

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional
Clergy and Family

Crowning Ceremony

Opening Song
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

Scripture Reading

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection
"Heaven Waits For Me"

Remarks (2 minutes please)

Reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection
"Take Me To The King"

Eulogy

Benediction

Recessional
Clergy and Family

Interment

Mount Peace Cemetery
3111 W. Lehigh Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19132

Repast

The Pavilion Building
Community Room
3901 Conshohocken Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19131



As I Sit in Heaven

And I watch you everyday,
I try to let you know with signs
I never went away
I hear you when you're laughing,
And watch you as you sleep.
I even place my arms around you
to calm you as you weep,
I see you wish the days away,
Begging to have me home.
So I try to send you signs so you know you are not alone.
Don't feel guilty that you have life that I was denied to me.
Heaven is truly beautiful, just you wait and see.
So live your life, laugh again, enjoy yourself, be free!
Then I know with every breath you take
you'll be taking one for me.

Lovingly, Wanda/Polly

In Loving Memory of a Beautiful Soul

You gave us life to live as we please
You gave us love and support to follow our dreams
Your beauty lives forever deep in our soul
The memory of your love will fill our hearts
And we will never be alone
God made a wonderful mother
A mother who never grows old
He made her smile of sunshine
And he molded her heart of pure gold
If flowers grow in heaven Lord pick one for us
Place it in my mother's arms and tell her it's from us
Tell her we love her and miss her and when she turns to smile
Place a kiss upon her cheek and hold her for a while
Because remembering her is easy we do it everyday
But there's an ache within our hearts that will never go away

Carl, Toni, Ieshia & Willie Jr.



In Appreciation

The family of Wanda Merksion-Brumfield wishes to acknowledge with sincere appreciation and gratitude for the many acts of kindness, each gesture of sympathy, every prayer uttered, and the cards, text messages, and phone calls. We humbly thank you all for sharing this time of sorrow with us.



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God's Garden

God looked around His garden
And found an empty place
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He always takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.
He saw the road was getting rough
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.

Jahiem & Jai'liem



Wanda
MERKSION BRUMFIELD

FEBRUARY 21, 1960 — MAY 1, 2024

"Ms. Polly"

Celebrating
HER LIFE

SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024
VIEWING 10:00AM | SERVICE: 11:00AM

G. Choice Funeral Chapel
2530 N. Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19132

FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

Her Story



Wanda Merkson, 64, was born on February 21, 1960, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late Dorothy D. Holmon and was raised by the late Milton and Eva Merkson. She was affectionately known as "Polly". Surrounded by her loving family, Wanda transitioned from this earth to be in the presence of the Lord on May 1, 2024. She was a God-fearing woman and a spiritual soul who believed in the power of faith and prayer.

Wanda received her early education within the Philadelphia Public School system and graduated from William Penn High School in 1978. Being an avid learner, she continued her studies at various universities, including Camden Community College, Temple University, Philadelphia University, and Rutgers University to name a few. Fostering her love of caring for people, a Nursing degree and a degree in Early Childhood Education were two of the many degrees she obtained throughout her life. Wanda loved being a nurse and helping anyone she could.

In 1981, Wanda met and fell in love with Willie Brumfield, marking the beginning of a shared life of love and devotion that they continuously poured into their children and grandchildren. They entered the bonds of matrimony on August 21, 2007, in Las Vegas; reaffirming the love, affection, and commitment they enjoyed with each other for many decades.

Wanda was a very intelligent, ambitious, loving, and spunky child, who touched the hearts of everyone she encountered. She was a beautiful, strong, and courageous woman, who faced and conquered every adversity that came her way. Although Wanda maintained a hectic work schedule, whenever she could she thoroughly enjoyed spending time with friends and family, watching Young & the Restless and Big Freda, and enjoying her much loved Dunkin Donuts coffee.

Family was genuinely important to Wanda, but nothing was more significant than being a wife, a mom, and a grandmother. She loved her children and grandchildren more than anything and would do everything within her God-given power for them. A trustworthy and loyal being, Wanda was someone you could go to for a listening ear, a wise word of advice, and great encouragement in times of need. She had such a kind and caring spirit and a truly unmatched personality. She was a down-to-earth soul, who held no punches when she expressed how she felt about anything. Many can attest that she made the best seafood salad ever, even though she was severely allergic to seafood...now that was a special kind of love shown right there!

Wanda will be truly missed by her family, loved ones, and all who knew her. She was preceded in death by her older brothers, Ernest Holmon and Robert Holmon, and her cousin, Efloris Gyan.

Wanda is survived by her loving husband, Willie Brumfield Sr. She leaves to cherish her memories, him and her children, Carl Merkson, Toni Merkson, Ieshia Brumfield, and Willie Brumfield Jr.; her grandsons, Jahiem Brumfield, Jai'liem Brumfield, and Shawniez "Buddha" Jones; her stepdaughters, Robin Campbell and Tracy Brumfield; her siblings, Gwendolyn Holmon-Bailey (Robert Bailey), Cathy (Holmon) Russell, Yvonne (Holmon) Goldstein (Alfred Washington), Anthony "Tony" Holmon, and Browne Mitchell; her special sisters, Keturah Evans and Roshawn Newton; her godson, Omar Bandy, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, special daughters and sons, cousins, extended family and friends...a list far too vast to name.

Lovingly Submitted,

The Family



To My Wife

Thank you for your endless love,
That will help me through each day.
And thank you for the memories
that will never fade away.
You're the woman I loved
and I was proud to be your husband.
And everyday - in some small way -
I will celebrate your life.
As long as memories last,
you will stay in my heart.

Your Loving Husband

