



Ms. Joycelyn B. Thrasher

September 19, 1933 - November 30, 2023

JOYCELYN B. THRASHER was born on September 19, 1933 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to Ruth L. Nance and John Wesley Thrasher.

Joyce received her formal education at St. Benedict the Moore and Lincoln High School in Milwaukee. She later furthered her education at Milwaukee Area Technical College.

Joyce accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age and she was united with St. Benedict for several years before becoming a very active member at St. Mark A.M.E. Church.

In 1953 Joycelyn B. Thrasher was united in holy matrimony to John L. Killebrew, Jr in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Their union was blessed with four beautiful daughters.

Firmly believing in the principles of hard work and dedicated, Joyce was employed by WE Energies, formerly Wisconsin Gas Co as a Customer Support Specialist. She retired after 31 years of service.

In her leisure time, Joyce enjoyed cooking, sewing and crossword puzzles, but her favorite pastime of all was shopping. She was a member of St. Benedict School, the Walnut Street Social Club and St. Mark A.M.E. Church. While at St. Mark, Joyce was a member of the Anvil Choir, Conference Choir and

Women's Missionary Society. She also served as president of the Pastor's Aid Ministry and she volunteered for Vacation Bible School as well.

On November 30, 2023 Joycelyn B. Thrasher departed this life. She was

preceded in death by her parents, Ruth L. Nance and John Wesley Thrasher; daughter, Linda Canada, brothers, Wadamar, Wesley and Brian Thrasher and grandson, Eric Lamont Clinton.

She leaves to cherish her memory, three daughters, Brenda J. Clinton (Nera), Laurise Killebrew- Reese and Debra Smith; seven grandchildren, Anissa, Sheila, Ericka, Enineva, Cynthia, Leonard and Christopher; two step-grandchildren, Dewayne and Sharmin Reese; fourteen great grandchildren, five great-great grandchildren; three nephews; three nieces, Maurice (Skippy), Larry, Johnny, Maritta, Maureen (Jody) and Theresa; three great nieces, four great nephews; sister-in-love, Norma "Billie" Jean Sims, two very close friends, Glenda Jamison and Bernie special neighbors, Cora and Karen Booker and a host of great-great nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Northwest Cremation Services

6630 W. Hampton Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53218

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mark AME Church
1616 W. Atkinson Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Funeral Service

DEC 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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1616 W. Atkinson Ave
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Tribute Wall

DR

“ My sister in Christ,

Thank you for being steadfast and your decision making. Thank you for being a positive influence in my life. I will keep you in my thoughts and in my memories. Rest in heaven you are a god fearing woman!!!!!!!! 🙏📖🙏🖼️❤️📱¹⁰⁰

Deacon, Melvin L. Reese - December 15, 2023 at 08:43 PM

PB

“ Mama Joyce as I affectionately call her....

A strong woman. A Queen in her own right 👑. An ethical woman full of compassion. I loved her sense of humor and old school ❤️

Pastor Lazonnie Belton - December 15, 2023 at 08:37 PM

JJ

“ Grandma Joyce was a loving parent to my BFF Debra who I've been friends with over 40 years 💕 I will always remember her helpful hand and real talk, Ms. Thrasher will always be remember for her cooking, creative ideas, and love for her family.
RIH 💕 LOVE YOU, Johnnie Johnson

Johnnie Johnson - December 15, 2023 at 08:06 PM

JJ

“ To Debra Killebrew Smith and Family, You have my deepest sympathy to you and your family. Praying for all, at this most difficult time. Sincerely, Johnny (Sharon) Chesnut.



Johnny M Chesnut Jr - December 15, 2023 at 07:19 PM

BC

“ *My name is Brenda Joyce Killebrew-Clinton, Joycelyn's oldest daughter. Memories that I will always cherish*



My Mother passed away on Thursday November 30th from Alzheimers Disease. she was blessed to be able to live on this earth for 90 years. I will always cherish the special moment that I was able to spend with her before she passed away. being able to sit by her bedside holding and rubbing her hand, singing and talking to her and telling her Thank You! for raising Me, my Identical Twin Sister Linda, who is now (deceased) my Sister's Laurice Reese and Debra Smith by yourself as a Single Mother. You made sure that we never had to want for anything. I told her that she did a Fantastic Job, and that all that are still here will be Ok! I will also cherish the memory of being able to watch my Husband, Nera Clinton Jr go to the otherside of her bed and take hold of her hand, and listen to him as he prayed for her, and then tell her "Mom Jehovah has made a promise to you and all of mankind, it is stated in the Bible at Revelation 21:4 and this is what it states: And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. he then rubbed her hand and told her "Mom even though we don't want you to leave us, it's Ok! close your eyes Mom, because when Jehovah wakes you up, Your Family will be waiting to greet you.

BRENDA CLINTON - December 12, 2023 at 11:18 AM

BK

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November 30th from Alzheimers Disease. she
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that she did a Fantastic Job, and that all that are still here will be
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Family will be waiting to greet you.*

Brenda Joyce Killebrew - December 12, 2023 at 09:52 AM

BD

“ Good Morning,
My Mom passed away last Thursday from alzheimers.
Jehovah allowed her to live on this earth for 90 years.
I will always cherish the special moment that I was able to spend
with her before she passed away. being able to sit by her bedside
holding and rubbing her hand, singing and talking to her and telling
her Thank You! for raising Me and My Sister's By
Yourself alone as a Single
Mother.
Also telling her that she did a Fantastic Job.
In addition also being able to see my Husband, her only
Son in Law Nera Clinton Jr
walk to the otherside of her bed and take hold of her hand, and tell
her ^ Mom
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to greet You.

Brenda J Killebrew Clinton her oldest da - December 10, 2023 at 06:41 PM

BD

“ Thinking about My Mom Joycelyn B Thrasher who passed away on November 30, 2023
I will always cherish the special moment that I was able to spend with her, before she passed away. being able to sit by her bedside holding and rubbing her hand, singing and talking to her and telling her Thank You! for raising Me and my Sister's By Yourself alone as a Single Mother.
Also telling her that she did a Fantastic Job. and in addition being able to see my Husband her only Son in Law Nera Clinton Jr walk to the otherside of her bed and take hold of her hand, and tell her "Mom I am going to talk to Jehovah for you. and hearing him Pray for her, and then talk to her and tell her" Mom Jehovah has made a promise to you and all of mankind, it is stated in the Bible at Revelation 21:4 and this is what it states:
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Brenda J Killebrew Clinton her oldest da - December 07, 2023 at 07:29 PM

BO

“ *Brenda J Killebrew-Clinton * Het Oldest lit a candle in memory of Ms. Joycelyn B. Thrasher*



Brenda J Killebrew-Clinton * Het Oldest - December 06, 2023 at 06:17 PM

JK

“ *My Angel On Earth Is Now My Angel In Heaven. I remember her taking me shopping and to get my hair in a French roll like her. We Sang In The Mass Choir together, She taught me how to cook, how to iron my clothes properly. She taught me how to be a Lady. Kind Heart, Willing to Help Where She Can and Always, Always There For Me. I Have So Many Memories with her and will forever cherish them. I Love You Grandma Joyce, Please watch over us and come visit anytime* □□□



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Jenelle Killebrew - December 06, 2023 at 02:12 PM