

23rd Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,

He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul.

He leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;
Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies;
Thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD forever.



Pallbearers

Menelik Inman

Joshua Pickett

Micah Inman

Caiah Inman

John Pickett IV

Devyn Walker

Jason Gilyard

Ras-Haile Inman

Kenneth Gilyard Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

John Pickett III

Kenneth Gilyard Sr.

Charles McWhorter

Anthony Walker Jr.

Flower Bearers

Grand daughters & Nieces

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 Joyce Jean Walker



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In Loving **MEMORY**



Joyce Jean Walker

July 6, 1941 - March 2, 2026

March 21, 2026

Visitation: 9:30 am - Funeral Service: 11:00 am

Corinthian Baptist Church

1920 Tennessee Avenue | Cincinnati, Ohio 45237

Rev. Kazava Smith, Officiating

Obituary

Loving. God-fearing. Caring. Generous. Beautiful. All words that describe the late and great Joyce Jean Walker. But even those words hardly capture the woman she truly was.

Joyce Walker did not just leave behind memories, but she left behind a legacy of love, strength, and wisdom that will last a lifetime.

On March 2, 2026, our family said goodbye to our matriarch, our glue, the woman who held us together and meant everything to us.

Born on July 6, 1941, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Joyce Jean Walker built a life rooted in faith. Known for her legendary two-step, she definitely knew how to get down. Joyce knew every line dance, and that's truly not an exaggeration. Very rarely would you see her sitting still anywhere, unless she was watching her "soaps." And even then, she was usually still up, moving around, helping someone.

Joyce was known for always being there, no matter how big or small the issue was. If you knew Joyce, then you knew a woman of faith. Now she wasn't tech-savvy at all, but that never stopped her from making sure people knew the Word. She would faithfully write out Bible verses and send them to her family and even her family's friends, just to make sure they knew God.

She was never a worrisome woman, always trusting that God would see her through. And the lady could talk! And once you got her started, she wouldn't stop. But in those conversations, there were always laughs, love, and lessons. She had a beautiful spirit to match her beautiful appearance: long red nails, soft hair, a bright smile, and ears that were always ready to listen.

Joyce loved her family deeply and lived her life full of faith and devotion to God. Joyce leaves behind her children, Antonia Gilyard (Kenneth), Darlene McWhorter (Charles), Anthony Walker Jr. (Catherine), Orlandia Lynn, DeAnna Pickett (John), along with a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family members, and loved ones who will continue to cherish her memory.

She is reunited in eternal rest with her husband, Anthony Walker Sr., her parents, Bernice and Ray Isham, her siblings, Betty Isham, Ramona Isham, Raymond Isham, Caroline Brown, Donald Brown, and Richard Hayes, and her granddaughter Courtney Gilyard.

Like one of her favorite artists once said, "That woman is a wonder." And Joyce Jean Walker truly was. Beautiful inside and out, she carried herself with grace, strength, and unwavering faith. A woman who accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and lived her life trusting that God would see her through.

Though our hearts are heavy, we find comfort knowing that the same faith she lived by has now welcomed her home. Her love, her wisdom, her laughter, and the lessons she shared will live on through every life she touched.

Joyce Jean Walker will forever be loved, forever be remembered, and forever be missed.



*Life is not measured
by the number of breaths
we take, but by the
moments that
take our breath away.*

- Unknown

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Parting View Immediate Family

Prayer Kenneth Gilyard Jr.

Scripture Yah-Ner Walker

Selection Tessa Walker-Scott

Acknowledgements Joy Pickett

Remarks 2 Minutes Please

Obituary Read Silently

Selection Tessa Walker-Scott

Eulogy Darlene McWhorter

Benediction Rev. Kazava Smith

Recessional Clergy, Family & Friends
"Going up Yonder."



Final Resting Place

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

Repast

Greater St. John AME Zion Church
772 Whittier Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45229