



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Mary Ella Ferguson
(Hammonds)



SUNRISE
October 25, 1940

SUNSET
January 19, 2025

Obituary

Mary Ella Ferguson, 84, of Portland, Oregon, died the 19th of January, 2025. She lived a beautiful, full life. Filled with joy and surrounded by family and friends that loved her dearly. She was born on October 25, 1940 in Chattanooga, Tennessee to Willie Cheeks and Arthur Hammonds. As a child, she relocated to Vanport and eventually settled in Portland. She was married in April of 1967 to Hart Edward Ferguson at the family home at 4324 NE 14th Ave, Portland, Oregon. Together, they shared 9 years of marriage until his passing.

During her time with us, she studied Nursing and obtained Bachelor of Nursing from Portland State University. Years later, she became a Reading Support Teacher with Portland Public Schools, which she was able to retire from. She was an avid reader, loved to travel and cook. She enjoyed getting together with friends (Carolyn and Brenda) for game nights, attending events at the Elks Lodge, gardening, painting, drawing. What she loved the most was her football. She was also a dedicated member of her church, Mt. Olivet in Portland, Oregon. What Mary loved the most was the color purple – flowers, jewelry, even her home at one point was purple. She loved elephants and had a collection of figurines that were throughout her home. Trunks pointed up for good luck, of course.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Willie & Arthur Hammonds, husband, Hart Ferguson, and her sister in law Junell Faciane.

Her survivors include her daughter – Leesa Ferguson, son – Hart Ferguson, grandchildren – A'Leesia Ferguson-Richey, Shanacie Traxler, and Tobias Ferguson. Great grandchildren – Zy'nelle Ferguson, Lamont Ferguson, D'Angelo Ferguson, Tacari Ferguson, and Navaea Ferguson, Christian Charles Traxler Jr., Kobe Kenzo Traxler, and Marley Rae Traxler. As well as Great nephews – Julian Faciane and Blane Faciane.



Pallbearers

Julien Faciane	Andre Goodlow
Tobias Ferguson	Jamaal Goodlow
Eelaron Matthews	David Larsen

Honorary Pallbearers

Hart Ferguson II	Lamont Ferguson
Zy'nelle Ferguson	Tocari Ferguson
D'Angelo Ferguson	