

# PALLBEARERS

ANDRE TURNAGE  
ARDELL BARKELY  
BRANDON MOORE

DONTE TURNAGE  
CLYDE ROBINSON IV  
BRANDON WHITTLE

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

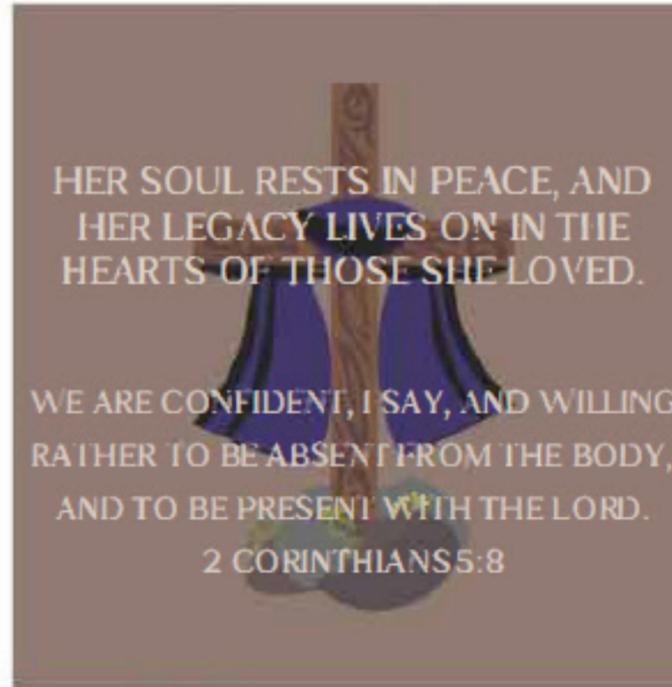
THE FAMILY OF MELVINA TURNAGE EXTENDS THEIR DEEPEST GRATITUDE TO ALL WHO HAVE SURROUNDED US WITH LOVE, PRAYER, AND PRESENCE DURING THIS TIME OF REMEMBRANCE. YOUR KINDNESS HAS BEEN A BALM TO OUR HEARTS AND A REFLECTION OF GOD'S COMFORT.

WE ARE ESPECIALLY THANKFUL FOR THE CAREGIVERS, FRIENDS, AND FAMILY WHO WALKED ALONGSIDE MELVINA WITH COMPASSION AND GRACE. YOUR SUPPORT HAS REMINDED US OF THE PROMISE IN ISAIAH 46:4:

*"EVEN TO YOUR OLD AGE AND GRAY HAIRS I AM IHE, I AM HE WHO WILL SUSTAIN YOU. I HAVE MADE YOU AND I WILL CARRY YOU; I WILL SUSTAIN YOU AND I WILL RESCUE YOU."*

WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL TO THE EVANSTON BULLDOGS YOUTH SPORTS LEAGUE FOR YOUR COMPASSIONATE CARE AND ATTENTION TO EVERY DETAIL OF THE REPASS SERVICES FOR OUR MOTHER. YOUR SUPPORT BROUGHT COMFORT DURING A DIFFICULT TIME, AND WE WILL NEVER FORGET YOUR GRACIOUSNESS.

THOUGH OUR HEARTS GRIEVE, WE REJOICE IN THE HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE AND THE LEGACY OF LOVE SHE LEAVES BEHIND. MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU FOR EVERY ACT OF KINDNESS SHOWN.



REPAST IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICE  
CHRIST TEMPLE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH  
2141 WILLIAMS AVENUE  
CINCINNATI, OH 45212

*We'll remember her  
as a loving mother,  
grandmother, great grandmother  
aunt, sister and friend.*

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND SPIRIT OF

# Melvina TURNAGE

January 28, 1946 - August 28, 2025



Friday, September 12, 2025  
Visitation 10 a.m. - 11 a.m.  
Service 11 a.m.

Walker Funeral Home  
Walnut Hills Chapel  
2625 Gilbert Ave  
Cincinnati OH 45206

# IN MEMORIAM

THE LIFE OF MELVINA WAS A TESTAMENT TO GRACE, RESILIENCE, AND UNWAVERING FAITH. THOUGH WE MOURN HER ABSENCE, WE CELEBRATE THE BEAUTY OF A LIFE WELL LIVED: A LIFE THAT TOUCHED HEARTS, LIFTED SPIRITS, AND REFLECTED THE LOVE OF GOD IN EVERY SEASON.

