

A Precious One

A precious one from us is gone, A voice we love is stilled; A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled. And after a lonely heartache and many tears; There's always a beautiful memory of the one we love so dear.

Acknowledgments

The family of Josephine T. Storne wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the many prayers, thoughtful words, and deeds shown during this period of bereavement. May God bless you all.

A special thanks to the entire staff at the Home at Hearthstone, who took such excellent care of Josephine for the last 15 years.



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Celebrating the Life and Spirit of



Josephine T. Storne

Sunrise: January 18, 1920 - Sunset: March 31, 2026

Thursday, April 9, 2026

Visitation: 10:00 am

Funeral Service: 11:00 am

Walker - Mt. Healthy Chapel

7272 Hamilton Avenue

Mt. Healthy, Ohio 45231

Pastor Carlton Ellis, Officiating

Calvary Baptist Church

Obituary

Josephine was born to Will and Pearl Tillman on January 18, 1920, in Franklin, Tennessee. She departed this life peacefully on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, at the age of 106, at the Home at Hearthstone in Cincinnati, OH, where she had been a patient for the last 15 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, all of her aunts and uncles, her husband, and her two sons, William Tillman, Sr. and Duane Tillman. Her parents moved to Cincinnati when she was 2 years old. Josephine attended Washburn Elementary and Bloom Junior High School. She graduated from Taft High School. As a teenager living with her parents in Cincinnati, OH, she joined Southern Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Moore.

In her early 20s, Josephine left Ohio and moved to Harlem, New York, where she started working as a Personal Home Health Aide. Later, she moved to the Bronx, New York, where she continued to work well into her 80s.

During an extended visit to Cincinnati, on May 25, 1997, Josephine, under the pastorate of Pastor James R. Chisley, joined Calvary Baptist Church under watch care. Josephine returned to Cincinnati in 2010, where she was admitted to the Home at Hearthstone due to health issues. While there, before her health began to worsen, Josephine enjoyed attending Sunday Church services and other weekly services. She enjoyed playing bingo, going on shopping trips, attending the many activities at Hearthstone, holiday events, etc. She had a quick wit and a wry sense of humor, which could keep you laughing. She had a wonderful sense of style; she loved clothes and stiletto heels. Josephine was truly loved by her family and the nurses, aides, and other staff members, and was affectionately called "Grandma Jo" or "Mama Jo". They took exceptional care of her.

Josephine leaves to mourn her memory precious loving daughter, Sharon Pearl Tillman; adopted daughters, Robbin Lewis and Pearl Dickson, Bronx, New York; two devoted daughters-in-laws, Lois Tillman, Cincinnati, OH and Wyomia Tyus Tillman, Los Angeles, CA; ten grandchildren, Kevin Hawkins (Yvonne), Shawn Hawkins, Theresa Paige, Vicki Burt (David, Sr.), William Tillman, Jr. Cincinnati, OH, Simone Rahotep (Nyaniso), Tyus Tillman, Los Angeles, CA; fourteen great-grandchildren, Kevin Hawkins, Jr., Joshua Hawkins, Atlanta, GA, Mia Montgomery (Gavin), Tiffanie Burt, Brooklyn, New York Ashley Burt, David Burt, Jr. Kyla Tillman, William Tillman, III, Cincinnati, OH, Tyus Tillman, Jr, Damani Rahotep, Anika, Rahotep, Amare Tillman, Axel Tillman, Los Angeles, CA; three great-great-grandchildren: June Paige, Jaxson Paige, Cincinnati, David Burt, III (Tre) Columbus, OH; four special God children, Jamie Payne, Heaven Scott, Patient Haney Burt, and Marie Lockett; and a host of other loved ones, relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Terry Reid, Sr.
Parting View	The Family
Scripture	Pastor Carlton Ellis <i>Old Testament: Isaiah 40:28-31</i> <i>New Testament: John 11:25-26</i>
Prayer	Pastor Carlton Ellis
Selection	"I Won't Complain" Minister Eva Reid
Acknowledgements	Clerk
Remarks	Family & Friends Please limit remarks to two minutes
Obituary	Read Silently
Selection	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Minister Eva Reid
Eulogy	Dr. James R. Chisley Pastor Emeritus, Calvary Baptist Church
Benediction	Dr. James R. Chisley
Recessional	Clergy, Pallbearers, & Family



Pallbearers

David Burt	Gavin Montgomery
Kevin Hawkins	William Tillman, Jr.

Flower Bearers

Mia Montgomery	Jamie Payne
Ashley Burt	June Paige
Kyla Tillman	

Interment

Friday, April 10, 2026
10:00 am
Spring Grove Cemetery
4521 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45232