

"Forever in our hearts"



Pall Bearers

Family & Friends

Flower Bearers

Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church Ushers



"Till we meet again"

Acknowledgements:

The family wishes to thank all who have been so kind to them in their hour of bereavement. We have sustained a great loss and your kindness and prayers have been most comforting to us. We are deeply moved and grateful for your concern, your love and your sharing our grief. Thank you and God bless each of you.

~The Family



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In Loving Memory



Cassandra Walker

"Bootsy"

Sunrise: May 31, 1947 – Sunset: November 5, 2019

Friday, November 15, 2019

Visitation: 11:00AM - Service: 12:00PM
Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church

9991 Wayne Avenue
Woodlawn, Ohio 45215

Dr. Elliott Cuff, Senior Pastor/Eulogist

Order of Service

Organ Prelude.....	Musician
Parting View.....	The Family
Scripture-Psalms 91.....	Rev. Alfonza Jones
Prayer of Comfort.....	Rev. Roy Brooks
Selection.....	"Jesus Be a Fence" Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Choir
Acknowledgements of Cards and Condolences.....	
Words of Reflection.....	Rev. Bennie Strayhorn Rev. Freddie T. Piphus Family & Friends (2 Minutes)
Obituary.....	Read Silently
Selection.....	"Changed" Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Choir
Eulogy.....	Dr. Elliott Cuff
Benediction.....	Dr. Elliot Cuff
Recessional.....	Clergy, Family & Friends



Interment

Oak Hills Cemetery
11200 Princeton Pike
Cincinnati, Ohio 45246



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Obituary

Cassandra Joyce Ervin Walker, affectionally known as "Bootsy", was born on May 31, 1947 in Cincinnati, Ohio, to her mother Ruth Ervin Mapp and her father Leroy Bickerstaff. At the tender age of 2 years old she was lovingly parented for by Deacon Willie and Hattie Bell Strayhorn. They instilled in her a strong spiritual family value system. She joined the body of Christ at Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church around the young age of 11.

Cassandra grew up in Lincoln Heights, Ohio. She graduated from Lincoln Heights High School in 1965. She was an active cheerleader and voted the Best Dressed Senior by her classmates. Her favorite hobby as a teenager was roller skating. She was nicknamed "Skating Rink Bootsy" by her fellow classmates during her high school years.

Cassandra often opened initial conversations with strangers by asking, "Do you know any Strayhorns?" She was very proud of her Strayhorn family tree. Cassandra was employed for over 20+ years at Proctor and Gamble. She was the first female to perform a technical position, as a Greasy Oil Technical Operator at The Crisco Oil Plant. Once a month, she would climb the tanks and check the temperature of the Crisco Oil.

Cassandra severed on as an Adult Usher during the mid 1970's, holding the office of Usher Secretary. She also served on the Board of Directors for 'Operation Push' under the leadership of B.W. Smith at Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church.

In 1982 Cassandra was married to Johnny Walker. They were united until his death in 2002. In 2011 Cassandra's health began to fail, despite this, her love for Christ, life, and to be with family never wavered. She was a very family-oriented woman. Her immediate family will remember her as being caring, patient, loving, sweet, kindhearted, selfless, and generous. Furthermore, in 2017 Cassandra was able to be an honorary member of the Andrew Ministry at LHMBC. During her later years, Cassandra would often state that her biggest goal in life was to make it through the 'Pearly Gates'. Her daughter was there to reassure her of the Plan of Salvation [Romans 10:9-10] *If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.* True repentance pleases God.

Cassandra was preceded in death by her parents, Hattie and Willie Strayhorn; stepmother, Rebecca Strayhorn; natural parents, Ruth Mapp and Leroy Bickerstaff; husband, Johnny Walker; sisters, Ella Mae Ruthledge, Juanita Green, Lillian Gover, and Jill Mapp; sister-in-Law, Barbara Strayhorn; her brothers, Fletcher Strayhorn, Tony Mapp, and Timothy Mapp; nieces, Kitchey Strayhorn, Leslie Kay Robinson, and Geneva Strayhorn; and nephew, Michael Green.

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Cassandra is survived by: her daughter Juana Ervin (Rodney Dawson); grandchildren Precious Gibbs (Earl Williams IV), Kevin Gibbs Jr., and Malik Ervin; her great grandchildren Amora Williams, Earl Williams V., and Jada Williams; her brother, Charles Strayhorn; sister, Micki Mapp; her sister-in-law, Rosa Strayhorn; special nieces, Wanda Rutledge and Renai Moore; a natural brother and sister; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.



Reflections from Malik

"But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ

Jesus our Lord."
Romans 6:22-23 NIV

Reflections from Kevin

She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.

*She watches over the affairs of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
Her children arise and call her blessed;
her husband also, and he praises her:*

"Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all."

*Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting;
but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.
Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.*

Proverbs 31:26-31 (NIV)