



Yvonne M. Lyons

February 26, 1943 - April 18, 2025

Yvonne Mamie Lyons, 82, of Cleveland, OH passed away peacefully on April 18, 2025 with her family by her side.

She was born in Charlotte, North Carolina on February 26, 1943 to Dora Mae (nee Massey) Gillyard and James Henry Gillyard. During her childhood she moved to Washington D.C. and then to Cleveland, OH where she graduated from Glenville High School in 1960.

Yvonne met her husband, Ralph Lyons Sr. in 1964 while he was stationed in Murfreesboro, Tennessee with The United States Army. They were married in Las Vegas in 1971. During their ten-year marriage they traveled the world together and had two children, Tarsha and Ralph Jr.

Yvonne was an active member of The Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness until her health declined. She enjoyed her Bible Studies and socializing with members of the congregation.

Everyone who knew Yvonne knew how much she loved watching old western movies, dancing, and listening to all genres of music.

Yvonne will always be remembered for her ability to learn new skills. She was truly a "jack of all trades". Yvonne knew how to garden, cook, paint, fix

anything broken around the house and was a great seamstress. She had a big heart for those in need and always welcomed anyone into her home who needed help or just a place to hang out. We couldn't have asked for a better mom, grandma, sister, cousin and friend. Will miss her every day. Her memory will live on in the hearts of all those who loved her.

Yvonne was preceded in death by her parents Dora Mae Reid and James Henry Gillyard, and her ex-husband Ralph Lyons Sr. She is survived by her brother Melvin Trapp of Charlotte, North Carolina. Two children, Tarsha (Eric) Collins, and Ralph (La'Verta) Lyons Jr., Three Stepchildren Cathy, Ralph and Brittany Lyons. Five grandchildren, Jalen and Erica Collins. Ralph III, Quierra and Cardier Lyons. Three great-grandchildren, Camden Lyons, Serenity and Nasir Donnor. Her longtime friend Carlos Belgrave as well as many family members and friends.

There will not be any service as Yvonne wanted everyone to keep her memory alive by focusing on the happy times that they shared with her.

Tribute Wall

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“ You may be gone but never forgotten I love you Auntie I will forever cherish every moment and conversation we had take you rest

Charlotte Cowans - April 21, 2025 at 05:50 PM

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“ Charlotte Cowans lit a candle in memory of Yvonne Lyons



Charlotte Cowans - April 21, 2025 at 05:47 PM

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“ Such an amazing woman, always welcomed me with open arms. My heart and condolences to the family.
-Ernest K

Ernest Keith - April 21, 2025 at 03:19 PM

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“ Earth Has No Sorry That Heaven Can't Heal



Beverly Burns - April 21, 2025 at 11:57 AM