

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Jeri "MUFFIE"
Branch

APRIL 20, 1966 - SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

OCTOBER 24TH, 2025 | 10:30AM

St. Paul Church

6419 Marlboro Pike
District Heights MD, 20747

Aaron Eaton, Eulogist
Pastor Melvin Witcher Sr., Officiant

Re-pass: St Margaret of Scotland
408 Addison Rd, Capitol Heights, MD 20743
1pm to 4pm

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Geri

A LIFE REMEMBERED

Geri Yvette Branch was born on April 20, 1966, at Providence Hospital in Washington, D.C. She was the firstborn to Jerry and Darlene Branch. In the early morning hours of September 23, 2025, Geri peacefully departed this world and entered eternal rest.

Geri attended D.C. Public Schools—John Eaton Elementary, Alice Deal Junior High, and Woodrow Wilson Senior High School (now Jackson-Reed). She loved her high school days and was a proud Tiger Cheerleader. Years after graduation, she returned to her alma mater, joyfully participating in Homecoming festivities and rejoining her fellow cheer sisters on the Alumni Cheer Squad.



After graduation, Geri took classes at the University of the District of Columbia. Soon after, her passion for beauty led her to Scanners International Beauty Academy in Washington, D.C., where she sharpened her natural gift for hairstyling. She later worked alongside her parents at the Defense Mapping Agency (now NGA) in Bethesda, MD, and continued her career as a Federal Government Contractor with Chugach, later retiring from Culmen International.



Geri was baptized at an early age at St. Philip's Baptist Church in Washington, D.C., where she joyfully sang in the youth choir with her cousins and attended service each Sunday alongside her beloved grandfather, Sherman Branch, and her sisters, Daminique and Peggy. Her faith was the foundation of who she was—she embodied the biblical virtues of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Her prayers were powerful, her love sincere, and her compassion limitless.

Beyond her faith and family, Geri was adventurous and full of life. Through her travel business, Pink Sugar Events, she turned passion into purpose—helping others create beautiful memories through travel. Whether on family vacations, girls' trips, or spontaneous getaways, she found joy in every journey. Though a proud D.C. native, she cherished summers in Culpeper, surrounded by cousins and extended family—the laughter and love from those country days remained forever close to her heart.

Geri's pride and joy were her three daughters—Taiysha, Tanéa, and Taaron—and her three precious granddaughters—Dillan, Lund'n, and Dallys—who affectionately called her "GG." She adored her family endlessly and found pure joy in watching them grow. For those who knew her, they knew she was also the biggest Washington Commanders fan—always cheering with pride and excitement.

She leaves behind a legacy of love through her daughters, granddaughters, and her beloved grandpup, Meek. She is also survived by her devoted Father, Jerry Branch; loving sisters, Daminique Branch and Peggy Branch-McCaskill; brother and sister-in-love, David and Tahicuuha McCaskill; and cherished niece and nephew, Taiylor and Makio.

Though she is no longer with us in body, Geri's light, laughter, and love will forever live in the hearts of all who knew her. She had a heart of gold and touched many lives—a true blessing to her family, extended family, and friends.

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Service

Friday, October 24, 2025
Visitation of Urn: 10:30
Celebration of Life 11:00 am

Welcome and Prayer.....Pastor Melvin Witcher Sr.

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament..... Shelly
Psalm 23

New Testament.....TT
John 11: 25-26

Musical Tribute.....Little David Baptist Church Praise Team

Dance Tribute.....Phoenix Smith

Reading of Obituary.....Silent Reading

Reading of the cards.....Larry White

Reflections:

Special Tribute - Wilson Tiger Alumni Cheer
To our GG- Grandchildren
Poem - Tanéa
Tribute - Taaron

Eulogy..... Aaron Eaton

Benediction.....Pastor Melvin Witcher . Sr

Musical Tribute.....Little David Baptist Church Praise Team

Recessional

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TRIBUTES

TO OUR DAUGHTER



To our daughter, our firstborn, our "Muffie" Thank you for 59 beautiful years of love, laughter, and unforgettable memories. You made us parents first, and that alone has been one of life's greatest blessings. From your first breath to your final one, you filled our hearts with pride and joy. You will forever be our little girl, our sunshine, and our reason to smile through the tears. We love you always and carry you with us in everything we do.

- Mommy & Daddy

TO OUR BIG SISTER



The world is different now. There is a massive hole, where you used to be. Our hearts are truly broken. We miss your presence, your voice, and most of all, your LOVE. There hasn't been a day gone by that we don't think of you, talk to you and smile through the tears. We have definitely been giving you updates on your beloved football team, The Washington Commanders. It helps to think you can hear us. The truth is, you're everywhere we look - in the quiet moments, in the silly things that make us smile, and in the strength, we are both finding even when we think we have none left. Losing you has left a hole that can never be filled, but the love you gave us is a beautiful anchor. It keeps us steady.



