

In Loving Memory



Jeanne L. Tate-Whitley

AUGUST 19, 1951 – JANUARY 2, 2025

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11, 2025

WAKE: 10:00 AM – FUNERAL: 10:30 AM

WATSON'S FUNERAL HOME

10913 SUPERIOR AVE – CLEVELAND, OHIO 44106

Order of Service

Musical Prelude
Processional.....The Family
Family Visitation..... 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Scripture..... Rev. Deacon Hardin Martin, Our Lady of Fatima
 OLD TESTAMENT PSALM 23
 NEW TESTAMENT JOHN 14:1-4
Prayer..... Pulpit
Musical Selection..... Timothy Halton
 “GOIN’ UP YONDER”
Remarks PLEASE LIMIT TO 2 MINUTES
Resolutions..... Nettie McDermott
 Suzanne Turner
Obituary Reading
Musical Selection..... Timothy Halton
 “I WONT COMPLAIN”
Eulogy..... Rev. Deacon Hardin Martin
Recessional..... Family & Friends

INTERMENT

Cleveland Memorial Gardens
4324 Green Rd – Cleveland, OH 44128

PALLBEARERS

Ray Whitley	Lester Worley	Michael Tate
Michael Tate Jr	Kenyatta Tate	
Sidney Ervin	Antonio Morison	Tommy Edwards
Samuel Tate Jr	Amon Brantley	

REPAST

THE OASIS FROM 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM
216 EVENT CENTER– CLEVELAND, OH 44110









Obituary

Jeanne L. Tate-Whitley was born August 19, 1951, in Sandusky, Ohio to Charles and Rebecca Tate. She passed away unexpectedly at her home on January 2, 2025, at the age of 73.

Jeanne was a product of Cleveland Public Schools. She graduated from East High School in 1970 and later attended Cuyahoga Community College "Tri-C" and Cleveland State majoring in Criminal Law. She first employment was with Navy Finance then the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission EEOC. She briefly worked for the city of Cleveland as a Corrections Officer and then as a Secretary to the Commissioner of Building and Housing in Cleveland. Her final place of employment was with AmericorpVista (UMADAOP).

At a young age Jeanne made a decision for Christ. She was baptized in 1983 at Philemon Community Baptist Church in Cleveland, OH. She attended churches in the Greater Cleveland area settling on St. Agnes Our Lady of Fatima.

In the early 70's she gave birth to her first sons Michael Tate and Samuel Tate. Later she joined in matrimony with Alvin Whitley and to their union was born another son ...Ray Ray". Together they raised the three boys and Jeanne was loved and respected by many a dedicated wife and mother.

She was involved in her community as a member of the National Federation of the Blind, Cleveland Chapter (NFB), and a member of the Fun Club 24-7, as well as the Senior Club at St. Augusta Roman Catholic Church.

Jeanne enjoyed fishing and camping with her family, playing BINGO and eating at Red Lobster. She loved going to the casino with her friend of 40 years Evelyn Morison Eaddie. A diehard Pittsburgh Steelers fan, she loved to host watch parties at her home with friends and family. She was known for her beautiful voice and often danced around the house singing old school songs - her favorite of which was ...Mr. Postman" by The Marvelettes. Jeanne liked to travel as well and often flew to Florida to visit her niece Tachara, with whom was very close.

Jeanne was like a ray of sunshine to all who knew her. Her door was always open, and she always welcomed with open arms those who lived in the neighborhood. She was so beloved by her neighbors, that she was given the nickname ...Momma Jeanne".

She was preceded in death by her parents; son Samuel ...Nell" Tate; sister Corazette Tate; brothers Michael Tate, Richard Tate, Steven Tate and Leonard Tate.

She leaves to cherish her memory, sons Michael Tate and ...Ray Ray" (Lakia) Whitley; sister Rita Stanton; brother Rocco (Norma) Stanton, a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and extended family; as well as dozens of special neighbors and friends.

Jeanne will be greatly missed and remembered fondly by all whose life she touched.

*Lovingly Submitted,
The Family*

To My Sons

I closed my eyes for but a moment, and suddenly,

a man stood where my boys used to be.

I may not be able to carry you now in my arms,

but I will always carry you in my heart.

You have given me so many reasons

to be proud of the men you have become,

but the proudest moment for me

is telling others that you are my sons.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE FAMILY DEEPLY APPRECIATES YOUR KIND EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY IN
OUR TIME OF GREAT SORROW. THANK YOU FOR KEEPING US IN YOUR
THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

Services of Comfort entrusted to:

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