



Ms. Gloria J. Berry

December 31, 1944 - September 3, 2021

Obituary

Gloria J. Berry, 76, passed away on September 3, 2021, at KC Hospice House.

Gloria Berry, 77, passed away on Friday, September 3rd at Kansas City Hospice in Kansas City, MO. She was born on December 31, 1944, to Claiborne and O'Neal (Washington) Sykes.

Gloria grew up in Kansas City, MO. She graduated from Central Senior High School in Kansas City, MO. After high school she began work for Swift & Co. where she worked for 40 years; retiring in 2004. From there she worked at the Ritz Charles Banquet and Conference Center of Overland Park for over 14 years. Gloria was quite active in various ministries in the church. However, she found the most joy serving as a door keeper in the Usher Ministry.

Gloria was the proud mother of one daughter, Stacey Denise Berry with whom she shared many adventures.

Preceding her in death was one brother, Herman E. Sykes and parents, Claiborne O. and O'Neal Sykes.

Gloria leaves to cherish her memory, one daughter, Stacey D. Berry of the

home. One sister, Yvonna M. Sykes, of Overland Park, KS and one brother, Clay O. Sykes, of Austin, TX. Four nieces: Stephanie Underwood of Atlanta, GA, Rochelle j. Brown (Bryce) and Stephanie Hall (Anthony) of the city and Tiffany Estelle, of Fort Worth, TX. One nephew, Darren J. Sykes and a host of cousins and friends.

A memorial service will be held at Macedonia Baptist Church at 1700 E. Linwood Blvd at 1:00 on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Visitation will be from 11:30am-1:00pm. Interment Forest Hill Cemetery. Service conducted by Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Service. Condolences may be shared on our website.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be made to St. Jude Children Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place Memphis TN 38105 (stjude.org) or the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at lls.org.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to Dr. Shahzad Raza and his staff, the Oncology department, Home Care and Hospice staff at St. Luke's Hospital, Kansas City Hospice, and the Macedonia Baptist Church Usher Ministry for all the loving care that she was given.

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to the family or plant a tree
in memory of Ms. Gloria J. Berry, please visit our floral store.

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“ *A Memorial Tree was planted for Ms. Gloria J. Berry
We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Lawrence A. Jones
& Sons Funeral Chapels-Missouri - Lawrence A. Jones & Sons
Funeral Chapels
Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Ms. Gloria J. Berry - May 25, 2023 at 12:51 PM

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“ *What can I say about Gloria J. Berry? She was a very important part
of the family who adopted me as one of their own. There are so
many memories - her knitting, Sunday dinners at the Sykes house
after church and especially her rolls! She will be sorely missed! May
God bless Stacey (Sitta Berry), Von and Chelle. I wish I was there; I
love you all and you will be in my prayers.*

Kris Launzo and Family - September 17, 2021 at 03:42 PM

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“ *Gloria Berry was a dear, sweet lady. She will be missed by anyone
who knew her. We know we'll miss her so very much. Our prayers
are with Gloria and her family. Love and light, Harold and Eileen
Benskin*

Harold and Eileen Benskin - September 10, 2021 at 11:51 AM

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“ I remember USHERING in the balcony on 18th and Benton I asked some church members to slide down to make room for others that needed a seat (the church members looked at me like I was crazy) so I went down stairs to get GLORIA and the rest was history. This woman carried a poise about herself. Her presence was POWERFUL. Her name moved MOUNTAINS. I LOVE YOU SO MUCH □ I WILL MISS YOU SO MUCH □

Andrea Reese - September 09, 2021 at 11:40 AM