

MOMMY,

WHAT I WOULD DO TO TALK TO YOU!

YOU ENDURED SO MUCH IN YOUR LIFE. FROM CHILDHOOD TO ADULTHOOD, THINGS WERE NOT EASY FOR YOU. THERE WERE STRUGGLES AND HARDSHIPS THAT COULD HAVE BROKEN YOU — BUT THEY DIDN'T. YOU KEPT GOING. YOU ALWAYS KEPT GOING.

YOU TAUGHT ME WHAT ENDURANCE LOOKS LIKE. YOU TAUGHT ME STRENGTH. YOU TAUGHT ME STABILITY. YOU TAUGHT ME HOW TO CONTINUE WHEN I DON'T WANT TO. EVEN NOW, WHEN EVERYTHING IN ME FEELS HEAVY, I HEAR YOUR EXAMPLE IN MY HEART. YOU SHOWED ME WHAT A "NEVER GIVE UP" MENTALITY TRULY MEANS.

THE STRENGTH I HAVE TODAY IS BECAUSE I WATCHED YOU LIVE IT. YOU DIDN'T JUST TELL ME TO BE STRONG — YOU SHOWED ME HOW.

MOMMY, I MISS YOU SO MUCH. I MISS YOUR VOICE. I MISS YOUR PRESENCE. I MISS KNOWING I COULD CALL YOU AND YOU WOULD ANSWER. I MISS BEING ABLE TO SAY, "MOMMY," AND HEAR YOU RESPOND.

YOU TAUGHT ME SO MANY THINGS IN THIS LIFE... BUT ONE THING YOU DIDN'T GET TO TEACH ME IS HOW TO LIVE WITHOUT YOU. AND RIGHT NOW, THAT FEELS LIKE THE HARDEST LESSON OF ALL.

BUT I PROMISE YOU THIS: I WILL CARRY WHAT YOU GAVE ME. I WILL CARRY YOUR STRENGTH. I WILL CARRY YOUR RESILIENCE. I WILL CARRY YOUR LOVE. AND ON THE DAYS WHEN I FEEL LIKE I CAN'T GO ON, I WILL REMEMBER THAT I AM YOUR DAUGHTER.

I LOVE YOU, MOMMY. I MISS YOU DEARLY.  
AND I WILL KEEP GOING — JUST LIKE YOU TAUGHT ME.

LOVE ALWAYS, YOUR DAUGHTER, DANIELLE



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**MARY L. ANDERS**

JULY 3, 1948 – FEBRUARY 25, 2026

FRIDAY – MARCH 6, 2026

VISITATION: 12:00 PM  
MEMORIAL SERVICE: 1:00 PM

**KINGDOM HALL**  
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# OBITUARY

MARY L. ANDERS, 77, OF COLUMBUS, OHIO, PASSED AWAY ON FEBRUARY 25, 2026.

BORN IN TUSCALOOSA, AL, MARY LIVED A LIFE DEFINED BY DEVOTION, FAITH, AND DEEP LOVE FOR HER FAMILY. SHE WAS MARRIED FOR 32 YEARS TO HER BELOVED HUSBAND, CHESTER "LEON" ANDERS, SR., WHO PRECEDED HER IN DEATH.

MARY WAS A DEVOTED MOTHER TO HER DAUGHTER, DANIELLE (WARREN) BALL. SHE WARMLY WELCOMED HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, TINA ANDERS, INTO THE FAMILY. HER GREATEST JOY WAS HER GRANDCHILDREN: WARREN (DESHAE) BALL, JAZSMIN ANDERS, JAYLEN BALL, CHESTER "TREY" ANDERS III, AND MAYA BALL. SHE WAS ALSO BLESSED WITH ONE GREAT-GRANDCHILD, AH'MIL FREEMAN, WHO BROUGHT HER TREMENDOUS PRIDE AND HAPPINESS.

SHE WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER HUSBAND, CHESTER "LEON" ANDERS SR.; HER SON, CHESTER "CHAD" ANDERS JR.; HER MOTHER, LAURA BRAZILE; HER SISTER, EVELENA WALDEN; AND HER BROTHER, NORMAN "SONNY" TUBBS.

MARY'S INTEREST IN THE BIBLE STARTED IN 1970 AND SHE WAS BAPTIZED AS ONE OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES ON JUNE 12, 1971.

MARY WAS A DEVOTED JEHOVAH'S WITNESS AND FAITHFULLY SERVED AS A PIONEER, DEDICATING HER LIFE TO HER MINISTRY AND SHARING HER FAITH WITH OTHERS. HER LOVE FOR JEHOVAH GUIDED HER LIFE AND WAS EVIDENT IN HER KINDNESS, STRENGTH, AND UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO HER BELIEFS. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL CONGREGATION.

SHE LEAVES BEHIND A HOST OF LOVING NIECES, NEPHEWS, EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS, AND DEAR FRIENDS WHOSE LIVES WERE TOUCHED BY HER KINDNESS AND FAITH. AMONG THOSE SHE HELD ESPECIALLY CLOSE WERE SHERIDAN AMOS, ROSE BURDEN, ESSIE BAKER, AND TONYA DUNN.

MARY WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER GENTLE SPIRIT, HER STEADY STRENGTH, AND THE UNCONDITIONAL LOVE SHE GAVE SO FREELY. THOUGH SHE IS NO LONGER WITH US PHYSICALLY, HER LEGACY OF FAITH, LOVE, AND RESILIENCE WILL LIVE ON THROUGH THE GENERATIONS SHE NURTURED AND THE MANY LIVES SHE TOUCHED.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

OPENING WORDS/PRAYER.....JOHN RILEY

OBITUARY.....JOHN RILEY

## MEMORIAL TALK AND WORDS FROM THE FAMILY MENTHORN WILLIAMS

SONG 140....."LIFE WITHOUT END AT LAST"

CLOSING PRAYER.....MENTHORN WILLIAMS

FAVORITE SCRIPTURE  
REVELATION 21: 3,4

## INTERMENT

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## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

WE SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR THE LOVE, PRAYERS, AND SUPPORT YOU'VE SHOWN OUR FAMILY. YOUR KINDNESS HAS MEANT MORE TO US THAN WORDS CAN EXPRESS AS WE REMEMBER OUR BELOVED MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER.

WITH HEARTFELT THANKS,  
THE FAMILY

"LOVE LEAVES A MEMORY NO ONE CAN STEAL."

"GONE FROM OUR SIGHT, BUT NEVER FROM OUR HEARTS."

"A LIFE WELL LIVED LEAVES A LEGACY OF LOVE."