



Ms. Joyce McRath

May 2, 1951 - November 27, 2025

Joyce McRath, lovingly known as "Momma J" and "Granny," departed this life on Thursday, November 27, 2025, in Lynchburg, Virginia. She was born on May 2, 1951, in Elizabethton, Tennessee, to Charles and Mary Horton McRath.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Andre Underwood.

To cherish her memory, Joyce leaves behind her daughters, Tiffany (Sly) Taylor and Tonya (Michael) Stewart; sons, Travis (Tara) McRath and Troy McRath; grandchildren, Kahlil Pinson, Sydney (Paula) Butler McRath, Taj (Lee) McRath, Tayson Stewart, Trey Kowalski, Cameron (Henry) Ramirez, Sydney Taylor, Tameria McRath, Marquis Bush, Robert (Roe) Webster, Amaya Watson, and Presley Stafford; great-grandchildren, Noah and Letti Ramirez; brother, Kenneth (Sandra) McRath; godchildren, Joy McKesson Bass, Evon Watson, and Robert Bud Webster; special friends and family, Carl Maser, Derby Smith, Gladys Watson, Greg Wash, Shelea Birks, and Christine Evans.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PA

“ *Phyllis Askew lit a candle in memory of Ms. Joyce McRath*



Phyllis Askew - December 15, 2025 at 05:17 PM

CA

“ *Crystal Anderso lit a candle in memory of Ms. Joyce McRath*



crystal anderso - December 13, 2025 at 02:41 PM

VP

“ *Viola Patton sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Joyce McRath*



Viola Patton - December 09, 2025 at 01:09 PM

AD

“ *All my love to Tiffany, Travis, Troy, Tonya, Ricky and the gang. We go back like babies and pacifiers. From Church Street to Arney Street and beyond. I love you guys and I know that Joyce & Bocky Lemon are up in Heaven cracking the crowd up!*

angie duffield - December 08, 2025 at 09:01 AM

KM

Love & Miss You ... Ricky ❤️🙏!!!

Ken McRath - January 09 at 10:08 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Joyce’s passing. Sending prayers and hugs to her family. May she rest in peace.



Ann (Machen)Pritchard - December 07, 2025 at 10:39 AM

AT

“ Rip. Joyce. No more pain. Prayers for your family.



Arnold Thomas - December 06, 2025 at 02:45 PM

NF

“ Narcote-Stedfast Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Joyce McRath.

Narcote-Stedfast Family - December 05, 2025 at 12:47 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Joyce McRath.



December 05, 2025 at 12:47 PM

CC

“ My heart weeps with you all. I'm Carol, Andre's sister and have known Joyce for quite a few years. I talked to her numerous times before meeting her in person. Andre and Joyce kept each other going in their own way. I will miss our calls and talks to allow us to go on. Tonya, Tiffany and all, please stay in contact with me. Family forever, Aunt Carol!

Carol Cox - December 03, 2025 at 04:14 PM

GR

“ Georgetta Robinson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Joyce McRath.

Georgetta Robinson - December 03, 2025 at 12:56 PM

GR

“ Georgetta Robinson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Joyce McRath.



Georgetta Robinson - December 03, 2025 at 12:56 PM

GS

“ We offer our sincere condolences to Joyce's family. We were not only neighbors but we were cousins. My grandmother, Sevela McRath Machen and Joyce's father were first cousins. I have, always cherished this family. May GOD comfort you all during this difficult time.

Gwendolyn & Ronald Smith

Gwendolyn B Smith - December 03, 2025 at 09:19 AM

MD

“ *Melvin Drumgoole sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Joyce McRath*



Melvin Drumgoole - December 03, 2025 at 07:23 AM