



Ms. Anna Mae Wilson Robertson

March 5, 1924 - May 30, 2025

Mother Anna Mae Wilson Robertson was born Anna Mae Wilson on March 5, 1924, in Sledge, Mississippi, to Hazel Ward and Frank Wilson. She had one sibling, a younger brother, Zerdee Griffen.

Mother Robertson married John D. Robertson. Their union was blessed with eight children: Janice Banyard, Denise Muhammad (Sultan Muhammad), Sheree Robertson, Dawn Robertson, Melody

Hendrix, Regina Robertson, Angela Robertson, and John D. Robertson, Jr.

Mother Robertson and her brother were orphaned after their mother died when they were young. In her late teens, she enlisted in the Women's

Auxiliary Army Corps, a/k/a Women's Army Corps (WAC),

in March 1943 to become self-sufficient and to serve her country during World

War II. Mother Robertson was a member of the WAC unit, 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, the United States Army's first all-

female, predominately African American battalion to serve overseas during World War II. The battalion's duty was to sort and redirect a backlog of mail, about 17 million pieces, in Birmingham, England, and in

Rouen, France.

Mother Robertson was honorably discharged from the Army in December

1945. In 1946, Evelyn Ross, a member of the battalion, invited her to

Milwaukee to attend a wedding. She traveled to Milwaukee for the wedding, liked the city and stayed.

Mother Robertson had a nurturing and caring spirit. After moving to

Milwaukee, she worked for Woods Hospital, a/k/a Clement J. Zablocki Veterans Administration and Medical Center, as a nurse's aide, a/k/a certified nursing assistant, caring for sick veterans. She also worked for the Milwaukee County Hospital and St. Camillus in similar positions, caring for the sick.

Mother Robertson accepted Christ as her personal savior at an early age in Osceola, Arkansas, where she was raised. She attended school in that city. After she moved to Milwaukee, Mother Robertson attended Westside Church of God in Christ. At the time of her passing, Mother Robertson was a member of Tabernacle Community Baptist Church, under the pastorate of Reverend Dr. Donna Childs where she continued to grow in Christ. She was appointed as a Mother of the church.

Mother Robertson received numerous honors and awards.

- In March 2022, President Joseph Biden signed legislation into law awarding the Congressional Gold Medal to the 6888th battalion.
- In November 2019, the American Veterans Center presented Mother Robertson with the American Valor award, which honors and recognizes military heroes/heroines.
- In 2014, she received the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, the Women's Army Corps Service Medal, and the World War II Medal.

Mother Robertson was a mother without complaints who dedicated and focused her life on raising her

eight children. She made sacrifices for them and taught them life lessons.

Mother Robertson also assisted in caring for some of her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great-great grandchildren are part of her legacy.

Mother Robertson was a resilient woman. Mother Robertson was raised in the segregated South under Jim Crow laws. While living in Milwaukee, she actively demonstrated her opposition to racial injustice and racial segregation by taking her eight children on open housing marches in Milwaukee in 1960s. She enjoyed watching sporting events on television, like basketball, football

and other athletic competitions. She especially enjoyed attending her grandchildren's basketball and football games. Mother Robertson enjoyed cooking, baking and serving Sunday dinner in her home until she was in her early 90s. Mother Robertson was happiest when she was surrounded by her family.

Mother Robertson had an easy-going personality, which she showed inside her home and outside of it. She carried that spirit throughout her life. Mother Robertson simply got along well with everyone. And, she had a beautiful simile that would light up a room.

The Lord called Mother Robertson home on May 30, 2025. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, son, great grandson, Kevin Michael Pittman Jr., granddaughter, Precious Banyard, and great-great granddaughter Taylor Mickey. Mother Robertson leaves to cherish her memory, her daughters, grandchildren, Monalisa, Kenya, Kemba, Tic. Kennetta, Kenneth, Jr., Dyresha (Brandon), Alpacino (Tiara), Anthony (Toni), Luther III (Sharmila), John, Danella, Melissa, Tommie, Shiro, Jaelynn, and Jonathan. She is also survived by her great grandchildren, great- great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, a special nephew, Lamont Gregory, cousins, family, friends, and her Tabernacle family.

