



Joyce Mason

December 4, 1946 - December 30, 2022

Joyce Lee Mason (Lewis) 76 years old of Dover, Delaware peacefully transitioned to be with the Lord on Friday, December 30, 2022.

She was born in Coppersville Unionville, MD on December 4, 1946, to Preston Raikes and Louise Lewis. She is the third born of six children. She received her early education in the public schools of Easton, MD. In 1962 she married James E Mason Jr (pre-deceased), and they had three children together. Later in her life, she met her beloved partner Roy Davis. They shared two children. While raising her family she also obtained a certification as a medical assistant and phlebotomist. For much of her career, she worked in the Delaware State Prison System in their medical units impacting lives until she retired. The inmates affectionately called her Nurse Mason.

Joyce Mason was a people's person who loved caring for and mentoring people. She enjoyed cooking, singing, and dancing. She most loved being surrounded by family and friends. Her home was always open to others as a safe haven attributed to her nurturing spirit. No matter the time or occasion you could always count on her infectious laugh and lighthearted spirit to bring life to any party. She also had a big sense of humor and didn't mind telling stories of experiences throughout her life. She also knew how to put you in your place if you got lost. She had a way of getting what she needed to say said. To know Joyce was to love Joyce and most have fond memories of her

tight hugs and wet kisses. One of her favorite songs to sing and dance to was “This Girl is on Fire,” by Alicia Keys. That song embodied who she was. ON FIRE!

Joyce also loved the Lord. Her beautiful songbird voice could always be heard in the church congregation singing along with the choir and praising God. She always referred to herself as a congregante singer. On the Sundays when she didn't attend church you could still find her at home, in the spirit, playing her favorite gospel songs yelling “Hallelujah – Thank you Jesus!” as she danced around the house.” She also kept her bible at the foot of her bed that she loved to study from and make notes in. She really enjoyed learning more about the Lord.

Joyce is survived by her siblings Joan Moxley, Rena Lewis, and Preston Lewis; Her children Anita Mason-Daniels (Abel), James E. Mason II, Anthony Mason (Frank), Keith Mason and Kevin Mason; Her 8 grandchildren Joy Minus (Travis), Kevin Mason Jr., Jasmine Mason, Keshawn Mason, Jakeila Mason, Sierra Cruz, James Mason III; 7 great grandchildren Amir Hite, Ariel Hite, Chloe Walton, Alexander Mullins Jr, Maison Donato, Brynx Mason-Hamilton, Denym Mason-Walker; two special aunts Thelma Lewis and Doris Russum; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family which are too many to name.

She was preceded in death by her parents Preston Raikes and Loise Lewis, her brother James (Jimmy) Lewis, and her sister Ernestine Coronado.

Her love, joy and laughter will be greatly missed by all.

Previous Events

Viewing

JAN 14. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shiloh Baptist Church
215 W 23rd St
Wilmington, DE 19802

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

AS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Addie Sweed - April 11, 2023 at 05:48 AM

MA

“ My friend and if I needed fuel to light my way she was there with open arms and a smile. Many things come to mind when I think of her but I do know that I loved this woman with all my heart. Sorry I can come to her home coming but she and the family will always be in my heart! Marie

Marie - January 17, 2023 at 04:23 PM

KC

“ Kathleen Cephas lit a candle in memory of Joyce Mason



Kathleen Cephas - January 13, 2023 at 09:34 PM

KC

“ To the Family, I was so saddened to hear of the passing of my dear friend, Joyce. Family, Be Encouraged and Continue to hold on to God's Unchanging Hand.

God Bless,

Kathleen Cephas (Marie's sister)

Kathleen Cephas - January 13, 2023 at 07:59 PM

MF

“ Middletown Basketball Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joyce Mason.



Middletown Basketball Family - January 13, 2023 at 03:02 PM

ES

“ I worked with Joyce at GanderHill Prison for many years. She was a joy to work with. A pleasant jovial, immaculately dressed at all times. REST IN PEACE JOYCE we will forever remember and miss you....EsterBlackshear LPN.

Estherblackshear@gmail.com - January 11, 2023 at 09:18 PM

LD

Mommy you truly will be missed may God continue to let you rest in peace no more pain I will continue to hold on to the memories that we share together

Laura Depts - January 14, 2023 at 11:29 AM