



SISTER



DAUGHTER

Acknowledgement

The Coates family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, food and phone calls during our time of bereavement.

May the Lord continue to bless each of you.

pallbearers

Kelly Lewis Jr.

Terry Lewis Jr.

Diquon Akins Sr.

Terrance Nooner Sr.

Mark Jackson

Terron Smith

Honorary

pallbearers

Harland Lewis Sr.

Terry Lewis Sr.

Patrick Lewis Sr.

Kelly Lewis Sr.

Ernest Darnell Lewis

Darnell Akins Sr.

Don't Cry For Me Today

Don't cry for me today,
I wouldn't want it this way.

Be strong and smile,
for you will see me in a while.

I know you miss me,
but now in Heaven I will be.

Do not keep your sad face.
I am in a much better place.

Do not let your tears fall,
for I cannot wipe them all.

Yes, my life wasn't long,

But I'm begging you to be strong.

Live every moment as if it were your last.

I won't forget any memories
that have passed.

Cherish life and love
as I watch you from above.

As I remember all of the good things,
I come to see I have gotten my wings.

It is time to go and fly.

As your guardian angel I will try.

Don't cry for me today.

I'm on my way.

Soaring through the sky,

I watch all of you telling me goodbye.

A Celebration of Life Teresa Marie Coates

Sunrise:
February 6, 1961



Sunset:
February 21, 2023



We Entrusted Our Loved One To The Golden Care Of:

GOLDEN GATE

Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC
2800 East 18th Street ~ Kansas City, MO 64127
(816) 255-3676

"A Service Designed...With You In Mind"

Trinity Temple Church Of God In Christ

11922 Food Lane, Grandview, Missouri 64030

Officiant:

Saturday, March 4, 2023

Visitation 10 a.m.-12 p.m. -Service 12:00 p.m.

Interment: Blue Ridge Lawn Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri 64129

~ Reflections of Her Life ~
Teresa Marie Coates

On February 6, 1961 Teresa Marie Coates was born the fourth of eleven children to Rev. Garland and Evangelist Gloria Lewis in Kansas City, Missouri.

Teresa professed her love of Christ at an early age and attended Good Shepherd Spiritual Church of Christ where her dad was pastor. She loved to sing in the choir and often sang lead. Everyone loved to hear her powerful rendition of "Traveling Shoes."

Teresa received her education from Kansas City Missouri Public Schools, graduating from Northeast High School in 1979. After graduation Teresa worked various jobs in the retail industry. Her love for fashion led her to work for Charlie's Clothing Store on Independence Avenue. Once Charlie's closed their doors, she became a deli manager at Hen House then Price Chopper in Overland Park, KS. She was a devoted worker and adored by coworkers and customers alike. She went above and beyond to put a smile on their faces by wearing festive hats and headpieces for the holidays of which she used her creativity to make. Her customer service and creative hats led her to being featured on the news.

In 1982, Teresa met and married the love of her life, Keith. They were two peas in a pod. Keith affectionally called her his "Tree-Tree" and when you saw one you saw the other. They were always the life of the party and were known to be one of the first couples on the dance floor at family gatherings.

Teresa was a diva. She loved all things of fashion and was always put together from head to toe, even while sitting in the house. Her style extended into her home. It was well decorated, and she kept her house pristine. Although she was a girlie girl, Teresa was an avid Chiefs fan who would host gatherings every Sunday to watch the game. She loved the Chiefs and was excited when they recently won the Super Bowl.

Teresa departed this life on February 21, 2023 surrounded by her loving family. She is preceded in death by her husband Keith; parents, Rev. Garland and Evangelist Gloria Lewis; brother, Donald Brown; and sons, Kenneth and Anthony Lewis.

Teresa leaves to cherish her memory her son Ernest Darnell Lewis (Gina); bonus children Alysia and Dwayne Coates, Sr., siblings Judy Wilson (Ronald), Linda Lewis, Harland Lewis (Belinda) Sherry Reese (Anthony), Terry Lewis (Marsha), Shawn Lewis, Patrick Lewis (Carol), Shelly Lewis (Jewell), and Kelly Lewis (Teresa); sister-in-law Joyce Brown; grandchildren Alonna Burk, Ginelle Lewis, Eric La Pardus, Anthony La Pardus and Emile Warren; great-grandchildren Jaden Lewis and Emry Warren; and host of other special relatives and friends.

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Order of Service

~ Processional ~
 Clergy & Family

~ Prayer ~
 Bishop Eric D. Morrison

~ Scripture ~
 Felicia Collins

~ Musical Selection. ~
 Lavert Hooker

~ Acknowledgements &
 Condolences ~
 Ashley Black

~ Musical Selection. ~
 Monica Carter

~ Life's Reflection ~
 Video Presentation

~ Remarks ~
 Shawn Lewis • Thomas Glover
 Jewell Williams • Joyce Brown
 Two (2) Minutes Please

~ Musical Selection ~
 Mia Ramsey

~ Words of Comfort ~
 Pastor Eric Morrison

~ Benediction ~

~ Recessional ~

~ Interment ~
Blue Ridge Lawn Cemetery
 2640 Blue Ridge Blvd, KCMO 64129