



## Linda Joyce Evans

August 7, 1955 - February 2, 2026

Mrs. Linda Joyce Evans, 70, completed her earthly journey on February 2, 2026, peacefully at home. Linda was born on August 7, 1955, to Mrs. Daisy Mae Hollis (Dozier) and Mr. Thomas Watkins. She was a graduate of Howard High School and Chattanooga State Community College.

Linda was a retiree of the City of Chattanooga as an Early Childhood Educator at Avondale and Cedar Hill Headstart. She was a member of Saint Elmo Missionary Baptist Church where she enjoyed singing in the choir and served on the Junior Matrons board.

Linda will be cherished for her unwavering kindness toward everyone, as well as her resilience and commitment to her family. She had an infectious smile with dimples that brighten your day, a kind heart that could soothe and comfort in any situation, and a laugh that was contagious. Linda's most rewarding position next to being a wife and mom, was being a Granny to her granddaughters. She spoiled them with her love, time, and of course gifts. Among her many qualities, Linda will be especially remembered for her strong faith and trust in God. In her words, "Don't worry about it, God will work everything out."

Linda was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Mr. George Anthony Evans; her parents, Mrs. Daisy Mae Hollis Dozier and Mr. Thomas Watkins;

and brother, Gregory L. Hollis.

She leaves to cherish her memory her devoted daughters, Lisa (Corey) Evans Thompson and Renata (Marcus) Evans Hammond; granddaughters, Aria Hammond, Maliyah Thompson, Kalani Hammond, Ramiyah Thompson, and Alisha Thompson; devoted sisters, Veronica McNeal and Katrina (Robert) Wilson; brother, Michael (Veronica) Watkins; sisters-in-law, Marva Jane (James) Smith, Nellie Ruth Warren, Samilla Turner, and Christy (Shakir) Rashed; brothers-in-law, Vaughn (Deborah) Evans and Kenneth (Jacqueline) Evans; host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Linda will lie-in-state on Friday, February 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 12 noon in the Chapel with Minister Kimberly Sterling as the Eulogist. Burial in Chattanooga National Cemetery.

DIRECTIONS TO LIVESTREAM: Click on the link below.

<https://together.oneroomstreaming.com/4MGM75>

# Cemetery Details

## Chattanooga National Cemetery

1200 Bailey Avenue  
Chattanooga, TN 37404

# Previous Events

## Lie-In-State

FEB 13. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

## Funeral Service

FEB 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard  
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

## Burial

FEB 13. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Chattanooga National Cemetery  
1200 Bailey Avenue  
Chattanooga, TN 37404



# Tribute Wall



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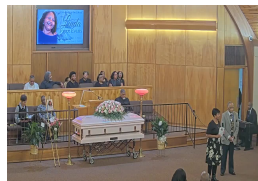


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**Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc.** - April 25 at 11:26 PM



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**Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc.** - February 27 at 02:58 AM



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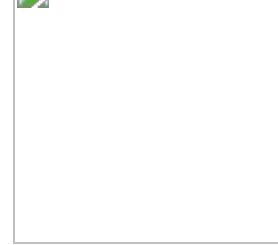


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**Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc.** - February 27 at 02:58 AM



“ *She a nice personality and smile. JO Ann Hilt*



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**Velda Hilt** - February 13 at 10:40 PM



“ *Mansa Musa lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans*

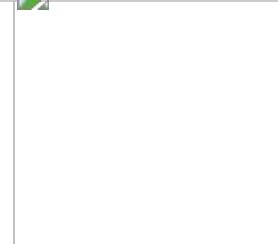


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**Mansa Musa** - February 13 at 05:23 PM



“ *To Favorite Cousin, My Bestfriend & My Sister. I will Dearly Miss You & I'm so Glad We Got To Spend Our Last Thanksgiving Together*

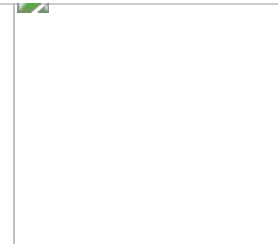


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**Margaret Scott** - February 12 at 10:49 PM



