



*Celebrating the Life of*  
*Peggy McKinney*

**Sunrise**  
**March 31, 1941**  
**Sunset**  
**October 4, 2021**



# Obituary

Willie Frances McKinney was born to the late Christine Jones in Talladega, Alabama, on March 31, 1941. To her family and friends, she was affectionately known as Peggy.

She was educated in the New York City School System and attended College in the Bronx. Peggy and her brother Willie (Bill) were raised by their Grandparents, Dochie Grimes and Austin Davis, in Alabama until her Mother sent for them to come to New York. They lived in Jamaica, Queens, for many years before moving to the Bronx in the 1970s. There Peggy raised 13 children as a single mother before meeting the love of her life Michael McKinney.

Peggy was a caring and loving mother who loved her children dearly and kept them close to her heart. She loved to cook, journal and dress. Peggy was a fashionable woman who loved her pocketbooks, and she had many of them. She was a music lover and was always fully equipped with her blue tooth speaker.

Peggy was a long-time member of Green Pastures Church located in the Bronx, NY, where she served as an Usher and Choir member for over 30 years under the late Rev. Roger Hambrick, Sr. She was a calm and serene servant in the church. Peggy was a caretaker, home health aid, and was an extra in the 'Law in order' tv show. A loving Mother, Grandmother, Great Grandmother, Sister, Friend, and Confidant. Some would say a social butterfly. She loved to sit in the Bronx River Park and take in the beauty of nature, and share stories of the past with friends in the park. She would also sit in front of the building where she resided and talk to neighbors. She would share wisdom with all whom she met.

Peggy leaves to cherish her memory 11 of her 13 children, Lawrence Sanders (Ivy), Christine Sanders (Jeff), Francine Vernon (Tyrone), Cynthia Garcia (Angelo) deceased, Suzette Nedd (Lloyd), Peggy Sanders (Lindsey), Eugene Sanders, Kim Sanders, Warren Sanders, Brian Sanders (deceased), Venus Sanders (David), Nicole Sanders, and our heavenly brother. Peggy departed this earth peacefully on October 4th in the comfort of her home. Her brother Willie (Bill) and children. A host of many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

*Celebration of Life*  
*Thursday, October 14, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.*

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Bronx, New York 10466

*Order of Service*

Officiant: Rev. Margaret L. Watson

Opening Scripture Reading  
New Testament  
Old Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Organist

Acknowledgements

Remarks and Words of Comfort (2 minutes please)

Organist

Obituary Reading – Tamika Phillips

Praise Dance: Sis. Theresa Wichman-Smith

Organist

Eulogy – Rev. Margaret Watson

Benediction

Final Viewing Directed By: T. Carrillo Funeral Service Staff

Recessional

*Final Resting Place*  
Calverton National Cemetery  
Calverton, New York

# Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

## *Our Mother*

Mom, the love you showed us will forever live within us. Our memory of you will forever be etched in our hearts and here are just a few words of how your love for us provided wisdom for the rest of our lives.

Though we have many memories, we will always cherish them "Your smile was always warm and beautiful, and your hugs were tight and comforting without letting go. You planted the word in me, and I keep reading the Bible even today. Mom got me through life today".

- Christine

"She never gave up on me, and I am forever blessed to have called you Mom, and if it weren't for Mom, I wouldn't be who I am today". - Peggy

"Mixing up ingredients, cooking in the kitchen as a kid, chitterlings, and potatoes. She made me the cook I am today. My love for cooking is a remembrance of Mom forever". - Francine

"A funny but valid statement: Never put a man on your lease, so when it's time to kick him out, you don't have to go to court".

- Suzette

"Mom, you held me close to you, and I can't imagine life without you; I will forever miss your touch but know you are watching over me in heaven".

- Cynthia

"I always remember her talking about the family drinking beer and always saying Don't worry about anybody, take care of yourself".

- Eugene

"I would cook for Mom on Sundays and Enjoy the laughter". - Larry

"My Mother was my best friend, confidant, and my go-to person. I will never forget her smile, laugh, and wisdom. Mom always said "Venus put yourself first". - Venus

"No matter what she endured in life, she always kept her faith in God"

-Nicole

"Mom, you have traveled near and far, and you will forever be missed".

- Kim

"Mom, I will miss the micromanagement and pray that you continue to watch over me. Your conversations with others. To see your beauty and how you see the beauty in others showed me". Warren

"Mom, on earth, you watched us and prayed; we thank you. We now pray that you made it safely and are now in God's care. You have taught us to pray, read the Bible, laugh, smile, and remember to keep God first. See you when we get there and meet again". -Your loving children



My sister, my sister, oh my sister  
Oh, how I miss you so much  
My heart aches at this unexplained moment  
Know that without you, I am alone.  
It has only been us, two siblings whom Mom birthed.  
Though I miss Mom daily, I am now missing you too.  
My love for you, my dear sister, will never be filled again on  
earth.

I will always love you forever

-Your Brother Willie (Bill)

*To my loving Mother,  
You celebrated me in the world on this day of October 14th  
And today I am celebrating you on my birthday.  
As your first son, I will always love you and miss you dearly.  
Rest in peace, Mom, until we meet again.*

*You will be in my heart forever.*

*-Your son Lawrence*

Grandma were sorry for your loss and we wanted to tell you we love you and we are going to see grandma in heaven, we always loved her. Rest in Peace Grandma

*We love u so much u was the best grandmother ever. u mean so much to  
us*

*Rest in Peace see u in heaven*

*By: Damian*

# *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 found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,

Then fill it up with remembered joy.

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,

Oh, yes these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,

God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

## *Acknowledgment*

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.



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