



Order of Service

Friday, August 28, 2026 – 11:00 AM
Keith D. Biglow Funeral Directors, Inc.
All Faiths Chapel
1414 North Norfolk Avenue - Tulsa, Oklahoma
Pastor Curtis Leland, Officiant, Eulogist
Anchor Fellowship Bible Church

Processional Funeral Directors, Clergy, & Family
Prayer of Assurance Pastor Curtis Leland
Comfort From The Scriptures
Old & New Testament..... Pastor Curtis Leland
Musical Selection London Malveaux
Resolutions & Acknowledgements..... Mania U
Words of Encouragement Mania U
Remarks Please limit 2 minutes
Reflection of Life Tribute
Musical Selection London Malveaux
Eulogy..... Pastor Curtis Leland
Recessional Keith D. Biglow Funeral Directors, Inc.



Acknowledgment

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere appreciation to everyone who has prayed, encouraged, and helped us through this difficult time. Though Willette will be deeply missed the love she gave, the faith she shared, and the memories she created will continue to live on through her family and all whose life she touched. Her life was a blessing, her memory will be treasured and most importantly her love will never be forgotten. Special thanks to Valerie Tillis, Maxine Armstrong, Tyesha Williams, and Luminos Hospice. May the Lord bless and keep each of you in tender Loving Care.

Sincerely,
Willette Gardener Houston Family





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“Concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not...”
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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

October 28, 1956 August 18, 2026



Willette

Gardner
HOUSTON



“Reflection of Her Life”

Willette Gardner Houston

On October 27, 1956, Willie T. Houston and Edna Lee Gardener- Moore welcomed a beautiful baby girl into the world, Willette Gardner Houston. She was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma at Morton Health Center, but she was raised in Buford Colony, OK. From the beginning Willette was surrounded by a loving family who cherished her, including her two sisters Tangerene Gardner and Marsha Galbreath along with her aunts and cousins.

As a young girl, Willette developed a deep love for singing and dancing for the Lord. Her family was active in the choir at Oak Hill Baptist Church, where Willette became the lead singer of the Youth Choir. She was blessed with a special and powerful voice. When she began to sing, those around her could feel the presence of The Holy Spirit. Her gift of singing was one of the many ways she shared her love for God with others.

Willette attended Booker T. Washington High School in Sand Springs, OK. After her mother moved the family to Tulsa, she then attended Tulsa McClain High School.

Willette had a special place in her heart for children. Throughout her life, she worked at several daycare nurseries where children quickly grew to love her. Her caring and nurturing spirit was so genuine that with their parents’ permission some of the children would even come home with her. She had a natural ability to make children feel loved, safe, and cared for.

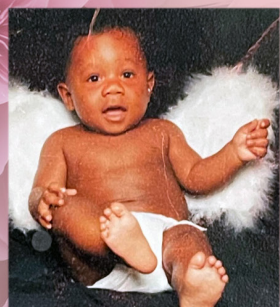
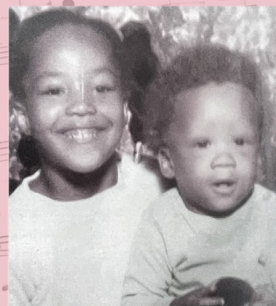
Willette later married Earnest Watson, Sr. and this union was blessed with two beautiful children, Shatawn Gardner and Earnest Watson, Jr. Willette continued life's journey, and in 2006 she married Walter Ray Glover.

Above all else Willette was a woman who loved the Lord. Her faith was an important part of who she was. If you called her, it would not be long before the conversation turned to Jesus, she loved talking about the goodness of God and had little time for nonsense. Her Faith remained strong, and she was never ashamed to share her love for Christ with those around her.

Willette was preceded in death by her mother Edna Gardner Moore, her father Willie T. Houston, and her two brothers Christopher Eli Gardner and Perry Carl Gardner.

Willette leaves to cherish and celebrate her memory: her daughter Shatawn Gardner, her son Earnest Watson, Jr.; her six beloved grandchildren, Demarco (Landon) Asia, Earnest Watson III, Ay’onna, Za’yia, Zariah; one great grandson Denver; and brother Wan U (Mania U) all of Tulsa, OK, Roxannee Williams (Shantee Williams), Sherwin Thomas Houston of Louisville, KY, Micheal Gill (Beth) San Bernardino, CA; her two sisters Tangerene Gardner Fields (Jeremiah Fields) and Marsha Galbreath (Bernard Toles) along with a host of loving aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Willette's Life was filled with faith, family, love, music, and service to others. Her beautiful voice, loving spirit, devotion to children and unwavering love for the Lord will forever remain in the hearts of everyone who knew and loved her.



“A Letter to Mama”

For 50 years, I had the incredible blessing of calling you mama. And although no amount of time could ever have been enough, I am so grateful for every year, every moment, every conversation, every laugh, every lesson, and every moment of love that we shared.

You were an AMAZING mother. You loved me, encouraged me, and helped shape me into the woman I am today. Throughout every season of my life, you were there. Your love was a constant - Something I could always count on. I hope you know just how much your love meant to me and how proud I will always be to be your daughter.

But you were not only an INCREDIBLE mother. You were AMAZING grandmother, and watching you love your grandchildren was another beautiful gift. You gave them the kind of love and memories that will stay in their hearts forever. Your presence in our family was something truly special, and there will always be a place that only you could fill.

You were also a beautiful friend. You had a way of touching people’s lives and making them feel loved, welcomed, and appreciated. The love that so many people have shown for you is a reminder of just how many lives you have impacted. You were loved, valued, and appreciated by more people than you probably ever realized. That says so much about the woman you were.

Losing you has left a space in my heart that words cannot fully describe, thank you for being the mother I needed, the grandmother our family treasured, and the friend so many people were blessed to know.

If I had the opportunity to choose my mother all over again, I would choose you every single time.

I will carry you with me for the rest of my life. I will speak your name, cherish our memories, and continue to honor the beautiful woman you were.

I love you, mama. I miss you more than words could ever say. And until I hear your voice, see your smile, talk to you, or simply have you near me again. I would give anything for one more hug, one more conversation, one more moment to tell you, “Mama I love you”.

But even though I can no longer see you, everything you poured into me remains. Your Love remains. Your Lessons remain, your Strength remains, your Memories remain, and your Legacy lives on through all of us who were blessed to love you. Thank you, Mama, for giving me 50 beautiful years of your love. Thank you.

A Tribute to My Dear Sweet Cousin

By: Lauren Presley

I remember you as a child, you were funny, silly, and wild. As you grew into a teen, the kitchen was where you were seen. You would get that big Betty Crocker cook book and find something you could cook.

We were by your side doing whatever you said, or you would hit us with that big wooden spoon on our head.

You loved singing praises to God, and you were not ashamed. Everybody loved to hear you sing, you could sing anything.

You still had your silly side, but as you got older that changed. You had to let that side go so you could prepare for your wings.

I believe that you got your wings and now you are soaring high in the sky. You are truly missed and that's no lie.

See you later my dear sweet cousin Willette