“ *To my cousin Linda,Lisa and there, Family How you truly will be missed? I thank God for you.I will miss the long talks and prayers. We shared together, your kindness smile and spirit will always be with me. Love you all Theresa Careathers.*

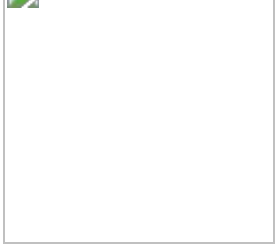


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**Theresa Careathers** - February 12 at 10:26 PM



“ *May the Lord keep you in his Loving Arms,  
Condolences to the family...*



Juanita Careathers - February 12 at 10:06 PM



“ *Mama. This word has so many meanings to me. My love, my heart,  
my comfort, my everything. God blessed our family with your  
presence. You represented love, faith, strength, wisdom, and more.  
I could go on and on about who you were but no explanation is  
needed. You are, you were, and will always be Mama. ❤️*



Lisa Thompson - February 12 at 07:25 PM

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“ To the Evans family,  
We extend our heartfelt condolences and lift each of you in prayer during this time of sorrow. May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, surround your hearts and minds in the days ahead.  
As you walk this new and difficult path, may the Holy Spirit comfort you, strengthen you, and remind you that you are never alone. God’s presence is constant—His love unending, His grace sufficient, and His arms always open to carry you when the way feels heavy. May His promises restore your hope, His light guide your steps, and His everlasting love sustain you through every moment.

*Pastor George W. Maize, V and the Westside Missionary Baptist Church Family*

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**Carol Johnson** - February 12 at 05:11 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda Joyce Evans.

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February 11 at 09:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Linda Joyce Evans.



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February 11 at 09:25 PM



“ *Condolences to the Evans family and friends for the loss of your loved one. I will keep you all in my prayers. May many memories of happiness give you all the peace and comfort you need during this most challenging time. May she rest in eternal peace. Nellie, please accept my sincere condolences for the loss of your sister-in-law. You expressed to me how close you both were. Blessings to you all.*



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**Gracelia Moore** - February 11 at 01:49 AM



“ *She was so sweet and always smiling with that beautiful laugh she had, we met at Avondale Head Start where we became friends and good co-workers, I told her that I love her name and she said no girl your name is beautiful , I said thank you but the reason why I love your name is because my mom name is Linda and your name mean beautiful and that's you miss Linda and she said, awwwwww you so sweet Ivonya, It was a joy to work with her, Love from your Avondale head Start Family 🌹🌹🌹🌹*

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**Ivonya Douglas** - February 10 at 03:45 PM

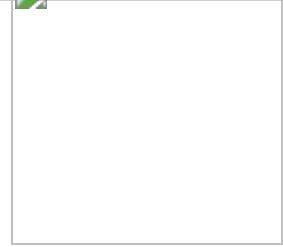


“ *We the members of Howard High School class of 1973 bow in humble submission to the will of Our Heavenly Father as one of our dear classmates Linda Watkins-Evans has joined ancestors gone on before...it is our prayer ..That Our Heavenly Father give her family peace and comfort..for the steps He has order in their lives now and for days to come our sincere condolences to them...sincerely The HHS C/O 1973*

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**Lenard Wigfall** - February 10 at 05:56 AM



“ *My Condolences to the family, Sorry for your loss 🙏🙏🙏*



**Winifred Careathers** - February 10 at 01:58 AM



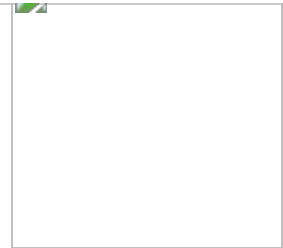
“ *Joyce Fears lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans*



**Joyce Fears** - February 09 at 05:42 PM



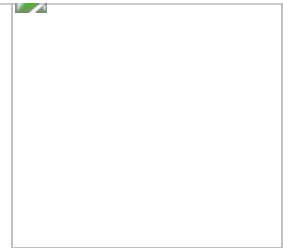
“ *I Give My Condolences To My Aunt Veronica McNeal And Her Family I Love You Auntie And Her Two Daughters And Grandchildren As Well 🌹!*