HER PRESENCE WAS A QUIET BLESSING, HER KINDNESS A STEADY LIGHT. BUT DON'T MISTAKE IT, MELVINA WAS NOT TO BE PLAYED WITH. SHE CARRIED HERSELF WITH A BOLDNESS THAT LET YOU KNOW SHE MEANT WHAT SHE SAID AND SAID WHAT SHE MEANT. THAT SASS, THAT SPARK, THAT SIDE EYE WHEN NEEDED—IT WAS ALL PART OF THE PACKAGE, AND WE LOVED HER ALL THE MORE FOR IT. SHE COULD LIFT A ROOM WITH HER LAUGHTER OR SHUT IT DOWN WITH ONE LOOK, AND SOMEHOW BOTH WERE ACTS OF LOVE.

IN JOY AND SORROW ALIKE, MELVINA'S LEGACY REMINDS US THAT LOVE ENDURES, AND THAT EVEN IN PARTING, THERE IS PEACE. HER MEMORY LIVES ON IN THE STORIES WE TELL, THE LESSONS SHE TAUGHT, AND THE STRENGTH SHE PASSED DOWN. WE HONOR HER NOT ONLY WITH TEARS, BUT WITH LAUGHTER, WITH BOLDNESS, AND WITH THE KIND OF FAITH THAT STANDS FIRM AND SPEAKS TRUTH. JUST LIKE SHE DID.

MELVINA WAS BORN ON JANUARY 28, 1946, IN MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA, TO MELVIN AND LOUVENIA MOORE. SHE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER BELOVED PARENTS, HER HUSBAND WILLIAM TURNAGE, AND HER SIBLINGS—LOIS, JIMMY, ARETHA, BETTY, AND LEE—EACH OF WHOM SHE CHERISHED DEEPLY.

IN 1950, THE MOORE FAMILY MADE THEIR HOME IN CINCINNATI, OH. SHE ATTENDED TAFT HIGH SCHOOL AND SOON AFTER BEGAN A LIFELONG CAREER IN HEALTHCARE, SERVING FAITHFULLY AT GOOD SAMARITAN HOSPITAL FOR OVER 30 YEARS. HER WALK WITH THE MOST HIGH WAS EVIDENT! SHE WAS A LONGTIME MEMBER OF NEW JERUSALEM BAPTIST CHURCH. THURSDAY BIBLE STUDIES WITH HER FAMILY WERE SACRED MOMENTS OF LEARNING, LAUGHTER, AND LOVE. MELVINA LOVED SUDOKU AND JIGSAW PUZZLES—QUIET CHALLENGES THAT KEPT HER MIND SHARP. WHEN IT WAS TIME TO RELAX, YOU'D FIND HER TUNED IN TO LAW & ORDER: SVU.

