



Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas

January 30, 1949 - March 26, 2021

In Loving Memory Of:

Frances Yvonne Thomas was born on January 30, 1949 to Clarence Edward and Dorothy Marie Aileen Powell in Paducah, Kentucky. As the oldest child, she was a beautiful baby; hazel brown eyes and curly hair. As the family grew, Yvonne excitedly welcomed her siblings. Clarence, Marjia, Sharron, and Esther. The girls enjoyed a joyous childhood. As children, they watched out for one another. Yvonne didn't allow anyone to intimidate her siblings; she would quickly resolve all conflicts regarding her sisters.

Yvonne enjoyed life in Paducah, being around family and friends. In 1963 her mom remarried and moved to Detroit, MI, with her step-father Odell Drake. This union produced, two brothers DeWayne and Maurice. They were a welcomed addition to the family, and she loved them very much. Yvonne is a graduate of the Detroit Public School System. She furthered her education by obtaining an Associates degree in Accounting at Lewis College of Business.

Proverbs 31:28

Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her
On April 16, 1966, Yvonne was joined in holy matrimony to Willie Joe. This union lasted for over 50 years. They had three beautiful girls. LaSonya, Sabrina, LaTonya. Yvonne cherished her family; she believed the family was first. She enjoyed cooking for family and friends. Yvonne had a special gift of friendship, an everlasting impact on whoever crossed her path. She enjoyed cooking and watching people enjoy her meals alongside her husband. They

both were phenomenal cooks and relished cooking together.

Matthew 9:37

Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few;

Yvonne worshipped at First Baptist Southwest (Rev. S. Turner), William Street COGIC (Pastor S. Snow), where she received the Holy Ghost. Finally, she settled at New Testament COGIC under Pastor Nick Edwards Sr. (Mother Regina). Upon Pastor Nick Edwards Sr. 's death, Pastor Brian K. Edwards (Valerie) became her Pastor until her demise. Yvonne loved the Lord and doing His work. She worked with multiple auxiliaries in the church. She appreciated the focus on family and biblical teaching. Yvonne also attended Hidden Springs Church with her husband under Pastor Matt Parks (Christine) leadership in Howell. She loved her church members from both congregations, and they truly loved her.

Jeremiah 31:3

The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love:

therefore with loving kindness have I drawn thee.

Yvonne leaves to cherish her memories: children, LaSonya, Sabrina, and LaTonya (Larry); sisters: Marjia Brooks (Garnett), Sharron Powell; brothers: Dwayne Drake, and Marcus Drake; sisters-in-law: Audrey Crockett, Patricia Durhal (Kenneth); grandchildren: DeAndre, Siobahn, Timothy, Adriana (Eric), DeAngelo, JaBriel, Xavier, and Alexis; great-grandchildren: Tamia, Giovonni, Amiyah, Zaire, Zafar, Ayzel, Zaniyah, and Addison. Aunts and uncles and a host of nephews and nieces, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, close friends from Howell, DAC, Herman Gardens, and a few special angels.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her husband Willie Joe; her parents, Clarence and Dorothy, her brother Clarence, sister Esther Boyd, and her nephew Ni'Shon Powell.

Previous Events

Strolling Visitation

Monday, Apr. **5**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

New Testament C.O.G.I.C.
15003 Joy Road
Detroit, MI 48228
(313) 582-1610
<http://www.newtestamentchurchdetroit.org>

Family Hour

Tuesday, Apr. **6**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

Tuesday, Apr. **6**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Adelle Powell Ballard lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas*



Adelle Powell Ballard - April 06, 2021 at 02:58 PM



Thank you

LaSonya - May 06, 2021 at 02:04 PM



“ *To the family of Frances Yvonne Thomas; we the Marion Denson family share in the loss of your loved one. Our hearts go out to you at this time but know that God can heal your broken heart. May God bless all of you.*

Love Marion and family

Marion L Denson - April 05, 2021 at 10:51 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas.*



April 05, 2021 at 08:46 PM



“ *God be with you she love our lord jesus Christ & family she will always in our hearts -Senter.denson Shannon all family friends when I see a star at night she there serving Christ sobra Shannon remember her cousin.*

sobra shannon - April 05, 2021 at 08:38 PM



“ *Tonya lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas*



Tonya - April 05, 2021 at 12:21 PM



“ *To Sonya & Family,*

Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted. Matthew 5:4

*Keeping you in my prayers,
Terry Barnes*

Terry Barnes - April 04, 2021 at 03:56 PM

TB

“ To Sonya & Family’,

Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believe in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; and whosoever live and believe in me shall never die. St John 11: 25-26

Terry Barnes



Terry Barnes - April 04, 2021 at 03:38 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas.



April 01, 2021 at 07:51 AM

JC

“ John and Michelle Coleman purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas.



John and Michelle Coleman - March 31, 2021 at 04:54 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas.*



March 31, 2021 at 12:36 PM



“ *We would like to extend our condolences to the family. May the God of all comfort help to ease the pain of your grief. With caring thoughts.*

Evans family - March 31, 2021 at 04:31 AM



“ *Sandi, Terrence, Syrain, Sydney, Kristin & Sharonda purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mrs. Frances Yvonne Thomas.*



Sandi, Terrence, Syrain, Sydney, Kristin & Sharonda - March 30, 2021 at 09:18 PM