#### Expressions of Gratitude

The family of Linda McCrary wish to express deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kind expression of sympathy. To know you are with us in our time of sorrow, these are the things that mean so much. We thank you.

The Family

#### Pallbearers

William Caines - Darius Brewton - Donovan Brewton O'Neil Gill Jr. - Cha'se Johnson - Greg Bayless

Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road And the sun has set for me I want no rites in a gloom filled room Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little, but not for long And not with your head bowed low Remember the love that once we shared Miss me, but let me go. For this is a journey we all must take And each must go alone. It's all part of the master plan A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart Go to the friends we know. Laugh at all the things we used to do Miss me, but let me go.

To offer condolences to The McCrary Family visit <a href="https://www.TheChapelofPeace.com">www.TheChapelofPeace.com</a>





## Obituary

Linda Darnell McCrary, 73 of Columbus, OH, was born on April 11, 1949, in Holden, WV to the late Gilbert and Alice Rankin. Linda departed this life and entered her eternal heavenly rest on April 2, 2023.

In addition of her loving parents, she was preceded in death by her son; Kwann McCrary, brother Ralph Rankin, sisters; Claudia Rankin and Shirley Rankin.

Linda grew up in the small town of Holden, WV. To her family and friends, she was known as "Blondie." She accepted Christ at a very early age and was a former member of the Greater Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church. She graduated from Logan High School in 1967 where she was a member of the Logan High School Band, Glee Club, and other academic/social groups. As a band member, she participated in the 1964 Macy's Day Parade as the Logan High School Marching Wildcats were the featured band that led in Santa Claus. This was a moment that she often spoke of and was so proud to share.

After graduating from high school, Linda moved to Columbus, OH where she lived for several years. It was here where she discovered her love for bowling, winning several awards with her bowling league. Amongst her love of bowling, Linda loved her BBQ, OSU Buckeyes, the color green, yard sales, QVC, gospel music, Charlie Wilson and the Gap Band, Anita Baker, Sunday cooking, board games with her sister Constance, her "numbers", fish fries, and crafting. One thing that we could never figure out was her irrational fear of frogs. Mother could never explain this but could tell us hilarious stories of her altercations with frogs over the years. If you know, you know!

In 1983, Linda moved back to Holden, WV where she would raise her loving children. She would go on to work at Walmart where she was employed for for several years. You could find several people standing in her line simply because they wanted to see and speak with her. People often spoke of how she would greet them with that contagious smile of hers and make them feel so welcomed. She loved people and people loved her. Her heart was full of love and was so humble. Her legacy will continue on through her babies and family as we will forevermore celebrate a life well lived. Mother most recently expressed how much she just wanted to go to church. She often said that "I can't wait to get well enough so that I can go to church!".

Praise be to God that on April 2, 2023, the Lord came and took our mother to church on Palms Sunday to be with him in his holy presence forever.

Those left to cherish her memory until the happy, heavenly reunion are her daughters; Melika (Greg) Bayless of Columbus, OH, Kyna (William) Caines of Bridgeport, CT, Natasha McCrary of Bridgeport, CT, sons; Tracy (Tamlyn) McCrary of Columbus, OH, Jawanza (Jessica) McCrary of Charleston, WV, and Tayon McCrary of Huntington, WV, big sister; Constance (Eddie) Calloway of Indianapolis, IN, little brothers; Paul Rankin of Huntington, WV, and Michael Rankin of Coshocton, OH, grandsons; Darius Brewton, O'Neil Gill, Donovan Brewton, Cha'se Johnson, Anthony Cole, Malec Cole, granddaughters; Ikea McCrary, Shakerra McCrary, Janda DeJarnette, Kwan'Jnae McCrary, great grandchildren; Nova and Keyen Sutherland, Natalie Browning and Nylah Bradford, and special cousins that she considered more like sisters; Brenda Hawkins, Vivian Rankin, Theresa Burney, and Vickie White, special uncle; Robert (Bob) Lynch, and special aunts; Roenita Hairston and Sonya Rankin (New York), and a host of nieces, nephews and a host of cousins.

## Order of Service

MUSICAL SELECTION	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
PARTING VIEW	Immediate Family
Old Testament	Rev. Markus McCoy
PRAYER	Rev. Markus McCoy
SELECTION	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	Vivian Rankin
REMARKS	Family and Friends
MIME TRIBUTE	Brittany Pugh
READING OF OBITUARY	Read Silently
SELECTION	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

# The Eulogy Rev. Markus McCoy

BENEDICTION		Rev.	Mar	kus	McCoy
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## Interment Greenlawn Cemetery

#### Repast

JH Ross Community Center 907 Lexington Ave., Columbus, OH 43201 3pm-6pm