



Forever In Our Hearts

Message of Gratitude

We would like to thank all of our family and friends who have supported and helped us during this time of bereavement. The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the comforting messages, food, floral tributes, prayers and many other acts of kindness and concern.

The Family of Mary Marie Mapps Sanders

Active Pallbearers

Donnie Medford
Darrell Medford
Kendrick Clayton
Jerrick Ervin

Chris Kenney
Timothy Medford
Jawayne Mills
Jory Caldwell

Honorary Pallbearers

Willie C. Hunt
Wille C. Clayton
Alan Medford
Everett Medford

Stewart Clayton
Barry Conway
Warren Earl Fisher
Matthew Caldwell

Flowers Bearers- Friends and Family

Interment- St. John Cemetery, Steber Grove Kilgore, Texas

Repast- Faith Tabernacle Fellowship Hall



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Celebration Of Life For



Our Gift
August 14, 1949

God's Gift
July 28, 2023

Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies.
-Proverbs 31:10

*Mrs. Mary Marie Mapps
Sanders*

"Aunt Rie"

Services

Saturday, August 5, 2023 @ 11:00 A.M.

Faith Tabernacle O.G.I.C.

Highway 31 E.
Kilgore, Texas 75662

Bishop Talzie Kenney-Pastor
Bishop James Dancy- Eulogist

The Life and Legacy of Mrs. Mary Marie Mapps Sanders

Mary Marie Mapps Sanders was born on August 14, 1949, to the late Mr. M.C. Mapps Sr. and the late Mary Augusta Smith Mapps in Troup, Texas. On Friday, July 28, 2023, Mary departed this life to go home to be with our Heavenly Father.

Mary accepted the Lord at a very young age and was a member of Triumph the Church Kingdom of God in Christ and eventually at Faith Tabernacle of God in Christ where she remained a faithful member until her death.

She was a 1968 graduate of C.B. Dansby High School, Kilgore, Texas. On July 14, 1969, she married her high school sweetheart and soulmate, Willie Otis Sanders, and to this union, two children, Kenya and Jabali were born. Several years later after their children were grown, God blessed them to proud parents again to a beautiful little girl name Jayri'elle. Mary had a love for children and was affectionately known as "Aunt Rie". She was everyone's "go to mom" and was part owner of Luv Center Daycare for almost a decade. After Luv Center shutdown, Mary worked for Kennedy Gourmet and then Borg Warner. Then Mary was blessed with the opportunity to work with her babies while being the infant teacher at Grace Day Care until she retired.

Mary was a wonderful woman of God, and she loved him with all her heart. She was a true ambassador for Christ and everyone she met. She was true prayer warrior, and her words were powerful. She was the listener, counselor, and great friend who never cast judgement. Mary was an excellent cook and was known for her potato salad and pecan pies. Mary was preceded in death by the love of her life, her husband, Willie Otis Sanders, parents M.C. and Mary Mapps, brother L.B. Mapps, sisters Eva Lois Mapps, Lou Emma Mapps Clayton, Beverly Mills, and Linda Sue Anderson, and a mother-in-law Lettie B. Conway.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories, daughter; Kenya Sanders Greer (Daimond) of McKinney, Texas, son; Jabali Sanders (Tiffany) of Carlsbad, New Mexico, special baby; Jayri'elle Sheppard of Kilgore, Texas. Grandchildren: Olivia Sanders of McKinney, Texas; Jordan Guerra (Ashton) of Grand Prairie, Texas; Keenan Sanders of Dallas, Texas; Darah Sanders, Maci Sanders, and Dre'van Sanders of Kilgore, Texas; Tyshona Roberts, Kristian and TaKara Ross of Hobbs, New Mexico, and Tae'Lynn Wickerson of Carlsbad, New Mexico. Great Grandchildren: Major Bledsoe, Jachai Guerra, Anori Sanders, Zyla Hall, Zazie Guerra, Niyah and NaKirin Sisters: Zella Medford, Dorris Ervin (Larry), Neva Caldwell (Richard), Silvia Medford (Shelvie), Patrice Neal all of Kilgore, Texas and Lisa Mapps of Austin, Texas. Brothers: M.C. Mapps (Marsha) and Roddy Mapps of Kilgore, Texas. Sisters-in-law: Dearlynn Conway, Bonnie McGill (Randle), Linda Ware (Jason), Vicky Horton (Curtis) of Crowley, Texas, Christy Belcher (James), Opal Fisher of El Reno, Oklahoma, Mary Hilda Mapps of Houston, Texas. Brother-in-law: John Conway of Kilgore, Texas. Godchildren: Roderick Caldwell and Crystal Caldwell and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Precious Memories



Order of Service

Processional
The Ministers, Pallbearers, & Family
Cunningham Funeral Directors in Charge

Master of Ceremony
Superintendent Mal R. Carr
Prayer Temple Church of God in Christ- Amarillo, TX

Celebration of Praise- Faith Tabernacle Praise Team

Prayer.....Rev. Larry Kenney

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament.....Evangelist Sharon Kenney

New Testament.....Bishop Talzie Kenney

Remarks.....Two Minute Please

Musical Selection.....Rev. Larry Kenney

Resolutions.....Sis. Sheila Mathis

Message of Gratitude.....Sis. Tamara Lilly
Sis. Betty Nolan Green (Dansby Class of 1968)

Musical Selection..... Sis. Bridgette Kenney

Eulogy.....Bishop James Dancy
Greater New Bethel Worship Center- Longview, TX

Final Glimpse.....Cunningham Directors

Recessional