

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard him call,*

I turned my back and left it all

I could not stay another day,

To laugh, to love, to work or play

Tasks left undone must stay that way,

I've found that peace at the close of day

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it with remembered joy

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Ah yes, these things I too will miss

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow

My life's been full, I've savored much,

Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch

If my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief

Lift up your heart, rejoice with me,

God wanted me now, He set me free.

Anne Lindgren Davison

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

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Acknowledgement

We, the family of Ms. Mary Wilhelmenia Jenkins Wilson, would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for the many acts of kindness, encouraging words, and sympathy shown during the passing of our loved one. May God continue to bless each of you in a special way.

Celebration of Life In Loving Memory Ms. Mary Wilhelmenia Jenkins Wilson



Friday, September 5, 2025

1:00p.m.

Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel

1831 Taylor Street

Columbia, South Carolina

Pastor Mary Young

- Officiating -

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Obituary

of

Ms. Mary Wilhelmenia Jenkins Wilson

On Thursday, August 28, 2025, Mary Wilhelmenia Jenkins Wilson, loving mother of 3 children, departed this earthly life at the age of 77. Mary was born on December 20, 1947, in Columbia, South Carolina. She was the beloved and only daughter of Bennie Lee Jenkins, Sr. and Emily Mary Scott Jenkins.

Mary (or Mena as she was affectionately called by some of her family members and friends) graduated in 1968 from Booker T Washington High School in Columbia, SC. She lived most of her life in Columbia but also cherished a period of her life she lived in Cleveland, Ohio with her grandfather.

Mary was a certified nurse aide who devoted her life to being in service of those who had special needs and could not care for themselves, such as clients with spinal cord injuries, physical limitations, traumatic brain injuries, or those living with Alzheimer's disease and dementia. Mary was an extremely hard worker and provider for her family. While times were not always easy, with her love of God she weathered the storms with humility, grace and appreciation for her blessings. Mary was smart, witty, honest and fearless. She was known for her southern cooking and feeding anyone who stopped in for a visit. On a Saturday morning, it was not uncommon for Mary to be on the hunt for a bargain to find pre-owned and gently used treasures at thrift stores, garage sales and flea markets. She simply loved thrifting!

Mary was preceded in death by her parents and her brothers, Bennie Jenkins, Jr., Ervin Jenkins, Harry Jenkins, and Ravenell Jenkins.

Those who will forever cherish fond and precious memories of Mary are her daughter, Shawna Wilson (Curtis); her sons, Tommy Jerome Wilson (Sylvia) and Henry "Peanut" Taylor; grandson, Tommy Jerome Wilson II; her brother, Eddie Scott; sister-in-law, Joyce Jenkins (wife of Bennie Jenkins, Jr.); uncle, Grover Jenkins (Betty); a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss her dearly.

Memories



A Service of Remembrance

Musical Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Musical Selection.....Mr. Davarius Crowder

Old Testament.....Psalm 23.....Tiffany Dantzler

New Testament.....John 14:1-6....Prophetess Sandra Harrison

Prayer.....Prophetess Sandra Harrison

Musical Selection.....Mr. Charles Harris

Remarks.....Ms. Shawna Wilson

Musical Selection.....Ms. Kristal Davis

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Mary Young

Recessional

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

**Lincoln Cemetery
4900 Farrow Road
Columbia, South Carolina**

