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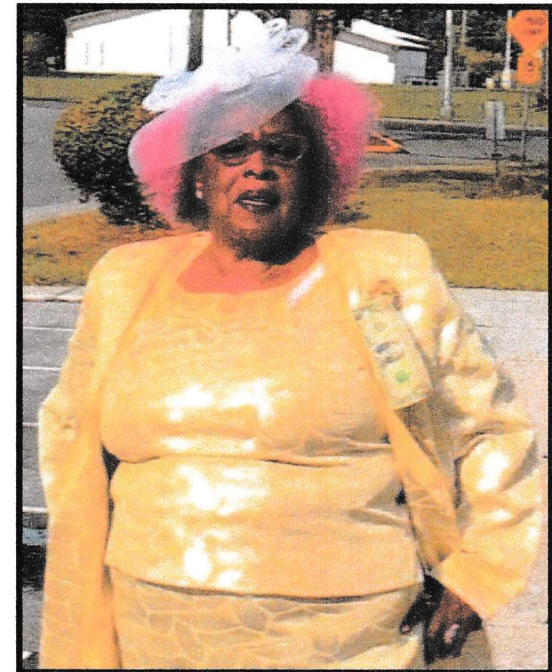


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CELEBRATION of LIFE **Pauline Durden**



Saturday, August 26, 2023

11:00 a.m.

Marion Graham, Jr. Chapel

"1504" Gandy Street

Jacksonville, Florida 32208

Life Reflections

With heavy hearts, we bid farewell to our beloved Pauline "Polly" Durden, a devoted mother, grandmother, sister, and friend, who passed away on August 9, 2023 in her hometown of Jacksonville, Florida. Born on October 31, 1952 in Jacksonville, Polly's vibrant spirit and unwavering love touched the lives of all who knew her.

Polly leaves behind a legacy of love, family, and unbreakable bonds. She is survived by her cherished children, Sandra Durden, Christopher Durden (Nette), and her loving siblings Pauletta (John), Donald, Willie James, Catherine (James), Tina, Edward, Paul (Lajuanwa), James, and Carl. As well as her best friend Anntoinette. Polly's journey through life was adorned with countless moments of joy, laughter, and cherished memories shared with her grandchildren: Nairobia, Johnesha, San'chantra (Johnathan), Tangelica, Christopher Jr., Kenyante' (Bob), Diamond, and Chrystal-Jade. Her great-grandchildren, Sa'miyah, Jewel, Kenneth Jr., Johnathan Jr., and Morgan, will forever carry her spirit in their hearts.

Polly's radiant personality shone through her hobbies, as she delighted in the simple pleasures of life. From her travels between Jacksonville and Prattville, Alabama, to her uplifting presence in church and the heartwarming gatherings with family, Polly's warmth and kindness were palpable. A woman of unwavering faith, she was ordained as an evangelist in 2015, sharing her devotion with all who crossed her path.

Her heart for others extended beyond her family, as Polly passionately supported cancer awareness by donning her signature hot pink hair. Her resilient spirit and selflessness showed through her commitment to help those in need, embodying the true essence of compassion.

Polly's life was a testament to her enduring love, unwavering kindness, and infectious laughter. Her memory lives on through the countless lives she touched and the lessons she imparted. She was a beacon of light, reminding us that family is a bond that withstands all trials. Polly's favorite quote, "If you're born, you're gonna die," serves as a poignant reminder to live life to the fullest and cherish every moment.

Through the challenges she faced, including the heartache of losing her children Dwight (BoBo) and Tangelica (Tangie), Polly's strength and resilience remained steadfast. Her legacy continues through the love and togetherness she instilled in her family.

Polly's sweet potato pies, a cherished recipe passed down through generations, were a testament to her love for her family. But more than her culinary talents, Polly's greatest gift was her unwavering presence. A simple phone call away, she was the glue that held family and friends close, bridging distances with her heartfelt conversations.

As we gather to remember Polly, let us celebrate a life well-lived, a heart well-loved, and a spirit that will forever inspire us. In honoring her memory, let us embrace her philosophy that family sticks together, no matter the challenges that come our way.

In Polly's memory, we wear the color she held dear: hot pink, a symbol of her vibrant spirit and enduring love. As we say our goodbyes, let us carry her light within us, spreading the same warmth and kindness that she shared throughout her remarkable life.

May Polly rest in eternal peace, forever cradled in the love of her family and the fond memories she leaves behind.



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