**Tasha Ford** - February 09 at 05:18 PM



“ *Vincent Robinson lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans*



**Vincent Robinson** - February 08 at 05:16 PM

S

“ Linda was a dear sweet former coworker, when we worked together at Avondale Head Start, each morning she would greet me with a warm smile and a hug.. May the peace of the Lord bring comfort and strength to her entire family.. My deepest Heartfelt Condolences. Rest in Sweet Heavenly Peace Linda 🕊️❤️❤️

Sharon Walton - February 07 at 03:52 PM

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“ We always had fun time together during inservice training at Head Start. Linda was a friend and great coworker, she always helped out when needed.

Satann Thomas - February 07 at 03:00 PM

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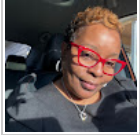
“ Rest in peace Ms.Evans!

Lyneisa Sparks - February 06 at 11:54 PM

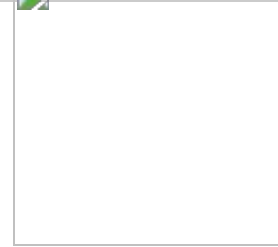
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“ My Condolences to the Family Mrs.Linda was my daughter teacher Cedar Hill 1997 She love her so much R.I.P. Sister.Lillie Garth Clopton

Lillie Clopton - February 06 at 11:51 PM



“ *Ivonya Douglas lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans*



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**Ivonya Douglas** - February 06 at 03:48 PM



“ *Audrey High lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans*

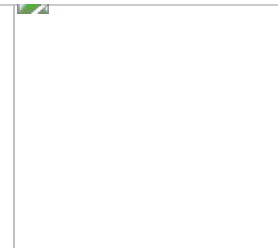


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**Audrey High** - February 06 at 12:36 AM

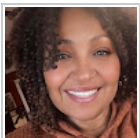


“ *Wilma Poole lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans*

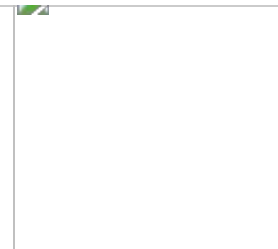


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**Wilma Poole** - February 05 at 07:11 PM



“ *I met Ms. Linda many moons ago. Her beautiful spirit and kind heart will always be remembered. Prayers of comfort and peace to her family.*



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**Mia Robinson** - February 05 at 05:40 PM

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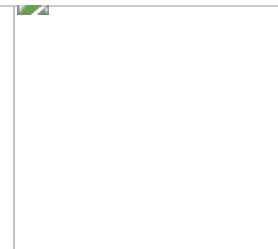
“ My memories of Linda are as follows: We took classes together at Alton Park Jr. High. In our math class, she taught me the process of division. She was proficient in art as well. When the duplex next door to her became available, we were neighbors. Linda was a very beautiful person inside and out. My sincere condolences to her family.



Yolanda Calloway - February 05 at 05:26 PM

JJ

“ Jackie Johnson lit a candle in memory of Linda Joyce Evans



Jackie Johnson - February 05 at 04:36 PM

J

“ Seeing my dad and his sister together was one of the best days I've had in a long time ❤️



Jamaica Carnes - February 05 at 01:46 PM

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“ *The family is in our thoughts and prayers during this time.*  
*Eric Layne, CNA*  
*Adoration Hospice*

Eric Layne - February 05 at 10:38 AM

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“ *To the Family of one of the Sweetest and Kindest people I have had the privilege of knowing, I extend my deepest condolences. Linda will forever be in my heart and I am keeping all of you in my prayers.*

Betty Bolden - February 05 at 12:03 AM

 Christy Rashed

“ *In loving memory of my dear loving sister in-law. You will be dearly missed. We're sending sincerest condolences to our family.*

Christy Rashed - February 04 at 10:40 PM