



## Mrs. Mary Louise Wilkins

January 14, 1934 - September 27, 2019

Mary Louise Manning (affectionately referred to as "Madea"), was born January 14, 1934 to the late Lillie Mae Frost-Jones and the late Roosevelt Manning. She professed Christ at an early age and joined Douglas Chapel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. W. N. Brewster.

Mary Louise attended and graduated from Washington High School and attended one year of college at Arkansas Baptist College in Little Rock, Arkansas.

After a Sunday night of singing with the Douglas Chorus she caught the eye of who became the love of her life, Ellis. They joined in holy matrimony on January 12, 1954 and had been married for 65 years and 9 months at the time of her death.

Mary Louise was proud and often bragged about having 18 sisters and brothers. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by brothers Lessell, Rothell, Friley, Theodore and Carl Manning; Bobby Ray, Franklin and Delano Jones; sisters Florice "Sugar Lump" Graham, Oletha Johnson, and Shirley Ray Jones-Maule.

Left to cherish her memory is her "boyfriend" Dr. Ellis Wilkins; daughters Connie, Cynthia and Charlotte Wilkins, Chyrel (Rev. Clarence) Thornton all of Little Rock, Arkansas; Helen (John) Christian) of Strong Arkansas; Dwanda (Rev. Rufus) Robinson of Texarkana, Arkansas, and David (Scheena) Wilkins of El Dorado. Sisters Jackie (Alton) Stennis, Linda Liddell of Pine Bluff Arkansas, Virginia Williams of Los Angeles, California; Genell Jones-Bailey;

George (Melanie) Jones, Jr., Roy L. (Ina) Jones, and Roosevelt Jones all of Lancaster, CA; three special daughters Darlene Smith, Lisa Kimball and Valarie Easter. She was blessed with 21 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

# Cemetery Details

**Ship-Out Arkansas**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

OCT 5. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Damascus Baptist Church  
2447 N. 27th Street  
Milwaukee, WI

### Service

OCT 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Pastor Aaron Morgan lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Louise Wilkins*



Pastor Aaron Morgan - October 04, 2019 at 09:36 PM

PM

*Pastor Wilkins, we send our prayers and sympathy to you, the Wilkins and Damascus Family on behalf of the Baptist Ministers of Greater Milwaukee, Rev. Aaron Morgan, President.*

Pastor Aaron Morgan - October 04, 2019 at 09:44 PM

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“ *Extending our prayers for the Vice President at Large - Reverend Dr. Ellis Wilkins and Family and the Damascus Missionary Baptist Church on behalf of the General Baptist State Convention of Wisconsin, President Reverend Dr. Garry Levy.*



Dr. Dessie Levy - October 04, 2019 at 04:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Louise Wilkins.*



October 03, 2019 at 10:54 PM



“ *Theodoris Canada lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Louise Wilkins*



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**Theodoris Canada** - October 03, 2019 at 08:17 AM



“ *Lucretia Sullivan Wade lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Mary Louise Wilkins*



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**Lucretia Sullivan Wade** - October 02, 2019 at 06:15 AM