Mother Robertson relied on her faith and trust in her Lord and her Savior as she journeyed through life.

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Memorial Park

5402 N. 91st Street
Milwaukee, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 7. 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Tabernacle Community Baptist Church
2500 W. Medford Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Funeral Service

JUN 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GC

“ *Geneva Carlisle lit a candle in memory of Ms. Anna Mae Wilson Robertson*



Geneva Carlisle - June 07, 2025 at 07:45 AM

LE

“ *Rest well Auntie! Thank you for serving. Love your great- niece, Enwood Robertson's granddaughter Rhonda.*

Leronda - June 07, 2025 at 03:41 AM

LD

“ *To the Family of Anna M Robertson: Although I didn't have the privilege of knowing her, I want to commend your cherished loved one for the honor she brought to our country by serving in the 6888th Battalion during WWII. What a proud distinction all of her descendants will always have, knowing she stepped up in personal sacrifice to serve our country. I appreciate her service also because my mother, born in 1926, served on the home front as a 'Wendy the Welder' at the Kaiser Shipyards in Vancouver, Washington during WWII. She was a welder on the Victory ships that were used during the War. For those young women in the 1940's to step up and do what they did, was truly amazing, especially as your mother did with her overseas service. Blessed be the memory of Anna M Robertson. Sincerely, Laura Hill DeMoss*

Laurie M DeMoss - June 04, 2025 at 12:10 PM

TR

“ *Tashari, RN purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Ms. Anna Mae Wilson Robertson.*



Tashari, RN - June 04, 2025 at 08:52 AM

TA

“ *I would like to extend my heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Anna's family and friends. Although I only had the pleasure of spending a little time with her, I truly adored her. I will always cherish her big beautiful smile and the moments we shared; it has been truly an honor to know her.*

Please know that I'm here for her children and the family during this challenging time. Whether you need someone to talk to or assistance with anything, I'm just a call away.

Regrettably, I have to work this Saturday and won't be able to attend. However, I will send flowers to express my support and condolences in my absence.

On another note, I also want to take a moment to express my gratitude for the remarkable service of the 6888. Thank you for your contributions and for shining a positive light on Black women. Your efforts have paved the way for many opportunities for us, and we are truly grateful for your legacy.

*With deepest sympathy,
Tashari, RN*

Tashari - June 04, 2025 at 08:41 AM

DG

I had the pleasure of being at Ms. Anna Mae Robertson's 100th birthday party. It was so beautiful, all the tributes she received from family and friends while she could yet hear and see them. Such a nice and big family. She was special and I know you all will miss her. She is lying in the bussom of God, resting peacefully.. My heartfelt condolences, I am praying for you, family.,,(Thank you for your service Ms. Anna Mae Robertson)

Debbie Goldsberry - June 06, 2025 at 08:05 PM

DM

“ *May Our God Continue To Wrap The Entire Robertson Family With His Loving Arms. I Want To Say Thank You To Janice, Sheree. & Dawn For Allowing Me An Opportunity To Meet Your Beloved Mother Anna Mae Robertson.*



Dr. Cherli Montgomery - June 03, 2025 at 09:11 PM

JJ

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Jarvis Jones - June 03, 2025 at 04:16 PM

JJ

*Sending Prayers of healing to The Family of Mrs Anna Mae Robertson . Praise God for blessing her with a beautiful loving family who nurtured and cared for their mother . Mrs Anna Mae Robertson thank you for your sacrifice and Service to America
Your Neighbor Geraldine Ward and Family - Jarvis Jones Tiburon California Formerly of Milwaukee
May your legacy live on for generations to come*

Jarvis Jones - June 03, 2025 at 07:00 PM

MG

“ *Mildred Green lit a candle in memory of Ms. Anna Mae Wilson Robertson*



Mildred Green - June 03, 2025 at 10:37 AM