



Tawanda Stokes

October 22, 1967 - July 23, 2024

On October 22, 1967 in Talladega, Alabama, the Jerry Lee Orr and Lutelia (Tina) Jacobs Orr Embry welcomed to their union a beautiful sparkling baby girl named Tawanda Lynn Orr.

At an early age, Tawanda accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior and united with Little Jerusalem Church of God serving faithfully until her health began to fail.

She received her formal education in the Talladega County School System where she was a 1986 graduate from Lincoln High School. Tawanda exuded love and joy in every interaction. Her dedication as a caregiver in the childcare industry showcased her nurturing personality and genuine care for those around her.

Along Tawanda's 56-year earthly journey she became the loving and devoted mother of three adorable children who were her most prized possessions. She was loved by many people, especially her loving children whom she took great care of and gave all the motherly love a mother could give. Spending quality time with her family was essential. Tawanda was known for her caring and loving spirit, and she will always be remembered for her lively and enthusiastic personality. She enjoyed watching TV, especially Sanford and Son and Sistars, which were two of her favorite shows. Attending family functions and going to support her children during their school years were

very important to Tawanda. She was cherished immensely by her family and all who knew her. She will truly be missed.

On Tuesday, July 23, 2024, while in the care of Riverview Regional Medical Center with her loving family at her side. Mrs. Tawanda Lynn Orr, a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, and aunt peacefully transitioned from this earthly walk of life to her new eternal resting place when she answered the call of her Master saying, "Well Done My Good and Faithful Servant" . Greeting her with outstretched arms at those pearly gates of heaven was her father, Jerry Lee Orr, Sr., brother, Destry "B-bop" Embry, grandparents, and other family members.

As Tawanda peacefully left this earthly realm, she left a legacy of love and memories to forever be cherished by her three loving and devoted children, Johnathen Stokes, Jarrius Stokes, and Daeshawn (Cornelius) Stokes; TeTe's baby, Amier Thomas; bonus son, Dahntre Boyd; mother, Lutelia (Tina) Embry; three brothers, Jerry Lee (Willene) Orr, Jeffery (Novette) Orr and Mark (Kelia) Embry; sister, Valerie (Jeffrey) Flemming; nieces, Jasmine (Brandon) Fleming, Jerrica Orr, and Malonda Pemberton; nephews, Bradley Fleming, Jiyez Fleming, Jacob Orr, Brandon "Butterball" Robinson, Jr., and Kendal Orr; and a host of loving aunts, uncles, cousins, other extended family, and friends.

Her Motto: M. S. (Multiple Sclerosis) might have my body, but not my mind.

Cemetery Details

Kelly Springs Memorial Gardens

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL 30. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Celebration of Life

JUL 31. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kelly Springs Baptist Church
300 Kelly Springs Road
Munford, AL 36268

Tribute Wall

AH

“ Deepest condolences to the family, may God strengthen all the family during this difficult time. God’s love will carry you through 🙏🕯️



Alonzo and Shernevelyne Hill and family



Alonzo & Shernevelyne Hill - July 31, 2024 at 10:26 PM

IN

“ In His Image Global Network purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Tawanda Stokes.



In His Image Global Network - July 30, 2024 at 08:48 AM



“ Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Tawanda Stokes.



July 29, 2024 at 02:36 PM

CH

“ Love, prayers, and sincere condolences to the Orr-Stokes family. JK, Jarrius, and Dashaun...God got you'll.

Cassandra Hill (LHS Class of 86)



Cassandra Hill - July 28, 2024 at 09:40 PM

SC

“ Sam Cranmore purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Tawanda Stokes.



Sam Cranmore - July 26, 2024 at 10:27 AM

SC

“ Sam Cranmore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tawanda Stokes.

Sam Cranmore - July 26, 2024 at 10:27 AM

MC

“ Milus, Donna, Akira and Donovan Cross purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Tawanda Stokes.



Milus, Donna, Akira and Donovan Cross - July 25, 2024 at 10:12 PM

MC

“ Milus, Donna, Akira and Donovan Cross planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Tawanda Stokes.

Milus, Donna, Akira and Donovan Cross - July 25, 2024 at 10:12 PM

RM

“ JK, Jarius, DaShun, be strong, God will see you'll thru. Mom is in no more pain, no more treatments. She loved you'll very much. She is at rest, but her spirit will live forever. Love you all, Uncle Dennis and Aunt Mae. 🙏💜

Rose Mary McGee - July 25, 2024 at 04:38 PM