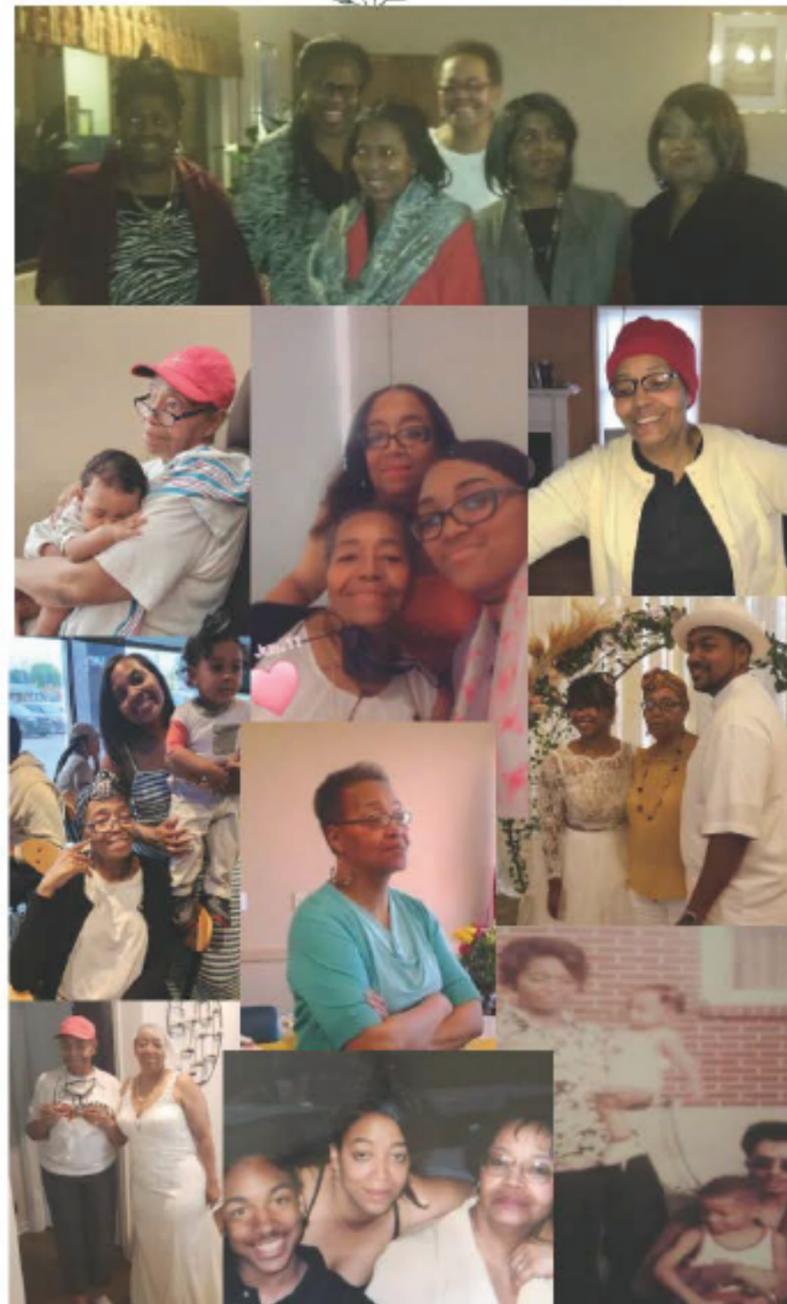
SHE LEAVES BEHIND A LOVING LEGACY THROUGH HER TWO CHILDREN, ANDRE AND NICOLE (ARDELL); HER GRANDCHILDREN, DONTE (TIERRA), RYAN, KEMAYA, AUSTIN, ANDREA, KENNERLY, ADRIENNE, AND KEMIL; AND HER GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, TRISTAN, AMBER, AND KEMILO. MELVINA IS ALSO REMEMBERED BY HER SIBLINGS—FRANK (LINDA), VERNELL, SUSAN, AND CONNIE. AS WELL AS A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, EXTENDED FAMILY, AND DEAR FRIENDS WHO WERE BLESSED BY HER PRESENCE AND HER UNWAVERING LOVE.

*Thank you for all the kind messages and prayers.*

# PSLAM 91:14-16

BECAUSE HE HATH SET HIS LOVE UPON ME,  
THEREFORE WILL I DELIVER HIM: I WILL SET HIM ON  
HIGH, BECAUSE HE HATH KNOWN MY NAME.  
IS HE SHALL CALL UPON ME, AND I WILL ANSWER  
HIM: I WILL BE WITH HIM IN TROUBLE; I WILL  
DELIVER HIM, AND HONOUR HIM.  
16 WITH LONG LIFE WILL I SATISFY HIM, AND SHEW  
HIM MY SALVATION.

## LIFE LEGACY



# ORDER OF SERVICE

## WELCOME

Jennie Wright



## PARTING VIEW



## INVOCATION

Brandon Whittle



## MUSICAL SELECTION

Phillita Kahr Beeks - Blessed Assurance



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Jennie Wright



## MUSICAL SELECTION

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## READING OF THE OBITUARY

Kemaya Molden



## WORD FROM THE FAMILY

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## BENEDICTION

Brandon Whittle



## RECESSIONAL

Trouble Don't Last Always