



The LORD is my *Shepherd*;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to
lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my
soul.

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death.

I will fear no evil:
for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies
Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house
of the LORD *forever.*
- Psalm 23



Acknowledgments

On behalf of our entire family, we would like to express
our heartfelt gratitude for the love, support, and
sympathy extended to us during this difficult time.
With deepest appreciation, the Givan Family.

Arrangements Entrusted to:

Nabors Family Funeral Home

Lillie Nabors, L.F.D.E.

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Thornton, Illinois 60476

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*Expect Great Service...
and Receive Greater.*



Queenie
MAE *Givan*

FEBRUARY 20, 1940 - APRIL 3, 2025

Queenie Mae Givan

Queenie Mae Givan, born Myrtis Alberta Wilson on February 20, 1940, in Brookhaven, Mississippi, was the fifth of six children born to Jimmy Sr. and Bernice Wilson. Both parents preceded her in death.

She began her elementary education at Alexander School in Brookhaven, Mississippi. In 1950, at the age of 10, her family relocated to Chicago, Illinois, where she completed her secondary education at Hyde Park High School in 1959.

Following high school, Queenie attended Olive-Harvey College, earning a certification as a Domestic Skills Trainer. During her time there, she met Roy Lee Givan, and they were united in marriage on March 30th, 1961. Their union was blessed with three daughters: Crystal Denise, Tonja Arnita, and Rochelle Lee.

Queenie accepted Christ at an early age and later became a member of True Vine Missionary Baptist Church located at 111th and King Drive in Chicago, Illinois.

Throughout her life, Queenie worked multiple jobs to support her family. She achieved her dream job with the University of Illinois as a Domestic Skills Trainer, serving for over 20 years. She then worked as a bus monitor for special needs children at First Student Bus Company.

She was preceded in death by her five siblings: Jimmy Lee Wilson Jr., Charles Herman Wilson, Elizabeth Louise Murray, Dorothy Jean Wilson, and Marshall Jerome Wilson, and Her grandson, Christopher Sean Ware.

Queenie leaves to cherish her memory her daughters: Crystal Givan of Aurora, Illinois, Tonja (Evert) Leath of Hoover, Alabama, Rochelle (Jason) Hayes of Oswego, Illinois, and her bonus daughter Evette Awai, of Chicago, Illinois. Her grandchildren: Tiana Character, (Jessie Character III), Keith Ware Jr., David Adkins Jr., Michael Adkins, Justin Grant, Kendra (Stetson) Burden, Dasha Patton, Kennedy, and Kannon Hayes. Great-grandchildren: Akeria (Patrick) Powell, Javia and Nichoria Character, Logan Grant, Marshawn Martin, Omari Lindsey, Charte Burden, and Nova Grant. Great-great-grandchildren: Amarae, Nolla, Islah, and Amea, and a host of other relatives, loved ones and friends.

EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE

A Daughter's Love

Though Shadows fall and tears may flow, Your spirit shines, a gentle glow.
Your lessons learned, your love so true. In every heart, a part of you.

Your laughter rings, a sweet refrain, A comfort in this world of pain. Your strength and grace, a guiding star, To light my path, no matter how far.

Though time may pass, and seasons turn, Your love within my soul will burn. A legacy of kindness bright, A beacon in the darkest night.

I'll carry on, with a heart so bold, Your story told, a tale unfolds. A daughter's love, forever near,
To honor you, my precious dear.

Forever Love, Dece

A Daughter's Ode

Though your earthly presence fades away, Your spirit shines, a guiding ray. We miss your laughter, and warm embrace, But find your love in every place.

Your hands that built our world with care, Now rest, but love remains to share. Your wisdom, a beacon in the night, Illuminates our path so bright.

We'll carry on the lessons learned, The values you so dearly earned. Your memory, a treasure we hold dear, A constant comfort, year by year.

Though tears may fall, and hearts may ache, We'll find strength for goodness sake. For in our hearts, you'll always stay, A mother's love, in every way.

Always and Forever. Tag

To My Mother in Heaven

Though earthly paths we can no longer share. Your spirit's warmth, a constant and gentle prayer. A memory's echo, a smile I hold dear, In every sunrise, banishing all fear.

The lessons learned, the wisdom you bestowed, a tapestry of love, beautifully showed. Though tears may fall, and grief may linger near, Your love's a beacon, shining ever clear.

I see your face in every gentle breeze And hear your voice among the rustling trees. Though you are gone, your presence I embrace, A love eternal, time cannot erase.

So rest in peace, my angel, up above, Your legacy of kindness, a constant love. I'll carry you within, forever near, My dearest mother, my love, my only dear

Blessing Forever, Rhody

Order of Service

Thursday, April 11, 2025
Visitation: 2:00pm Service: 3:00pm
Nabors Family Funeral Home
470 W 172nd Street
Thornton, IL 60476

Instrumental Musical Selection	Stetson Burden
Opening Prayer	Evette Awai
Song Selection	Kennedy Hayes
Obituary Reading	Silent Read
Bible Reading	Tracey Freeman
Words from Grandchildren	
Song Selection	Stetson Burden
Poem from Great-Grandchildren	
Eulogy	Rochelle Hayes
Benediction ending Prayer	Stetson Burden

Honorary Pallbearers

David Adkins, Stetson Burden
Jessie Character III, Justin Grant
Reggie Hall, Kannon Hayes

