



## Willa Dean Wilkes

October 24, 1943 - July 27, 2021

Willa Dean Wilkes, affectionately known as "Janie" was born in Meigs, Georgia on October 24, 1943 to parents, Walter Lee Anderson, Sr. and Dessie Mae Anderson. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother. She devoted her life to her family as she and Isaac Wilkes, Sr. raised their 7 Kinds to adulthood.

Willa always had to have everything in order. To know her was to love her. She loved going to church. She was a faithful member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church initially under the leadership of Pastor Fred L. Maxwell to her and her family for several generations. After the passing of Pastor Maxwell, she continued to be a faithful member under Pastor Rolous L. Frazier.

Willa was very fashionable. She loved to shop and always looked her best no matter what. She was known to all as a great cook, especially her turkey wings and rice which she fed her family for many nights. This recipe is a tradition that has been passed down along with her love for ALL of her children. In her spare time, besides spending quality time with her family, she enjoyed watching soap operas as well as the Lifetime and Game Show Networks with her beloved dog "Koda".

Preceding her in death were Walter Lee Anderson, Sr. and Mrs. Dessie Mae Anderson (parents), 5 brothers, 4 sisters, Wanda Faye Wilkes (daughter),

Glen "Pokie" Wilkes (son) and her beloved dog Koda.

Left to cherish her memories are Bishop Isaac Wilkes Sr., father of Wayne Wilkes, Glenda Wilkes, Isaac Wilkes, Phillip Wilkes(Kenya), and Phyllis Wilkes as well as God daughter -Kim Avera, 15 grandkids, and 15 great-grandchildren; and a host of other loving relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Eatonville Community Cemetery Association

600 South Wymore Road  
Maitland , FL 32751

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 7. 9:15 AM (ET)

St. John Baptist Church  
30 N. Fred L. Maxwell Blvd.  
Orlando, FL 32805

## Service

AUG 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Willa Dean Wilkes*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Willa Dean Wilkes.*



August 06, 2021 at 05:12 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Willa Dean Wilkes.*



August 06, 2021 at 10:18 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Willa Dean Wilkes.*



August 06, 2021 at 02:32 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Willa Dean Wilkes.



August 05, 2021 at 10:55 PM



“ I'll always remember Mama fondly. My condolences to the entire Wilkes Family. May the Lord give you comfort through this difficult time.

**Brian Collier** - August 05, 2021 at 11:51 AM



“ Auntie Janie - We share so many memories, you added laughter and a smile to my heart and soul. You touched my life at an early age when I stayed with y'all in Orlando! The kindness and love you shared - I will always hold dear to my heart.

*Loss of an aunt*

*“When someone you love becomes a memory, the memory becomes a treasure”.*

*Gone but NEVER Forgotten* 💜

*Love always*

*Mary Ann*

**Mary Ann Parris** - August 04, 2021 at 11:14 AM

MW

“ *Sending love and condolences to the my family. May God bless and comfort all of you.*



MARGIE H WILKES - August 04, 2021 at 07:00 AM

MW

“ *MARGIE H WILKES lit a candle in memory of Willa Dean Wilkes*



MARGIE H WILKES - August 04, 2021 at 06:52 AM

JJ

“ *A special lady with a big heart she will truly miss. God only picks the Roses that have fully blossomed. Blessings and prayers going up for the family. 🙏🙏🙏*

Johnnie Johnson - August 03, 2021 at 09:44 PM

SS

“ *My CONDOLENCES AND DEEPEST SYMPATHIES TO THE WILKES FAMILY, I PRAY THAT GOD GIVES THIS FAMILY THE STRENGTH TO ENDURE, DURING THIS SADDEN TIME,MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BE WITH THEM.*



Shelia Simmons - August 03, 2021 at 12:18 PM

JM

*My deepest condolences to the wilkes family. May God continue strengthening your special.*

*From Joyce Atkinson Myrick and family*

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**Joyce Atkinson Myrick** - August 04, 2021 at 04:02 PM