

"If Tears Could Build A Stairway"

Mom, if tears could build a stairway,

and memories a lane

I would walk right up to heaven

And bring you back again.

No farewell words were spoken.

No time to say, Goodbye

You were gone before we knew it,

and only God knows why.

My heart still aches with sadness

and secret tears still flow

What it meant to lose you,

No one will ever know

But now I know you want me,

To mourn for you no more.

But remember all the happy times

And life still much to store.

Since you'll never be forgotten,

and I know you're at peace today,

I've reserved a special place in my heart

Where our memories will always stay.

Love your Children

William, Arlene and Angela



In Cherished Memory of



Earlene Coker

February 29, 1936 - December 19, 2024



December 28, 2024

Visitation: 10:00 am - Funeral Service: 11:00 am

Crossroads Community Church Oakley

3500 Madison Road | Cincinnati, Ohio 45209

Pastor Everette Greene, Officiating

Pallbearers

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| Karlos Brown | Robert Coker |
| William Coker | Gregory Harrison Jr. |
| Zy'Renzo Lewis | Martin Rutland |
| Rayshawn Rutland | Cortes Webster |

Honorary Pallbearers

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| Glen Gilliam | Kardell Brown |
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Acknowledgements

The family of Earlene Coker acknowledges with sincere gratitude, your presence today. We wish to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and a special thank you to Crossroads Church.



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Obituary

Earlene Coker, loving wife of the late William Coker Jr. and daughter of the late Samuel Burson and the late Leola Jefferson, Earlene Coker was born on February 29, 1936, in Birmingham, Alabama, and departed this life on Thursday, December 19, 2024, at Blue Ash Hospice in Cincinnati, Ohio, at the age of 88.

Before her retirement, she worked for Kenner Toys and the Husman Potato Chips Company as an assembly line worker for a total of 30 years.

Earlene was diagnosed with COPD. Not giving up, she fought this battle and endured many storms, growing stronger with each obstacle.

Earlene was a strong, loving, and kind-hearted person. She was an excellent cook and was always willing to feed anyone. Most of all, she loved her family. She was the best mom, grandmother, great-grandmother, and great-great-grandmother in the world. We were blessed to have her in our lives, and she always wanted the best for her family.

She leaves to cherish her memory and celebrate her life: Children: William (Deborah), Arlene (Karl), and Angela Grandchildren: Dionne, Nakia, Robert, Karlos, Martin (Tiffany), Tamara, Kardell, Hillary, and Heather. Great-Grandchildren: Rayshawn, Ge'Aynna, Ronnie, Gregory, Alliyah, Cortes, Kyron, Saniyyah, Zy'Renzo, Christopher, Symphi'nee, Dion, Zavion, Bella, Dynasty, Ava, Zack, and Ian. Great-Great-Grandchildren: Jaire and Juel

She is also survived by a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.



I'd like the memory of me
 To be a happy one,
 I'd like to leave
 an afterglow of
smiles
 when life is done.
 I'd like to leave an echo
 Whispering softly down the ways,
 Of happy times and laughing times
And bright & sunny days.
 I'd like the tears of those who grieve,
 To dry before the sun
 Of *happy memories*
 that I leave behind
 When life is done.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude	
Parting View	Immediate Family
Prayer	Pastor Everette Greene
Scripture	Psalms 23
Selection	Pastor Todd O'Neal "Precious Lord"
Acknowledgements	Hope Coker Dean
Remarks	William Coker III, Dionne Ramsey, Nakia & Martin Rutland, Rayshawn Rutland & Ge'Aynna Harrison
Obituary	Read Silently
Selection	Pastor Todd O'Neal "My Eye is on the Sparrow"
Eulogy	Pastor Everette Greene
Benediction	Pastor Everette Greene
Recessional	Clergy, Family & Friends



Final Resting Place

Walnut Hills Cemetery
 3117 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Repast

Crossroads Community Church Oakley
 3500 Madison Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45209