



## Onieka McKenzie

November 8, 1983 - October 30, 2023

Born on November 8, 1983, in Talladega, Alabama, Onieka Mckenzie was the precious daughter of Elizabeth "Cat" McKenzie and L.M. Lynch.

Onieka's kind heart and cheerful spirit touched the lives of those around her. She found joy in ensuring that her surroundings were spotless and welcoming, earning her a position as a custodian in the environmental services industry. Her dedication and attention to detail were admired by all. But above all, her true passion was spending time with her children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, whom she cherished dearly.

She accepted Christ as her personal Savior while attending Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Clarence Henderson. Onieka received her formal education in the Talladega City School System. She attended Talladega High School and carried the lessons she learned throughout her life. Her perseverance and strong work ethic were evident in everything she did.

In her leisure time, Onieka enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. She loved gathering with family and friends, sharing laughter, and creating lasting memories. Her contagious smile could light up any room, and her warm heart ensured everyone felt loved and important in her presence.

After a life lived with love, generosity, and a dedication to her family, Onieka McKenzie, a beloved member of the Talladega community, left this world on October 30, 2023, while under the care of UAB Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama. Once gaining her wings, she was reunited with her beloved mother, Elizabeth "Cat" McKenzie, grandparents, L.C. and Mae Wilma Mckenzie and L.M. and Exie Lee Maxwell, brother, Mikel Jemison, aunt, Joyce Dean McKenzie, and uncle, William L. McKenzie.

Onieka McKenzie's legacy lives on through her son Shuntavis Twyman; two daughters, Kytaja Brown and Dontaja Brown; her adored grandson Kace L. Sanders; father L.M. (Crystal) Lynch; three brothers, L.M. McKenzie, Tyrone McKenzie, and Kentavis McKenzie; three sisters, Jessica McKenzie, Eboni Watts, and Keyondra Lynch; five aunts, Margie (Robert) Briskey, Barbara M. Curry, Mattie (Bertis) Pope, Lynda (Mark) Hann, and Rosie (Robert) Holt; six uncles, Henry Lee McKenzie, Johnny McKenzie, Lawrence (Rena) Lynch, Clifford Maxwell, Jamar Maxwell, and Frederick Maxwell; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends who held a special place in her heart and will forever cherish the memories they created with her.

Onieka McKenzie's departure leaves a void in our lives, but her memory will always shine brightly in our hearts. May we find solace in the beautiful moments shared with her and the everlasting impact she had on our lives.

Rest in eternal peace, dear Onieka McKenzie. Your legacy of love, perseverance, and generosity will live on and continue to inspire us all.

# Cemetery Details

## Midway Memory Gardens

27950 SR - 21 N  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

NOV **10**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. East  
Talladega, AL 35160

## Celebration of Life

NOV **11**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Shady Grove Baptist Church  
801 Jennifer Road  
Munford, AL 36268

# Tribute Wall

Bertha Fomby

“ *Bertha Fomby lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Bertha Fomby - November 15, 2023 at 05:06 AM

Bertha Fomby

“ *BABY GIRL. I AM SO SO SO SO SO* 🥹💔🥹💔🥹💔🥹💔🥹💔🥹💔🥹💔🥹💔  
*💔🥹💔 SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS I LOVE YOU*

Bertha Fomby - November 15, 2023 at 05:04 AM

SS

“ *Sylvia Gillispie Scales lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Sylvia Gillispie Scales - November 08, 2023 at 06:42 PM

MW

“ *Marilynn Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Marilynn Wiggins - November 07, 2023 at 10:23 PM

PC

“ *Pearl Collins lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Pearl Collins - November 05, 2023 at 08:52 AM

PC

“ *Onieka you were just like a daughter to me and you gave me my 2 granddaughters. I'm going to miss you. Just know I love you and I'm going to make sure your girls are good. You really hurt me with this one* 😭😭😭😭

Pearl Collins - November 05, 2023 at 08:47 AM

PB

*So sorry for your loss.*

Pamela Bradford - November 05, 2023 at 10:03 PM

JH

“ *Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Jackie Williams Hall - November 05, 2023 at 12:09 AM

TD

“ *Tina Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Tina Dickerson - November 04, 2023 at 01:06 AM

JP

“ *Janis Phillips lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Janis Phillips - November 03, 2023 at 08:02 AM

YW

“ *Yulanda Wilson lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie*



Yulanda Wilson - November 02, 2023 at 03:29 PM

MM

“ *For your family, my condolences and blessings of strength may Heaven continue to smile upon you all.*



minister Zee Moore - November 02, 2023 at 12:43 PM

LP

“ *Sending up my prayers and condolences to her family!* ”



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**lori pope** - November 01, 2023 at 03:56 PM

SF

“ *Sharon Fluker lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie* ”



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**Sharon Fluker** - October 31, 2023 at 10:45 PM

GW

“ *Gwendolyn Wilson lit a candle in memory of Onieka McKenzie* ”



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**Gwendolyn Wilson** - October 31, 2023 at 10:24 PM

JR

*Praying for the family*

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**Joy Reynolds** - November 01, 2023 at 06:29 PM

PB

“ *My deepest condolences, May God comfort and strengthen you all during your difficult times. Onieka you will truly be missed by the many lives you've touched. Fly high Angel.*



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**Pamela Bradford** - October 31, 2023 at 11:48 AM

RH

*My sincere condolences and may the Lord strengthen you during this difficult time.*

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**Ronnie Hawkins** - November 03, 2023 at 04:52 PM