



Yolanda Williams

February 22, 1955 - February 18, 2026

Born in Americus, Georgia, on February 22, 1955, to Josie and Mose Butts, Yolanda Williams, also known to family as "Gradine," was the youngest of thirteen children. She grew up in a loving, close-knit family and carried that same love into every part of her life.

As one of Jehovah's Witnesses, baptized on July 1, 1995, Yolanda lived with humility, compassion, and unwavering faith in Jehovah's promises. She was a devoted mother and is survived by Roshebra Wallace and her husband, Keon; and Joseph Wallace and his wife, Rebecca. She was a proud grandmother of eight: Ashley and her husband, Dre; Tanisha and her husband, Alex; Tierra; Keona; Isaiah; McKayla; Kailin; and Brianna; and a joyful great-grandmother of seven: Lj, Jordan, Zari, Anelia, Laila, Xavier, and Atanas. She is also survived by her beloved siblings: two sisters, Barbara Mathews and Louise Childs; one brother, Mose Butts Jr.; and a host of nieces, nephews, and other family members.

Yolanda was especially proud of her career at Lockheed Martin, where she worked with dedication, excellence, and joy. Her work allowed her to see the world—spending time in Portugal, Morocco, England, and many other places she cherished. These experiences shaped her worldview, broadened her stories, and deepened her appreciation for life.

Yolanda's vibrant personality, warm presence, and radiant smile made every room brighter. She expressed her love through kindness, generosity, and the way she made everyone feel welcomed, valued, and cared for. She touched countless lives, leaving a legacy of joy, strength, and faith.

While she now rests in peaceful sleep, we hold comfort in Jehovah's promise of a resurrection-and the hope of seeing her beautiful smile once again.

The memorial service will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at 1:00 PM at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 3045 Poplar Rd., Sharpsburg, GA 30277.

Zoom Online Memorial Service

Cannongate Congregation is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Yolanda Williams Memorial Service

Time: Feb 28, 2026 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8634532475?pwd=VFYrWkhMeldHSUhYS3JRZ1F0cm9Fdz09&omn=81800113991>

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/meetings/81800113991/invitations?signature=4QI9SiAONIj5eCtWfMClbx8971VohrTYZtxxotAYkUg>

Those who wish may send flowers, or they may make donations to the family to help carry on Yolanda's legacy at <https://everloved.com/life-of/yolanda-willia>

[ms-newnan-ga/donate/](#)

Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB **28**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovahs Witnesses-(Poplar Rd.)
3045 Poplar Road
Sharpsburg, GA 30277

Tribute Wall



“ *McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Yolanda Williams*



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - February 28 at 08:29 AM

ES

“ *My Dear Auntie Gradine girl I am going to miss you so much, I did know this but I can think about all the good days we had and the laughs we had the last we talk you was coming home you and uncle Moses, but God Auntie I will always keep you in my heart as a sweet special Auntie, My condolences and prayers to my family Trust in God, love y'all always..*

Emma Jean Sparks - February 28 at 04:58 PM

JR

“ *JEVON RHANEY purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Yolanda Williams.*



JEVON RHANEY - February 27 at 05:19 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Yolanda Williams.*



February 26 at 02:23 PM



“ *Sherwin & Shawnee Malone purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Yolanda Williams.*



Sherwin & Shawnee Malone - February 25 at 09:13 PM



“ *Sherwin & Shawnee Malone planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Yolanda Williams.*

Sherwin & Shawnee Malone - February 25 at 09:13 PM

KS

“ To Aunt Gradine, I can remember as a child when I first met you, you were a very kind and loving person. I remember when we came to Miami on a family trip and we stayed at your house and I must say me and my sister really enjoyed spending time with you..we always were is “Aunt Gradine we went to go back to Florida to her house. My dad, your nephew “Bud” loved to be in your presence as well whenever you were around. Although, I didn’t see you much you were still my favorite “Auntie”

*It was truly a blessing to have been able to be in your presence, I love you and pray that you sleep in peace, Love your niece
Kimberly Sparks (Bud’s daughter)*

Kimberly Sparks - February 25 at 07:14 PM

RO

“ To my Mom- Thank you for always being here for me and supporting me. You were a very beautiful person inside and out I will never forget all the memories we shared together. Take your rest and have your peace. Love you forever...your daughter Roshebra 💜💜💜



Roshebra - February 25 at 06:03 PM

PA

“ Patricia,Janice,Nanette,Vanessa,Yvette purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Yolanda Williams.



Patricia,Janice,Nanette,Vanessa,Yvette - February 25 at 01:38 PM

MC

“ *Testing*

Michael A Childs - February 25 at 10:36 AM

JW

“ *In loving memory of the sweetest person I've ever encountered. ❤️❤️*



Joseph Wallace - February 24 at 08:29 PM

PH

“ *Aunt Gradine you will truly be missed. You was the aunt that made sure everyone was happy and taken care of when we will go to your house when you lived in Miami. You moved from Miami but never from our hearts, mind and the memories we shared.
Love your niece
Patricia Hodge- Tricia (Uncle Boy Daughter)*

Patricia Hodge - February 24 at 12:25 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Yolanda Williams.*

February 24 at 08:49 AM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of Yolanda Williams.* ”



February 24 at 08:49 AM