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House of Hope
930 Findlay Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Pallbearers

Anthony Jones Eric Standifer, Jr.
Bobby Burck Darryl Hammond
Deandre Spencer, Sr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Walter Peeples Billy Joe Peeples
Maceo Peeples Jameel Peeples
Khamisi Peeples Hassan Peeples
Demarcus Hawkins Kaylib Peeples

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 Francesa Maria Standifer



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MEMORY



Francesa Maria Standifer
"Dula"

September 4, 1951 - June 30, 2026



Saturday July 11, 2026

Visitation: 10:00 am - Funeral Service: 11:00 am

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Pastor Nick Burnett, Officiating

Obituary

Francesa Maria “Dula” Standifer was born on September 4, 1951, in Lynch, Kentucky, and peacefully departed this life on June 30, 2026, at Hospice of Cincinnati.

Dula was born to the late Darthola Peeples Thomas and William Baskin, Sr. (Mildred). She was preceded in death by her parents; her beloved husband, James “Baba” Curt Standifer; her daughters, Sylvon and Sheena; her grandson, Anton Denson, Jr.; her great-grandson, Elijah; and her brother and sister, Derrick and Angelique.

As a young child, Dula and her mother moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, to begin a new chapter in life. Together, they built a family not only through blood but also through lifelong friendships that became family. Those special relationships were dear to her heart and are deeply cherished by all who knew them.

Dula was her mother’s only child. Together with her husband, she built a beautiful legacy rooted in love and family. She leaves to cherish her precious memory her daughter, Shearah “DeeDee”; her son, Ivan “Scottie” (Tamara); bonus daughter, Tracy; and son-in-law, Mike.

