



Debra Ann Wills

December 7, 1960 - May 7, 2025

Debra, 64, passed away peacefully on May 7, 2025, at a local hospital.

She was a proud mother of three daughters and a beloved grandmother, to six beautiful granddaughters. Debra poured her heart into her family and touched the lives of everyone who knew her.

She graduated from Chattanooga State Community College. Debra built a strong and inspiring career, retiring from the Chattanooga Housing Authority, where she worked as a heavy machine operator-a role she took on with strength, pride, and dedication.

Debra was small in stature but mighty in spirit. Known for her infectious energy and boundless warmth, she made friends wherever she went. She never met a stranger, always sharing a smile, a kind word, or a laugh.

She lived a life full of love, courage, and resilience. Despite life's many challenges, Debra embraced her journey fully. When recently asked if she would have changed anything about her past, her answer was simple and profound: "Nope." She loved her life-every moment of it-and especially the people in it: her family, her friends, and her community.

This is a celebration of Debra's life-a life lived fully, bravely, and with love. She

will be deeply and truly missed, but her legacy of strength, kindness, and joy will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Her memorial service will be on Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. at Taylor Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Tribute Wall

RH

“ *Reginia Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Wills*



Reginia Hamilton - May 19, 2025 at 03:21 PM

TT

“ *Just the other, I heard Debra's voice on my mind saying, "Hey, Big Baby." It made me laugh. Debra was a cut up and I loved just being around her. She made everyone laugh. She never met a stranger. I'm so sad that I haven't seen her in a while but I know we'll see each other again one day. Shshe, Nookie and Mina, I love yall. I know yall will be strong because I know who yall came from. Yall are always in my heart and I'm praying for yall in this difficult time. I know how it is to lose a mother. I love yall.*



Tony Talley - May 16, 2025 at 03:22 PM

DD

“ *Diane Dews lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Wills*



Diane Dews - May 16, 2025 at 10:22 AM

TF

“ The AOP church family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Debra Ann Wills.



The AOP church family - May 16, 2025 at 09:02 AM

CW

“ Carlethia D Watts lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Wills



carlethia d watts - May 14, 2025 at 05:03 AM

SS

“ Sonya Stiggers lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Wills



Sonya Stiggers - May 13, 2025 at 09:39 PM

CB

You are in my prayers 🙏❤️ RIP Sis

Carla Bentley - May 15, 2025 at 08:50 PM

AD

“ Man this is unreal 😭 shared many of times being in Debra’s prescence, she’s was just (Debra) fun loving, loved dancing, laughing, loud, and didn’t sugar coat anything she will it was a joy to be around her, she will truly be missed my sincerest condolences to her family her daughters & grandbabies may God give each of you comfort in you’re time of need ❤️!

Angela Dillard - May 10, 2025 at 05:17 PM

PB

WE grew up off 38th Street in Alton Park as kids. Debra was right by my family side when my Mom, MISS Boot passed and my Brother Sandy Bell. I LOVED Deb Personally. She was REAL. It breaks my 📍 to find out about her passing by just Strolling obituaries. Yet, I'm Glad bc now I'll have a Chance to say FAREWELL TO A SPECIAL CHILDHOOD FRIEND 🥺. BYE DEB 🌹

Pamela Bell - May 14, 2025 at 10:21 AM

KD

“ Sending love to you and your family from the Dozier and Houston family on west 39th.st



Katrina Dozier - May 09, 2025 at 11:55 PM

NR

“ Saying goodbye to my mother feels impossible.
You gave me life, love, strength, and a sense of home I'll carry with me always. Your kindness, your laughter, your wisdom—those live on in every part of me.
Thank you for everything, Mom. I'll miss you more than words can hold, but I know your spirit is with me. Rest peacefully.
I love you forever. -OosieBoosie

NuQeilla Robinson - May 09, 2025 at 11:17 PM

TJ

Sending my Condolences to the Family Rest Peacefully Beautiful Queen 🌹🌹🌹🌹

Tara Jarrett - May 10, 2025 at 02:21 AM

CM

“ *Sending my Condolences and prayers to the Family.*



Cynthia McCoy - May 09, 2025 at 08:56 PM

DA

“ *Donald Arnold sent a virtual gift in memory of Debra Ann Wills*



Donald Arnold - May 09, 2025 at 02:26 AM