

## Honorary Pallbearers

Tommy Simpson III  
Deschun Fitzgerald  
Cyrano Depp

Oshay Graves  
Dionta Calhoun  
Paul Thomas II

## Interment

Private

## Acknowledgements

*The family would like to acknowledge with sincere gratitude, the servitude and kindness of the Toledo Hospital staff, the Ohioans Home Healthcare nurses and staff, and the House of Day Funeral Home. The family would also like to thank each of you for your expressions of love and generosity during their time of bereavement.*

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"Remember not my fight for breath  
Remember not the strife  
Please do not dwell upon my death  
But celebrate my life."

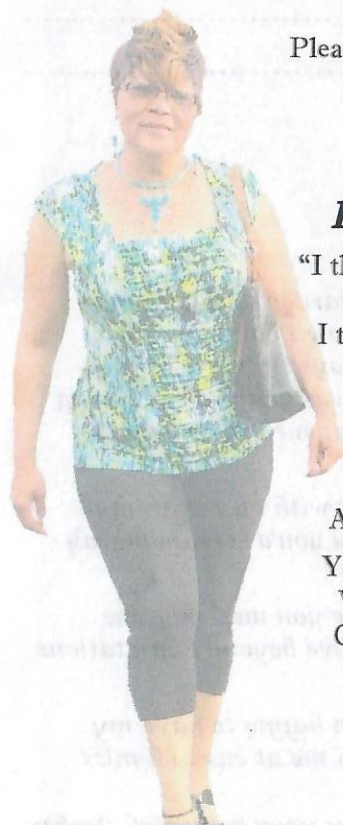
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## In Loving Memory

"I thought of you with love today,  
But that is nothing new.  
I thought about you yesterday,  
And days before that too.

I think of you in silence,  
I often speak your name.  
All I have are memories,  
And your picture in a frame.

Your memory's my keepsake,  
With which I'll never part.  
God has you in his keeping,  
I have you in my heart."



# A Service of Memory Celebrating the Life of



## Joan Calhoun

January 24, 1949 ~ August 19, 2020

Saturday, August 29, 2020  
3:00 pm

House of Day Funeral Home  
2550 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, OH

Reverend Dr. James H. Willis Sr.  
Officiant

# The Obituary

Mrs. Joan Franklin Calhoun, 71, daughter of the late Raymond and Myrtle Bell Franklin, made her debut into this life on January 26, 1949 in Marystown, West Virginia; and peacefully departed this life on August 19, 2020 at Toledo Hospital in Toledo, Ohio. She was a proud graduate of North High School class of 1967 in Youngstown, Ohio.

She was united in holy matrimony to her husband of 33 years, Orrin Calhoun, on August 22, 1987. This union was blessed with a blended family of four children.

Joan was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. Her passion and love for helping others was evident in her work at the Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority for 26 years, where she retired in December 2012.

Joan was a beautiful person with a huge heart and touched the hearts of so many. She consistently put others needs before her own. Joan always presented with poise and class. She loved her animal print and incorporated this when she shopped for herself and others. She enjoyed cooking and playing cards with family and friends. However, Joan's passion was to sing. She started singing while attending high school and performed professionally after graduation with her group, Ronnie Lee Combo & the Tempting Tiara's, and Samson and Delilah & the Boss City People, to share her angelic voice with others. She is now singing in the heavenly choir.

Joan was preceded in death by both parents; father-in-law, Dan Michael; Brother and Sister-in-law, John Franklin and Jocelyn Franklin; Brother-in-law, Lamont Calhoun; and Sisters-in-law, Marsha White and Shelia Calhoun.

Her beautiful life will forever be cherished in the lives of her loving Husband, Orrin Calhoun Sr.; Daughters, Amber Franklin, Robin Calhoun and Yolanda "LaLa" Calhoun Bracken; Son, Orrin "OJ" Calhoun Jr.; 17 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren; Sister, Phyllis Gray; Brother, Tommy (Elaine) Pennington; Step-sister, Georgianna Henderson; Mother-in-law, Arstella Calhoun-Michael; Sisters-in-law, Janine (Joseph) Calhoun Arnold and Tracy Calhoun Thomas; Brother-in-law, Fredrick "Cappy" (Tondalaya) Calhoun; as well as special friends, Marian Pearce and Robin Burton; and a host of family and friends.

# Order of Service

- Organ Prelude.....
- Processional.....
- Musical Selection.....*It's so Hard to Say Goodbye to Yesterday*.....Phyllis Gray
- Scripture.....*Psalm 23, Old Testament*.....Rev. Stanley Clark Sr.  
*John 14:1-6, New Testament*
- Prayer.....Rev. Stanley Clark Sr.
- Acknowledgement of Condolences  
and Obituary.....Yolanda Calhoun Bracken
- Remarks.....*(2 Minutes Please)*.....Kiandra Harvey
- Musical Selection..... *Take Me to the King*.....Vickey Simpson
- Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. James H. Willis Sr.
- Recessional.....
- Organ Postlude.....



*Dear Mommy,*

*The memories you left me some days are harder to think about than others now that you are no longer here. I know I can move on because you're in my heart and I know you'll always be there. I think about the moments of laughter we shared when I was younger; us racing through the yard and you would never let me win, but I see now you were only showing me to work harder.*

*I bet no one knows you didn't like animals with all the animal print you wore and had in your house; or the way you'd scream bloody murder at the sight of a spider or mouse.*

*I love how you were never cruel to anyone you met—not one mean bone in your body. You taught me how to love beyond expectations and to share that love with everybody.*

*Some days I smile, most days I cry, but I'm happy to have my angel in the sky! No more pain mommy, that puts me at ease. I'll miss you though, but now you're at peace.*

*Love your baby girl, Amber*