



Forever in Our Hearts

A gentle soul, a loving light,
She walked in grace, she shined so bright.

Her hands brought comfort, calm, and care,
Her heart gave love beyond compare.

Though she has gone to peaceful rest,
Her memory lives within our chest.

In every smile, in every prayer,
We feel her love still lingering there.

Forever cherished, forever near —
A precious life we hold so dear.

The Family

PALLBEARERS

Clarence Strawter Jimmy Strawter
Michael Derico Keldrick Franklin
Corry Strawter James Strawter

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Class of 1970

FINAL EARTHLY RESTING PLACE
BARBER CEMETERY

MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE

The family of Gloria Annette Sanders wishes to express our heartfelt appreciation for your prayers, love, and support during this time. Your calls, visits, messages, and every act of kindness have brought us comfort and strength.

Thank you to our family, friends, church communities, and all who assisted with the service or offered help in any way. Your compassion means more than words can express.

With gratitude,

The Family of Gloria Sanders

REPAST

Gloria's Home
10894 Florida-Georgia Hwy
Havana, FL 32333

SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:

Tillman Funeral Home
4006 Crawfordville Road
Tallahassee, FL 32305

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



Gloria Annette Sanders

July 8, 1952 - January 6, 2026

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2026
NEW JERUSALEM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
REV. JULIUS HARRIS, PASTOR
311 SE 1ST STREET
HAVANA, FL 32333

HER STORY

Gloria Annette Johnson Sanders was born on July 8, 1952, to the late Willie G. Johnson and Velma Lou Reed in Havana, Florida. She attended Gadsden County Schools and graduated from Northside High School, Class of 1970. At an early age, Gloria accepted Christ as her Savior and remained devoted to her faith throughout her life. She held membership at New Bethel Primitive Baptist Church in Havana, FL, 12th Street Missionary Baptist Church in Detroit, Michigan, and New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church in Havana, Florida.

In 1974, Gloria met the love of her life, Terry Sanders. They were married in 1977 and made their home in Detroit, Michigan. Their 39 years of marriage were filled with love, travel, movie nights, and joyful gatherings with family and friends. Following retirement, Gloria and Terry returned to Havana, Florida, near the Florida-Georgia border.

Gloria attended Highland Park Community College in Highland Park, Michigan, where she earned associate degrees in Fine Arts and Medical Assisting. She enjoyed a distinguished career marked by dedication and leadership and retired after many years of service as a Personal Banker with National City Bank. In her leisure time, Gloria found joy in sewing and cooking and was always willing to lend her talents to family and friends. She also had a love for shoes and purses, taking pride in her personal style.

Gloria leaves to cherish her memory her daughter, Brenda Wade of Detroit, Michigan; her son, Reshod Sanders (Alicia) of Southfield, Michigan; six grandchildren—James Shaw, Theron Holmes, Jr., and Rashaunda Rogers of Detroit, Michigan; Warren Turner, Blake Sanders, and Ayden Sanders of Southfield, Michigan; and two great-grandsons, Raquan Rogers and Messiah Harris of Detroit, Michigan.

She is also survived by her five sisters—Sylvia Burnett (Ronald) and Vanessa Roberts of Tallahassee, Florida; Geraldine Tyson of Powder Springs, Georgia; Gail Johnson Perry (Anthony) of Tampa, Florida; and Chandra Johnson of Tallahassee, Florida; and three brothers—Derrick Williams (Wisteria) of Loganville, Georgia; Otis Pease of Queens, New York; and Stevie Johnson (Renee) of Loganville, Georgia; uncle, Jesse Strawter (Betty) of Havana, Florida; Gloria will be fondly remembered by her step-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, friends, and especially her dear friend, Marjorie Thomas of Detroit, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her mother, Velma Reed, husband, Terry Sanders, and her stepson, Stevie Mango.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Rev. Julius Harris, Presiding

Processional.....Choir

FINAL GLANCE

Hymn.....Choir

Old Testament

New Testament

Family Prayer.....Rev. Harry Strawter

Selection.....Choir

Acknowledgements & Resolutions

Tillman Funeral Home

Solo....."I Won't Complain"

Reflections (2 minutes)

Neighbor.....Janice Horne

Family.....Katreca Neale

Selection.....Choir

Eulogy.....Rev. Julius Harris, Pastor

Recessional....."He'll Welcome Me"

