

## TRIBUTE TO OUR MOTHER

*God made a wonderful mother. We think of all the things you gave us: sacrifices, devotion, love, and tears. Your heart, your mind, your energy, and your soul. All these you spent on us throughout the years. You stood by our side regardless of all our mistakes. You loved beyond words. We love you so much, and we miss your presence in our life. Rest in peace, Mama! Thank you, Mother!*

KYOA RIVERS AND MANDARIUS LOWE

## TRIBUTE TO GRANDMA

*Your wisdom was an art. You shared so generously.  
Your words were golden threads that bind our family.  
You covered me with a quilt of love that warmed me like no other.  
I feel privileged, profoundly honored, blessed that you were my grandmother.  
Missing you is a heartache that will never go away. Thank you for your sacrifices,  
your care and concern, your love, and everything you have done for me.  
I am going to miss everything about you.*

DEANDREA

## TRIBUTE TO SISTER

*Hey, Deb. What's up, Sis???*  
*I can see you sitting down having a talk with God. You just listening to God not saying anything much like you normally do with anyone. You didn't try to negotiate with God... You just said, "Whatever, I am ready to go," but with no notice to us at all!! You had already put up a good fight years ago, battling breast cancer and surviving it. You were ready when God reached out His hand to you because there was no suffering, Sis. You held so many positions in life... First of all, you were the glue that held this family together... You even tried very hard to be the "mom" for the siblings in this family after we lost our mom... But that wasn't easy at all with six siblings—with all of them in their own world. You always tried to help anyone who needed help. You held down that VictoryLand for so many years—even when you were sick—you were still dedicated to that place. You helped so many people who needed or wanted a job, you got them hired... Deb, you also looked out for your own neighborhood... You raised a wonderful daughter, Kyoa, and a wonderful son, Mandarius, and don't forget those beautiful grandkids you had your arms around daily. I thank God for all our Sisters Only Trips to the mountains that bonded us even closer... Finally, Deb, we all are going to miss you and that beautiful smile. There will always be a void in our lives because your spot can never be replaced. We love you, Deb!!! Now the crew goes from 6 to 5... Tell Mom, Dad, and Alyssa hello and give them a big hug from us. So good-bye until in Heaven we meet again.*

## TRIBUTE TO SISTER FROM BROTHER

*Sister Debra, you were dear to us all. You showed love to everyone in the family. You made sure we were united as siblings. Our welfare was your concern, and we will miss that. Also, all the fun times shared together and all the laughter we had until we cried. Will definitely miss our weekly video calls every Wednesday and Thursday. Thank God for your giving spirit and not expecting anything in return. I will leave by saying this: "Did y'all see him? What's wrong with him." I love you, Deb.*

BROTHER

## *Pallbearers*

Family and Friends

## *Flower Bearers*

Family and Friends

## *Interment*

Rose Hill Cemetery

Tallassee, Alabama

## *Repast*

Family and Friends

1220 Warehouse Event Center

1220 Gilmer Avenue

Tallassee, Alabama 36078

## *Acknowledgement*

*We, the family, would like to extend special words of gratitude to all those who said a special prayer, came from near and far, gave a helping hand, or just stopped by to say sorry for our loss. To the ones who knew her so well and knew how much she loved everyone and everything and felt the need to show their love in return by being here for her family and for all the calls, cards, and everything... THANK YOU.*

*May God Bless you, one and all.*

*The Rivers, Lowe, and Dumas Family*

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## CELEBRATING HER LIFE & SPIRIT



DEBRA  
ANN DUMAS

*Noon*

SUNRISE  
January 19, 1959

SUNSET  
August 31, 2023

Saturday, September 9, 2023  
11:00 AM

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH  
82 Log Circle  
Tallassee, Alabama 36078

*Reverend Joseph Roswer III, Officiating Minister*



# Obituary

On Thursday, August 31, 2023, *Debra A. Dumas Moon* of Tallassee, Alabama, passed away at the age of 64.

Debra was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on January 19, 1959, to the late Coley Dumas, Jr., and Millie Jones Dumas.

Debra grew up in Tallassee Alabama, and graduated from Tallassee High School with the class of 1977. Debra was employed at VictoryLand for 39 years. She was a loyal and committed worker there. Her co-workers meant the world to her. She had much love for her work family, and they loved her dearly.

She confessed Christ at an early age and later joined Mt. Zion Baptist Church. She was a servant at heart—she served as a junior usher in her youth and later became a senior usher, president of the choir, and the church clerk. Debra loved the Lord!

The simplest pleasures in life brough great joy to Debra. She loved a quiet evening with family. She had an uncanny ability to find happiness in her daily activities. Her pleasant personality was contagious to everyone she met. She kept people rolling in laughter because she could find humor in the most mundane circumstances of life. Debra would do anything for her family, friends, and strangers. She LOVED fiercely.

Debra is survived by her daughter, Kyoa (Alfred) Rivers Sr. of Tallassee, AL; son, Mandarius (LaToya) Lowe, Sr., of Tallassee, AL; three sisters, Burdette Pratt of Austell, GA, Dorothy Miliner of Tallassee, AL, Doiscell Dumas of Winston, GA, and cousin/sister, Beverly (Freddie) Williams of Montgomery, AL; two brothers, Coley (Annie) Dumas of Montgomery, AL, and Ricky (Betty) Dumas of Tallassee, AL; three grandchildren, DeAndrea Lowe, Kaden Rivers, and Mandarius Lowe, Jr.; special family friend, Michael Dale Gibson; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Debra lived a full and warm life, filled with joy, happiness, kindness, and love. She will be affectionately remembered and greatly missed. Everyone who knew Debra knew how special she was. Debra was full of light and joy, traits that were obvious to all after even just a single meeting with her. We will miss her more than words can say!

*“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.”*  
*II TIMOTHY 4:7*

# Precious Memories



# Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Solo ..... Minister J.D. Oliver  
 Bethel Missionary Baptist Church  
 Troy, Alabama
- Scripture Readings:  
 Old Testament ..... Minister Ronnie Walker  
 New Testament ..... Minister Jalen Oliver
- Prayer ..... Minister J.D. Oliver
- Song
- Expressions ..... *Three Minutes, Please*  
 As a Church Member  
 As a Co-worker  
 As a Friend  
 As a Family Member
- Song
- Word of Encouragement ..... Pastor Steven Huntley  
 True Divine Baptist Church  
 Montgomery, Alabama
- Eulogy ..... Reverend Joseph Roswer III
- Recessional
- Postlude