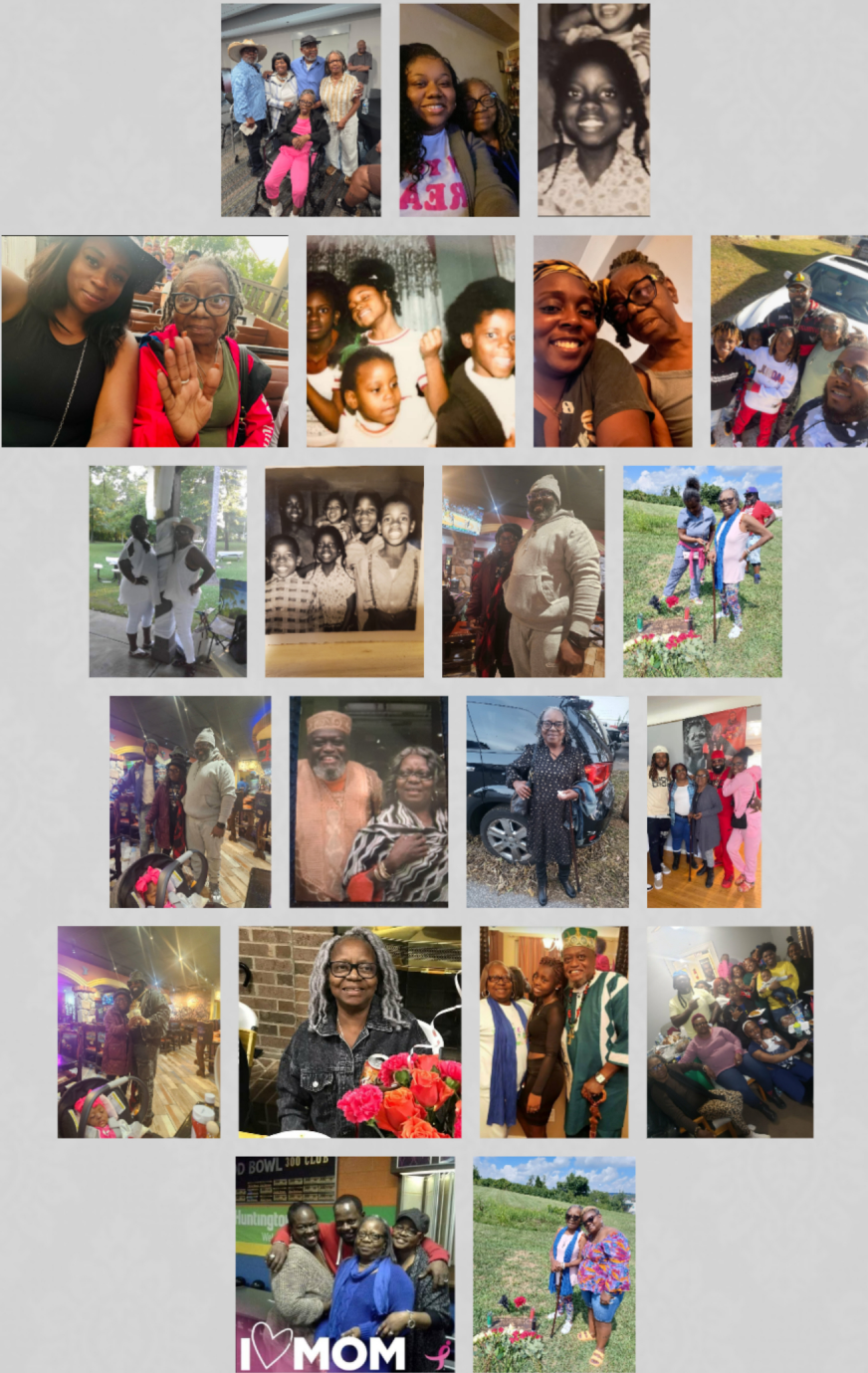
She was blessed with a large and loving family that includes her grandchildren: Fatima (Anthony), Jameel (Arlene), Jelani, Jamila, Khamisi, Tiara, Jamiyah (Deandre), Demarcus (Jessica), Ayanna, Asani, Taliya, Kaylib, Kayden, Kyrie, Tamara, Tamyah, Jada, Roniyah, and Amber; along with 18 great-grandchildren: Hassan, Rodsheen, Ja'Riyah, Demarcus Jr., Ja'Leah, Ja'Hari, Amauri, , Zyon, Deandre Jr., Brandon, Jr., Braylynn, Jamari, Dreyah, Cami, Jream, and Makaius. She also leaves to cherish her memory her siblings, Sheila, Diana, William Jr., Alan, and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family, and dear friends.

At a young age, Dula gave her life to Christ. She faithfully served for many years as a member of New St. Paul Baptist Church before later joining House of Hope, where she continued her walk of faith.

Dula attended several primary schools before graduating from Taft High School in the late 1960s.

Throughout her life, Dula held various jobs, but her greatest joy came from being a home provider and caregiver. She dedicated more than 30 years to childcare, pouring love, wisdom, and compassion into the lives of countless children. She not only cared for her own grandchildren but also embraced many other children as her own, earning the cherished title of “Grandma” from so many whose lives she touched.

In her later years, Dula was diagnosed with dementia. Although the disease presented many challenges, she refused to let it define her. She continued to live with strength, grace, determination, and an unwavering spirit. Small in stature but mighty in faith and resilience, Dula fought courageously until the very end.



Order of Service

Processional	Pastor and Family
Parting View	The Family
Prayer	Uncle Billy Joe Peeples
Scripture	Pastor Nick Burnett
Selection	Aunt Vera Peeples
Poem	Jamila Peeples
Acknowledgements and Remarks	2 Minutes Please
Obituary	Read Silently
Selection	"A Song for Mama" -Boyz II Men
Eulogy	Pastor Nick Burnett
Benediction	Pastor Nick Burnett
Recessional	"Take Me to the King"

Final Resting Place

Vine Street Hill Cemetery

3701 Vine Street - Cincinnati, Ohio 45220