

Pallbearers

Lamar Marsh
Donald Atkinson
Warren McCruter

Eli Jordan
David Polk
Eric Weaver



Acknowledgements

The family of Erika Polk is extremely grateful for all acts of kindness displayed during this difficult time. Whether you sent a card or flowers, spoke comforting words, lent a shoulder, whispered a prayer or simply kept us in your thoughts, it has not gone unnoticed.



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A Celebration of Life



Erika Louise Polk

DECEMBER 29, 1966 - FEBRUARY 26, 2022

Friday, March 4, 2022

Visitation: 10:00am Homegoing Celebration: 11:00am

Oasis of Love Church Inc. 190 Chester Ave Mansfield, Ohio 44903



Obituary

Erika Louise (Kay) Polk was born on December 29, 1966, in Sherman, Texas. She moved to Mansfield, Ohio at a young age where she was reared by her mother, Jarvis Polk Marsh, and her step-father, Eddie Marsh. Erika was a 1985 graduate of Malabar High School, and a graduate of Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, where she majored in chemical engineering. After graduation, Erika worked in the Mansfield public schools coaching track and field and basketball, and tutoring many students in math, sciences, and other subjects. Prior to moving to Mansfield, Ohio, Erika was a member of the Friendly Church of God in Christ, Sherman, TX. In the city of Mansfield, Erika was faithful and active in her church, The Oasis of Love Church of God in Christ, where she was a member of the trustee board, taught Sunday School, and worked in the children's church. Erika also served as a Finance Officer for the Ohio North First Jurisdiction, Bishop Edward T. Cook, Prelate. Erika leaves to cherish her memory, her mother, Jarvis Polk Marsh of Mansfield, Ohio; Brothers, Elder Gerald Polk (Joetta) of Mansfield, and David Polk (Angela) of Sherman, Texas; Sister, Iris Medrano of Sherman; Nieces, Lashana Steele and Sylvia Hopson; Nephews, Dantreyus Hopson and Nieman Hughley. Among the loved ones who mourn her passing are uncles and aunts: Barbara Howard, James Polk, Mary Johnson, Carl Polk, Ben Polk, Jimmy Polk, Lavora Spencer, Leonard Polk, Terry Polk, Cheryl Polk, and Yana Bullard. Erika is also survived by numerous cousins and friends.



“PRESSING TOWARDS”

Day in and day out I press toward the mark.

The mark which God has placed before me.

It is this mark that propels me to keep moving forward.

I'm elated to know this mark beckons me on.

Thank God for the mark, it keeps me focused.

Day in and day out I am obligated to get up, go and be.

I am a woman of purpose and destiny but...

At times I must say, I have to stop and smell the roses.

Oh the smell of sweet fragrance. So worth the stop.

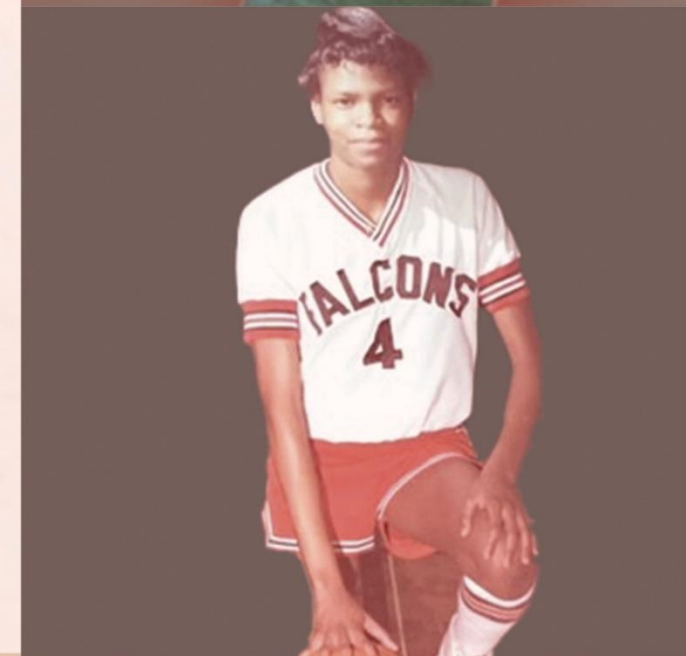
It is within these stops that I get rejuvenated.

I press and press to reach the finish line.

The prize is clear before my eyes. In this I find the strength to press on.

In this I find the strength to leave what's behind.

Day in and day out I press toward the mark.



The Polk Family

Family is at the center of God's plan for the happiness and progress of His children.



Order of Service

Friday, March 4, 2022

11:00 am

Sis. Shirley Jordan, Officiant

Organ Prelude.....Bro. Garlan McCruter

Parting View.....Immediate Family

Scripture Reading.....

Old Testament.....Psalms 90:1-10.....Elder Louis Blevins Jr.

New Testament.....John 14:1-6.....Elder William Jordan Jr.

Prayer.....Pastor Mark Cobb

Selection.....Sis. Nnenna McCruter-Jordan

Acknowledgement/Condolences.....Elder Linda Robinson

Remarks.....Pastor Raymond Cochran Jr.

Oasis of Love Trustee Board
Oasis of Love Sunday School Dept.
Elder Lester Clancy

Selection.....Sis. Joetta McCruter-Polk

The Eulogy.....Elder Gerald E. Polk

Recessional.....Clergy, Family & Friends

THE INTERMENT

Mansfield Cemetery
389 Altamont Avenue
Mansfield, Ohio 44902

