

Remembering the Life of

Acknowledgement

THE FAMILY OF EMMA CELESTE MIDDLEBROOKS WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE WITH DEEP APPRECIATION THE MANY EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE, KINDNESS, AND SUPPORT SHOWN TO US DURING THIS HOUR OF BEREAVEMENT. THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND COMFORT. IT IS IMMENSELY APPRECIATED!

EMMA CELESTE
MIDDLEBROOKS

JANUARY 22, 1945 – JANUARY 2, 2026

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SUNDAY – JANUARY 18, 2026
MEMORIAL SERVICE: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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TO MY *Son*

AS YOUR MOTHER,
I PROMISE YOU THAT
I WILL ALWAYS BE IN
ONE OF THREE PLACES:

IN FRONT OF YOU
TO CHEER YOU ON

BEHIND YOU,
TO HAVE YOUR BACK

OR NEXT TO YOU
SO YOU'RE NEVER ALONE

Love,

Mom

Obituary

EMMA CELESTE MIDDLEBROOKS, BORN ON JANUARY 22, 1945, IN WEST VIRGINIA, TRANSITIONED TO HER ETERNAL REST ON JANUARY 2, 2026.

A BELOVED MOTHER AND CHERISHED FRIEND, EMMA'S WARMTH AND SPIRIT TOUCHED THE LIVES OF ALL WHO KNEW HER. EMMA DEDICATED HER PROFESSIONAL LIFE AS A NURSE AIDE, PROVIDING COMPASSIONATE CARE TO THOSE IN NEED. HER NURTURING NATURE EXTENDED BEYOND HER VOCATION,

AS SHE LOVED TO GATHER WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, SHARING LAUGHTER AND STORIES. EMMA FOUND JOY IN PLAYING POKENO AND EXPLORING HER PASSION FOR SHOPPING, ALWAYS WITH A SMILE THAT LIT UP ANY ROOM.

EMMA WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER MOTHER: GLADYS BIGGERS; HUSBAND: LAWRENCE MIDDLEBROOK; SON: FREDERICK GRAY JR.; BROTHER: DONNIE BIGGERS AND GRANDSON: CHAD GRAY.

SHE LEAVES BEHIND HER DEVOTED SON: STEVE GRAY AND *HIS FATHER*: FREDERICK GRAY SR.; *GRANDCHILDREN*: ZACHARY, JACOB, DONOVAN, DOMIANO, DESHAWN AND TRINITY; *SISTERS*: KAREN AND YVONNE; *BROTHER*: ROBERT "JUNIOR" AND A HOST OF GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN, *NIECES*, *NEPHEWS*, AND *FRIENDS*, WHO WILL CARRY FORWARD HER LEGACY OF LOVE AND KINDNESS.

EMMA'S MEMORY WILL FOREVER BE A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION AND JOY TO THOSE WHO LOVED HER.

