

## *A Mothers Crown*

Heaven lit up with a mighty presence, as the Angels all looked down.  
Today the Lord was placing the jewels Into my mother's crown.  
He held up a golden crown, as my darling mother looked on.  
He said in His gentle voice, 'I will now explain each one.'  
'The first gem,' He said, 'is a Ruby, and it's for endurance alone,  
for all the nights you waited up for your children to come home.'  
'For all the nights by their bedside, you stayed till the fever went down.  
For nursing every little wound, I add this ruby to your crown.'  
'An emerald, I'll place by the ruby, for leading your child in the right way.  
For teaching them the lessons, That made them who they are today.'  
'For always being right there, through all life's important events.  
I give you a sapphire stone, for the time and love you spent.'  
'For untying the strings that held them, when they grew up and left home.  
I give you this one for courage,' Then the Lord added a garnet stone.  
'I'll place a stone of amethyst,' He said. 'For all the times you spent on your knees,  
when you asked if I'd take care of your children, and then for having faith in Me.'  
'I have a pearl for every little sacrifice that you made without them knowing.  
For all the times you went without, to keep them happy, healthy and growing.'  
'And last of all I have a diamond, the greatest one of all,  
for sharing unconditional love whether they were big or small.'  
'It was your love that helped them grow Feeling safe and happy and proud  
A love so strong and pure It could shift the darkest cloud.'  
After the Lord placed the last jewel in, He said, 'Your crown is now complete,  
You've earned your place in Heaven With your children at your feet.'

### *Isaiah 40:3*

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings as eagles. They shall run and no grow weary, they shall walk and not faint

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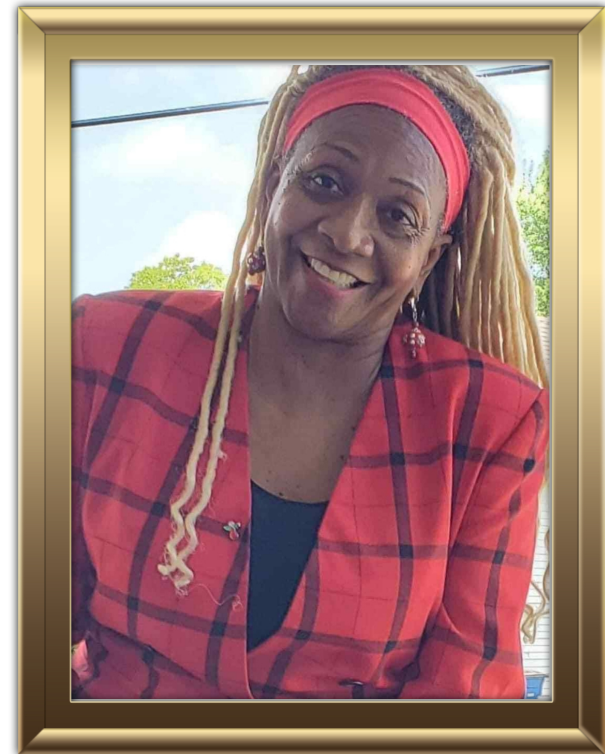
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## *In Loving Memory*



## *La Donna Brenda Hawkins*

**September 23, 1952**

**January 8, 2021**

Services

Friday, January 22, 2021

Visitation 6:00 p.m. Services 7:00 p.m.

The House of Day Funeral Service Chapel  
2550 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, Ohio

## *Obituary*

LaDonna Brenda Hawkins 68, departed this life on, January 8, 2021, at 11:26 am at St. V's Medical Center. She was born on, September 23, 1952, in New York City, to Donald Hawkins and Anna Gardner (Cooper).

She moved to Toledo as a child. LaDonna was a mother and sister to many individuals, from all walks of life.

LaDonna was married to Jetton Woods also known as "Butch", they were gifted with four amazing sons, Jaeson, Jetton, Justyn, and Jorean.

In life, LaDonna was a God fearing woman. a devout Christian. She rededicated her life to Christ, August of 2020. She was a devoted member of Lion of Judah World Outreach Center.

LaDonna's love shone and spread throughout the many things she committed herself to; family, work and her continued education, a woman of faith, as well a her works as an author of 3 powerful books: Empty Manger & other Stories, Court of 2 Sisters, and Stories from a box in the closet.

She worked in the medical field because she cared about people, and wanted to be of help

LaDonna has been a symbol of love and faith if not remembered for anything else. She kept her mind strong and her beliefs in the word of God.

She loved her grandkids, she enjoyed them, she talked to them she'd tell the boys smile b good and the girls to be respectful and demand respect for themselves. She told them about God and Jesus, and what he has done for her. She prayed for them.

Her devotion to Jesus has to be one of the things that separate her from a church person to a true Walker of the faith. She prayed for the love of Jesus to help and protect people that did not believe in anything. She loved her family no matter the situation, she would say I don't care that's family. We gotta work it out ..

From loving work, to planting flowers, and veggies, being a dog lover, a Christian, she loved owls and occasional trips to the gun range to sharpen her aim.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jetton Woods, father, Donald Hawkins, infant daughter, LaDonna, siblings, Rosemary Durant and Larry Durant.

LaDonna leaves to mourn her passing, sons, Jaeson, Jetton, Justyn, and Jorean; mother, Anna R. Gardner; her loyal companion, Bullet; five siblings, Benjamin (Carolynne), Carolyn Cooper, Sheila Layson, Barbara Epps, Linda (Ramon) Peterson; 14 grandchildren, Jaeson Chance, Marcus, Mya, Aleena, Jettona, Jaesa, Josiah, Jaeson, Judah, Jaylon, Jaxen, Zoey, Jasper, and Jidenna; 1 great grandchild, Kmyla and a host of nieces, nephews, uncle, family and friends.

## *Order of Service*

Organ Prelude

Musical Selection Justyn

Prayer

Acknowledgement of Condolences & Obituary Janela

Musical Selection Justyn

### *Letter to mama*

We're writing you to tell you that we love you. Something we hardly do.

We tell you enough how much we love you and it's something we must do.

We need to let you know mother how much you really mean to us.

We need to thank you for all you do for us.

Your unconditional love toward us means a lot.

You never turned your back on us and we know it's something you'll never do.

Any time we need someone to talk to you're always there to help us through.

And anytime we need a favor you always seem to be there, too.

There is nothing in this world that we could do to pay you back for all you do.

When God gave us to you,

That's the best thing he could ever do,

So this poem is dedicated to you.

Because we don't know how else to say thank you

### *2 Timothy 2:7*

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the Faith