



Mrs. JoAnn Walker

May 5, 1947 - February 5, 2025

JoAnn McCord was born May 5, 1947, in Detroit, Michigan to Eldrige Thomas McCord and Helen Clarke Ford becoming a family of four with her older brother Michael McCord. JoAnn was raised in a Christian home. She knew God and the importance and power of prayer.

JoAnn received her education through the Detroit Public School system and graduated from Eastern High School in 1965. During those high school years, JoAnn and her friends enjoyed dancing at the Greystone Ballroom and Mason Hall.

JoAnn was wed to Charles Walker Jr. and two children, Yolonda and Kenneth were born from that union. JoAnn retired from General Motors Automotive Company after working thirty-two years. During that time, she met and maintained friendships that lasted throughout her lifetime.

JoAnn was very outgoing, fun to be with and many times the life of the party. She was a people person and never met a stranger. JoAnn had strong opinions and was never shy to share them, especially when it came to politics. One could hear her regularly saying, "Shut the noise!"

JoAnn was loving, generous and supportive of family and friends. She LOVED her immediate, extended and blended family members. She was especially fond of children and loved interacting with them. She would say, "I should have been a teacher because I love kids." She looked forward to and enjoyed any type of family gathering. She enjoyed attending birthday celebrations, cook outs, her nieces and nephews sporting events and school programs, and

she looked forward to family vacations and family reunions.

JoAnn equally enjoyed spending time with friends, many of whom she had known since elementary school. She led a very active social life. She was in a Birthday Club for over thirty years. She attended and participated in her neighborhood Block Club meetings. She enjoyed card games and was an avid domino, bingo, and keno player. JoAnn went to casinos, attended concerts and sporting events. She especially loved being outdoors on hot summer days.

JoAnn departed this life on February 5, 2025. She was preceded in death by her parents, Eldridge and Helen McCord, brother Michael McCord and grandson Cedric Jones.

She leaves to cherish her memory her children Yolonda Lemon (Myron) and Kenneth Walker. Her grandchildren Cordell Jones and Keyona Jones. Two great grandchildren Aubrey and Courdney. Her siblings Victoria Brown, Herman McCord (Wanda), in-laws Alfred Walker, Ronnie Walker (Cynthia), Brenda Ford (Willie) and Glenda Cook. JoAnn will forever be cherished by her nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Previous Events

Family Hour

Wednesday, Feb. **12**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

TW

“ Auntie Joann, I really regret not taking the time to visit you often over the years. Seeing you in the hospital was bittersweet. I wasn't there to be nosy but to let you know my presence is love for you from my heart. Although, I understood you were transitioning, I enjoyed being there interacting with you. You made me laugh. Oh how I prayed & wished you could live longer. I wish things were different, like being around you as a child. The thing is I could have made my presence more as an adult. I know my last name isn't McCord but that doesn't matter, I'm still your niece & the daughter of your brother, Michael McCord. I'm a blood relative & I love you. I don't care about inheriting material things. Rest peacefully in the “Bosom of Abraham” Beautiful. We will meet again when Christ cracks the clouds upon His return.

Tonya Wade - April 11 at 09:38 AM

TS

“ Tonice Squires lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Walker



Tonice Squires - February 12, 2025 at 10:12 AM

VJ

“ There is too much to To say with a little bit of time. Hope you have. Fun in heaven. Where the sun do shine rest in peace mama from me and mines 🥹🥹🥹
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Vincent James - February 12, 2025 at 09:45 AM

DB

“ David Bolling purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.



David Bolling - February 11, 2025 at 03:32 PM

CM

“ Charles Murphy lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Walker



Charles Murphy - February 10, 2025 at 05:32 PM

MG

“ Marian G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.

Marian G. - February 10, 2025 at 02:21 PM

DT

“ Dell and Betty Thacker purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.



Dell and Betty Thacker - February 10, 2025 at 09:45 AM

DT

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Dell and Betty Thacker - February 10, 2025 at 09:45 AM

DM

“ JOANN is my sweet cousin who always loved to be at family events . She always smiled and laugh and i enjoyed being with her. JOANN was a wonderful family member who just helped encouraged me and others when we were together. May God bless our family keep up the spirit she spread wherever she was.

Debra Meekins - February 09, 2025 at 07:39 PM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.



February 09, 2025 at 06:35 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.

February 09, 2025 at 06:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.*



February 08, 2025 at 03:10 PM



“ *Mrs. Joanne was a very nice lady. Every time I seen her she had a smile on her face. Heaven has another angel.*



Melinda Henderson - February 08, 2025 at 02:47 PM



“ *Kevin and Stephanie Walker purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.*



Kevin and Stephanie Walker - February 08, 2025 at 01:26 PM



“ *Kevin and Stephanie Walker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.*

Kevin and Stephanie Walker - February 08, 2025 at 01:26 PM

JD

“ Jeffrey Davis lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Walker



Jeffrey Davis - February 08, 2025 at 10:01 AM

PF

“ Patillo&Bolling Families purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.



Patillo&Bolling Families - February 08, 2025 at 09:44 AM

PF

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SJ

“ Samuel Jackson purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.



Samuel Jackson - February 07, 2025 at 01:31 PM

BH

“ *Betty & Peter Hoffman purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. JoAnn Walker.*



Betty & Peter Hoffman - February 07, 2025 at 01:26 PM