

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 & mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house

of the LORD *forever.*

- Psalm 23



Repast

5:30 pm

The Westside Venue

3721 Harrison Avenue, Cheviot, Ohio 45211

Acknowledgments

Thank you for all the calls, prayers, text messages, cards, and flowers. The family greatly appreciates everyone Jessie came in contact with. The family of Jessie Mae appreciates everything. Keep the prayers coming.

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of*



Jessie Mae Railey

August 21, 1936 - June 28, 2025

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Visitation: 2:00 pm

Funeral Service: 3:00 pm

Walker - Mt. Healthy Chapel

7272 Hamilton Avenue

Mt. Healthy, Ohio 45231

Reverend Rick L. Hardy, Officiating

Obituary

Jessie Mae, as her mom, sisters, and close family members would say, was born to Jesse and Cassie Hooker in Apex, North Carolina on August 21, 1936.

Jessie was raised in Portsmouth, Virginia, where she attended and graduated from I.C. Norcom High School. She attended Norcum night for nursing. She graduated and became a handmaiden of physicians, providing postmortem care.

Jessie met and married the late James William Railey, Sr., while serving in the Navy. They moved to Cincinnati, where Jessie "Mae" continued her family life and worked at Winton Hills Medical Center in the records and billing department. She also worked as a cook for the Cincinnati Public Schools system and retired. For years, the kids called her "Lunchroom Granny". She loved her school kids.

Jessie's first love was giving of her talent to her Heavenly Father. She attended Mother of Christ Catholic Church every Sunday with her children. Later in life, she attended Second Corinthians Baptist Church, where she was the church clerk and sang in the choir. Whenever something was going on in the church, she was always there to lend a helping hand. She worked as a senior companion and belonged to a women's group called Modnalistics, which traveled to various places for a good cause.

Jessie had one sister, Annie Marie, who was also her close friend as they grew older, that was her all; as well as a dear brother-in-law, Walter B. Hill, Sr.

Jessie and James were blessed with nine children: Faith Railey, Pamela Short (William), Donna Railey, James Railey Jr., Darryl Railey (Marlo), David Railey, Marcia Allen, Anthony Johnson, and Cordell Mootrey. She was preceded in death by three of her children: Pamela, Donna, and Darryl.

In her leisure time, Jessie Mae cherished every moment spent with family. She loved cheering for her favorite football team, the Cincinnati Bengals, and enjoyed singing, dancing, traveling by train, attending Gospel conventions hosted by the late Lloyd Butler, shopping, and getting her hair done. Her favorite color was red—a color as vibrant as her spirit.

Jessie Mae never met a stranger. She had a heart full of love for everyone she encountered. Her grandchildren were her pride and joy, and three generations of her family were deeply loved by her.

To the world, she was a mother.
To her family, she was the world.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Soft Music
Parting View	Family
Scripture	Rev. Rick L. Hardy
Selection	"April Showers" Anthony Johnson
Prayer	Rev. Rick L. Hardy
Poem Reading	Kevin Short
Remarks	Minister Larenda Jackson
Obituary	Read Silently <i>A time to reflect and thank God for the life of Jessie Mae Railey</i>
Recorded Selection	"Comforter" CeCe Winans
Eulogy	Rev. Rick L. Hardy
Benediction	Rev. Rick L. Hardy
Recessional	Clergy, Pallbearers, & Family



Pallbearers

Demetez Railey, Sr.	Cordero Jackson
Demetrius Railey	Darrell Blankumsee, Jr.
LaDon McPhason	Jahmel Railey
Eamond Railey	Derrick Johnson

Honorary Pallbearers

James Christopher, III	David Railey
James Boggs	James Railey
Javontae Dudley	Darnile Lewis, Jr.
James Christopher	Dajuan Williams

Flower Bearers

Londyn Dudley	Domonique Railey
Tazaria Railey	Ronisha Railey
Cheray Bohannon	Darnisha Lewis
Nyaisha Bohannon	Veranique Railey
MyKayla Carter	Iyonna Railey