



We're Free

Don't grieve for us, for now we're free,
We're following the path God laid for us.
We took his hand when we heard his call,
We turned our backs and left it all.

We could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
We've found that peace at the end of the day.

If our parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things too we will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
We wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
Our Life's been full, We savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps our time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with us,
God wanted us now, He set us free.

Acknowledgements

The families of Janet and Lawrence Anderson would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for your prayers, flowers, calls, texts, visits, cards, and any acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. May God bless you all.

The Families Of Janet & Lawrence

Services Entrusted To

 Serenity Funeral Home
1101 E. Bannister Rd.
Kansas City, Missouri 64131



In Loving Memory

Janet Marie
PHILLIPS - ANDERSON

October 28, 1973 – August 21, 2025



Lawrence
ANDERSON

December 24, 2004 – August 21, 2025



Sunday, September 7, 2025
Service: 2:00p.m.

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*Janet Marie Phillips
Anderson*

Janet Marie Phillips-Anderson was born to the union of James and Maxine Phillips on October 28, 1973. Janet went into the light, joined side-by-side and hand-in-hand with her baby boy, Lawrence, on August 21, 2025.

Awaiting their arrival into the ancestral plane were her parents: James and Maxine Phillips; bonus mother, Nola Phillips; brothers: James Kelton and Kevin Phillips; and sister, Tricia Phillips, along with other relatives and ancestors.

Janet was born and raised in Kansas City, Missouri, and she was educated in the Kansas City Missouri School District and Job Corps.

Janet was a woman who was full of love and had a kind and generous heart. She had a passion for helping those in need, and if needed, she would give the shirt off her back and the shoes off her feet. Janet loved to ball on a budget by hitting the clearance and sales racks and by doing what she loved and called "thrift-noodling."

Janet married her teenage sweetheart, Larry, and together they welcomed four beautiful children. With their kids in tow, they traveled the states, living in Missouri, Texas, Arizona, and back again. Besides her children, Janet cherished her family and doted on her four grandchildren, who were her world.

Cementing Janet's legacy, allowing her spirit to live on, she leaves behind her loving husband of 24 years, Larry Anderson; children: one daughter, Lauren Anderson, and two remaining sons, T'Mel and Xavier Anderson; grandchildren: T'Liyah, Royalty, T'Mel Jr., and Tu'Nye Anderson; sisters: Carla Hunt, Dana Hunt, Cynthia Phillips, Jamie Richardson, Carolyn Addison, Robin Wright, and Ebony Brown; brothers: Gary and Gregory Phillips; bonus mom, Terry Anderson, and a host of nieces, nephews, and other family and friends.

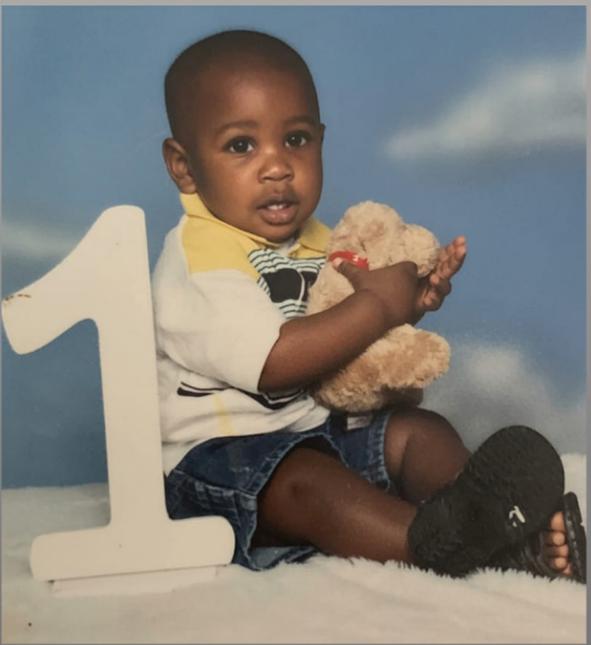


Precious Memories





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*Lawrence
Anderson*

Lawrence was born on December 24, 2004, to the union of Larry Anderson and Janet Phillips-Anderson. Lawrence now rests in peace with his beloved mother, Janet Phillips-Anderson, both joined in death on August 21, 2025.

Also, preceding him in death are his maternal grandparents: James and Maxine Phillips; maternal uncles: James Kelton and Kevin Phillips; and maternal aunt Tricia Phillips.

Lawrence was a source of joy and light to all who knew him.

Though his time with us was brief, his bright smile, kind heart, and the love that he shared left a lasting impact on everyone around him. Primarily raised in Kansas City, Missouri, Lawrence graduated from Van Horn High School in 2023. He then continued his education by attending the University of Kansas.

Lawrence had a passion for music and enjoyed rapping and producing beats with his cousins and friends. His passion for music gave him a unique voice that allowed him to express his creativity. Beyond his musical talent, Lawrence was a young entrepreneur with a remarkable intelligence for numbers and business ownership. He was especially proud of his recent accomplishment of starting his own janitorial franchise, which was a testament to his drive, determination, and vision for his future and those around him.

He leaves behind to treasure his memory: his father, Larry Anderson; his sister, Lauren Anderson; his brothers: T'Mel and Xavier Anderson; his nieces: T'Liyah and Royalty Anderson; and nephews: T'Mel Jr. and Tu'Nye Anderson. He also leaves his best friend, Angelo Marmolejo; his girlfriend, Jayla Banks; his paternal grandmother, Terry Anderson, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.





Order of Service

Processional



- Scripture.....Pastor Earlene Sparkle Brown
- PrayerPastor Earlene Sparkle Brown
- Musical Selection..... “A Song For Mama”.....By Boys II Men
- Acknowledgments & Condolences.....Ashley Grigsby
- Words of Reflection.....Silently Read
- Video Presentation**
- Musical Selection..“Somewhere Over The Rainbow”..By Israel Kamakawiwo’ole
- Words of Comfort.....Pastor Earlene Sparkle Brown
- Benediction
- Recessional

The Broken Chain

*Little did we know that day,
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death, we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you.
You did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
The day God called you home.*

*You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
You are always at our side.*

*Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again.*



If I Should Go Tomorrow

By Unknown

*It would never be goodbye,
For I have left my heart with you,
So don't you ever cry.
The love that's deep within me,
Shall reach you from the stars,
You'll feel it from the heavens,
And it will heal the scars.*