

Pallbearers

Ken Aldridge
Miles Brumfield
Damon Rodgers
Daequan Rodgers
Damon Rodgers, Jr.
Terry Taylor II

Internment

Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery
1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Professional Services Entrusted to
Carter-Taylor-Williams Mortuary
601 N Center St.
San Antonio, TX 78202

After the Internment the family will be heading to
Tony G's for a time of fellowship
915 S Hackberry St, San Antonio, TX 78210

Please note if you plan to attend, everyone is responsible for their meal

Gratuity automatically added to bill

Menu: Fried Chicken or Fried Catfish

Sides: Mashed Potatoes, Yams and
Collard Greens

Dessert: Peach Cobbler
Drink included

Celebrating
The life of



Melba Jean Barnes

March 28, 1946 ~ August 9, 2022

Obituary in Loving Memory

Melba Jean Barnes was born March 28, 1946 to Manard Lee and Bertha Mae Giles in Yoakum, Texas. Raised in the church, she enjoyed singing in the choir, led prayer services and traveled to surrounding cities with the choir.

Over the years, Melba continued to be an active member in her church by singing in the choir and being an usher. She's currently, a member of The Door and previously attended Greater Lincoln Park Temple (Conquerors Assembly) and Faith Temple in San Antonio, Texas. While at Greater Lincoln Park, Melba sang in B.C. and the Voices of Zion with her mother and 4 sisters (Pearlie, Wilma, Lucinda, and Leona). **Mom's favorites:** gospel singer - Shirley Caesar, song - Blessed Assurance and her favorite scripture - Psalms 34:1 *"I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth."*

A proud alum of Asberry High, Melba ran track and played baseball, volleyball and basketball, as well as being the captain of the basketball team. She participated in different activities: band, flute, harmonica, piano, guitar, cheerleading and was runner up for Homecoming queen. Over the years, Melba has enjoyed attending the Asberry Class reunions. Known to her family and friends as "Superstar Jean", she took pride in being active in her community and always treating people the way she wanted to be treated.





Melba loved her family dearly, always being there with a kind word, an ear to listen and provide advice or a prayer. This love and commitment showed brightly in her 29-year commitment to the Pleasant Grove Cemetery located in Yoakum, Texas. It was a labor of love for her and rooted in preserving the Giles family legacy.

Melba worked in Hospice Crisis Care for the 20 years before her retirement. She cared for several prominent families in the San Antonio area and was requested by name. All her families held a special place in her heart.

She made her transition from this earthly life to eternal rest on August 9, 2022. She leaves behind her husband, Alfred Barnes, her 3 daughters (Charlotte, Marcia and Shawnte), 9 grandchildren (CeCe, Marcus, Terry, Damon Jr, Miles, Daequan, and Daeja (Daveon and Davonna precede her in death)); 5 great-grandchildren (Aaliyah, Aaniyah, MJ, Mekhi, and Mila), 6 sisters (Rosetta, Pearlie, Myrtha, Wilma, Lucinda, and Leona), a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family. Her mother, father, brothers (Willie, Manard Jr., and James) and sister Stella, precede her in death.

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, prayers, and kindness shown to us. A sincere thanks to Christus VNA Hospice for the special care that they provided. May God bless and keep you.

The Barnes Family



I Didn't Get to Say "I Love You" or "Goodbye"

Well, I didn't wake up this time. I went to bed, said my prayers, happy, confident, full of life. I was looking forward to another day, to pray, read the bible, talk to my children, everyone, but now I am resting in the bosom of Jesus Christ.

Now, the race I fought so hard to win is finished. I stand in victory, promise, purpose, heavenly home.

I want to let you know I love you and enjoy this day the Lord has made, rejoice, praise the Lord, jump, shout, this is what I did when I was with you. Cry if you must.

Goodbye my family.

LOVE YOU!
Melba Giles Barnes

Wonderful Mother

By Patrick O'Reilly

God made a wonderful mother,
A mother who never grows old;
He made her smile of the sunshine.
And He moulded her heart of pure gold;
In her eyes He placed bright shining stars,
In her cheeks fair roses you see;
God made a wonderful mother,
And He gave that dear mother to me.



Order of Service

Music

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading

Eulogy

Obituary Reading Silently

Family & Friend Tributes
Limit to 2 minutes please

Closing Music

Depart for Ft. Sam Houston Cemetery

