEVOTED MOTHER, GRANDMOTHER, DAUGHTER, SISTER, AUNT, AND FRIEND. SHE WORE MANY HATS WITH GRACE AND DEDICATION: WORKING AS AN IN-HOME DAYCARE PROVIDER, A COOK, AND RUNNING HER OWN PRIVATE DUTY CLEANING SERVICE FOR MANY YEARS. HER WORK ETHIC WAS MATCHED ONLY BY HER LOVE FOR HER FAMILY.

SHE FOUND JOY IN LIFE'S SIMPLE PLEASURES—WATCHING THE PRICE IS RIGHT AND THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS (WHICH YOU DARED NOT INTERRUPT), INDULGING IN SWEET TREATS, AND CARING FOR HER GRANDCHILDREN, WHO BROUGHT HER ENDLESS HAPPINESS.

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025, MARILYN PEACEFULLY DEPARTED THIS LIFE AT HOME, SURROUNDED BY HER DAUGHTER, SON-IN-LAW, AND GRANDCHILDREN. SHE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH

BY HER PARENTS; HUSBAND; STEPCHILDREN WILLETTA CASON AND ARTHUR FRANKLIN; SISTER LUCY GULLEDGE; AND BROTHER EARNEST LEE JONES. MARILYN LEAVES BEHIND A LEGACY OF LOVE AND RESILIENCE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER MONIQUE WASHINGTON (CHRISTOPHER) OF KANSAS CITY, MO; DAUGHTER-IN-LAW RAMONA FRANKLIN OF KANSAS CITY, MO; THREE GRANDCHILDREN—KENNEDI AND KENDRICK FERRELL OF KANSAS CITY, MO, AND CHRISTI WASHINGTON OF BLUE SPRINGS, MO; BROTHERS HOWARD WASHINGTON (NETRA) AND TERRY MICHAEL JONES OF KENSETT, AR; SISTER CAROLYN BAILEY (LINDELL) OF KENSETT, AR; DEVOTED CARETAKER CARMEN DYE OF KANSAS CITY, MO; AND A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, COUSINS, AND FRIENDS. HER PRESENCE, LAUGHTER, AND UNWAVERING LOVE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER.