We look back at the years we had, clinging to every memory - the silly fights, the shared secrets, the times you were our fearless defender, and all the comfort that came with just knowing you were there. Being your little sisters and best friends was one of the greatest gifts of life.

It's going to be tough trying to figure out how to move forward without you being just a phone call or a hug away. The pain of missing you is heavy, but we hold onto one truth - the love that the three of us shared is not broken. It lives inside each of us, woven into the very persons we are. We will carry your memory, your strength, and your love with us, ALWAYS.

Thank you for being our big sister, confidante, and our first and best friend. Thank you for the memories that are now our treasures. And please don't worry, we will ALWAYS be here for your girls.

Until we meet again, WE LOVE and MISS YOU more than words can say.

With all our love, FOREVER,

Nikki and Peggy

T R I B U T E S

Forever our Mommy



Mommy, words could never capture the depth of our love for you or the pain of losing you. You were our first home, our safe place, and the one person who loved us without conditions. Through every struggle, every lesson, and every joy, you were there teaching us strength when life felt heavy, teaching us grace when we felt unworthy, and teaching us love in its purest form.



You were more than our mother, you were our sunshine, our laughter, and our comfort. You showed us how to stand tall, even when life tried to break us, and how to keep faith alive even in the darkest of nights. We will miss your voice, your hugs, and the way you could make everything feel okay with just your presence.



Though our hearts are broken, we know your spirit lives on in us. In every smile we share, in every prayer we whisper, and in every dream we chase, you will be there.

Mommy, we promise to carry your light forward, to love as you loved, and to never let your legacy fade.

Forever your girls. Forever your daughters.
We love you endlessly.

-Tai , Néa , Nu ♥

T R I B U T E S

There's No GG like our GG

Our Precious GG,
you were our gentle song,
The one who loved us all along.
With every smile and every prayer,
You showed us just how much you care.

You held our hands through ups and
downs,
You lifted us when we wore frowns.
Your laughter was a light so true,
It warmed our hearts and carried us
through.

Though heaven called, we feel you near,
Your voice still whispers soft and clear.
In dreams, in skies, in stars above,
We'll always feel your endless love.

We'll tell the world how kind you were,
How strong, how sweet, how full of care.
Your love's a gift we'll never lose,
A legacy we gladly choose.

So rest, dear GG, safe and free,
Your spirit lives in all we'll be.
And every step, in all we do,
We'll honor life and carry you.

- Dillan, Lund'n, Dallys



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Forever her Peanut



I say goodbye to someone who was so much more than just my aunt, you were my second heart, my biggest cheerleader, and one of the brightest lights in my life - my Gerda. You had a way of lighting up a room with your smile and making everyone feel like they belonged. Your laugh - so full of joy and life - is a sound I'll carry with me always.

It was contagious, comforting, and pure Gerda.

You had a special nickname for me - your peanut. And that wasn't just a name, it was a bond. One that made me feel safe, loved, and truly seen. I'll always be your peanut, and that's forever.



Losing you leaves an emptiness that words can't fully express, but I'm so grateful for every memory, every hug, and every moment we shared. Your love was simple, honest, and endless - and that's the love I will carry with me for the rest of my life.

Rest easy, Gerda. I miss you and love you so much.

With all my love,
Your Peanut ♥

“Love you Aunt Geri”



To my dear Aunt, your laugh's and jokes will be missed. The banter and back n' forth we had will always be ingrained in my head. From all the times that I would randomly come up to you and ask for food, to the hugs and kisses you gave to me. I will always love you and you'll forever be with me. It's never goodbye, just see you later.

Always - Mook ♥



Remembrance



Of Life



*From our
Heavenly Father*



Isaiah 41:10

“Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.”



Philippians 4:7

“And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”



Revelation 21:4

“He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

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Psalm 23:4

“Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.”



Deuteronomy 31:8

“The Lord Himself goes before you and will be with you; He will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”



Psalm 30:5

“Weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.”

Acknowledgements



"A Mother's Love"



You left us beautiful memories,
Your love is still our guide,
Though we cannot see you,
You're always by our side.
Your light still shines within us,
So gentle, pure, and true—
And though we miss you deeply,
Our hearts still carry you.

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude to Inova Fairfax Hospital and Mary Washington Hospital for their exceptional care, compassion, and professionalism during our time of need. Your dedication and kindness brought us comfort and strength when we needed it most.

To our friends and family, thank you for giving from your hearts — through your prayers, calls, visits, and unwavering support. Your love has carried us through this difficult season and reminded us that we are never alone.

A special thank you to St. Paul, Little David Baptist Church and Praise team for their beautiful memorial and musical coordination.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for standing with us.

With heartfelt appreciation,
The Branch Family

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