

God's Garden

by Melissa Shreve

*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
With the help of his angels
they flew you to your heavenly place
Gods garden must be beautiful,
he always takes the best
He knew 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
and the hills too hard to climb
He closed your weary eyelids
and whispered "Peace be Thine"
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.*

*We thank God for the beautiful life of our
mother, our grandmother and friend.
We thank each of you for your love,
kindness, tributes, and prayers during
our time of bereavement.*

*Humbly submitted,
The Family*

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SERVICE IN REMEMBRANCE OF



Frances Delaine
UNDERWOOD

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Frances' Story

Frances Delaine Underwood was the fifth child born to the union of Robert and Fannie Butler in Chattanooga Tennessee on April 24, 1942. She attended Orchard Knob High School. In 1958, she met and married Wallace Underwood, Sr. From this union, three children were born, Janice, Wallace, and Sheryl.

Frances later moved from Chattanooga to New York City, and eventually settled in Cleveland, Ohio. It was here where she met and fell in love with James Wiggins. From this union, two children, Jeannette and Gregory were born. She was a dedicated mother and remained home with her children while they were young.

From 1966 to 1973, Frances worked at the renowned Cleveland Clinic in the Transportation Department. She retired from AVI Food Systems in 2007, after 11 years as a Vending Machine Operator. Frances had a strong work ethic. She was a punctual and conscientious worker that was well respected by her co-workers and managers.

As a woman of deep faith, Frances was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses on June 25, 1994. She attended the Woodhill Congregation in Cleveland, Ohio and studied her Bible daily. Frances loved serving Jehovah and was an active member in the door-to-door ministry.

Frances was full of good humor and kept everyone laughing. She was an exceptional dancer and loved rhythm and blues. Frances was also a good cook, who enjoyed baking. Her favorite baked goods were sweet potato pies, peach cobblers, and pound cakes. Frances' other hobbies included knitting, growing indoor plants and ironing, which she found relaxing. Yellow was her favorite color.

But what lit up Frances' eyes and her heart were the treasured times that she spent with her children and grandchildren. Her family blessings include over 47 immediate family members.

In the early morning of March 27, 2021, Frances slept peacefully and entered into eternal rest. She was predeceased by her mother and father, sisters Annie Pearl Kane, Fannie Smith, Bobbie Jean Whitfield, and brothers William Herbert Butler and Melvin Butler. Frances will be loved and forever cherished by her sister Lillian Henderson (Nashville, Tennessee); caregiver and daughter Jeanette Underwood, Janice (Underwood, Benford) Hughley (Dewayne), Sheryl Underwood-Cooper; and sons Wallace Underwood and Gregory Lamar Underwood (Sherrie Taylor). Frances had 17 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren, and she was especially close to her niece Vanessa Mitchell (El Paso, Texas) and granddaughter Lavita Benford. Frances will be missed and lovingly remembered by a host of other family members and friends.

