

Don't Cry For Me

Don't cry for me. I will be okay.

Heaven is my home now,

and this is where I'll stay.

Don't cry for me. I'm where I belong.

I want you to be happy and try to stay strong.

Don't cry for me.

It was just my time, but I will see you someday on the

other side.

Don't cry for me.

I am not alone.

The angels are with me to welcome me home.

Don't cry for me, for I have no fear.

All my pain is gone, and Jesus took my tears.

Don't cry for me.

This is not the end.

I'll be waiting here for you

when we meet again.



Celebrating the Life of



Norma Jean Russ

September 30, 1958 - May 26, 2026



June 8, 2026

Visitation: 11:00 am - Funeral Service: 12:00 pm

Walker - Walnut Hills

2625 Gilbert Avenue | Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Pastor Kendall Washington, Officiating

You were my very first home, my anchor, and my guide,
As your only daughter, I carry your grace,
In every reflection, I still see your face.
You held my small hand when my world just begun,
Now I hold you in my heart, until my days are done.

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern, prayers, and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!
- The family of Norma Jean Russ



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Obituary

Norma Jean Russ was born on September 30, 1958, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to the late Fred King Sr. and the late Nellie Ruth Russ. She was called to glory on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, receiving eternal peace.

Affectionately known as Jeannie by her family and friends, she attended Cincinnati Public Schools and graduated from Robert A. Taft High School.

Jeannie worked for Cincinnati Coin Laundry for over 30 years, becoming the first Black woman to work for the company as a Machine Technician.

Always the life of the party, Jeannie loved to dance. Her favorite artist was Prince, and she enjoyed family gatherings. Her presence brought smiles and laughter to every room she entered. She was known for wearing her signature white outfits, loving her beloved dog, Chestnut, whom she had for many years, and living life to the fullest.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Willie Eva Paxton; her brother, Windress Russ; her grandson, Willshawn Russ; and her godson, Orlando Isiah Stallworth.

Jeannie will be forever missed by her family and friends.

She leaves to cherish her loving memory her two sons, Willie Russ and Lovell Stallworth; her daughter, Lea Russ; 10 grandchildren: Rashee (Sadie), Queena (Jay), Jasmine, Willie, JaWill, Aireonna, Kayla, Cherish, LaShiah, and Dalani; 20 great-grandchildren; her brothers, Ronnie Russ and Robert Russ (Annette); her sister, Willa Earthman; her favorite niece and favorite nephew, Shelley Earthman (Marcus) and Michael Earthman Jr.; her nieces, Tiffany Jackson and Janiyah Russ; her cousins, Jacqueline Watson and Antwon Watson (Marquise); her forever best friend, Lillian Marie Stallworth; as well as many other family members, friends, and loved ones.



"Fly With the Angels, Dance With the Stars"

Dance, when you're broken open.
 Dance, if you've torn the bandage off.
 Dance in the middle of the fighting.
 Dance in your blood.
 Dance when you're perfectly free.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	
Parting View	Immediate Family
Prayer	Pastor Kendall Washington
Scripture	Pastor Kendall Washington
Poem	Tiffany Black
Remarks	2 Minutes Please
Obituary	Read Silently
Selection	
Eulogy	Pastor Kendall Washington
Benediction	Pastor Kendall Washington
Recessional	Clergy, Family & Friends



Final Resting Place

Spring Grove Cemetery
 4521 Spring Grove Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45232

Repast

Walker - Walnut Hills
 2625 Gilbert Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Pallbearers

Willie Russ	Lovell Stallworth
Marcus Murray	Markeio Murray
JaWill Russ	Willie Russ II
James Lunford III	

Flower Bearers

Family & Friends