

Obituary

Vickie Vernell was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, October 6, 1947, to Delores B. Green and Willie L. Smith, both deceased. She attended Douglass High School and completed her education at Wright Business School. Three brothers: Willie Earl Kinchion, Sr., Glenn Russell, and Freddie Kees, Jr. preceded her in death. Vickie married the love of her life in 1982, Leslie "Porkie" Boykins who, after a lengthy illness, preceded her in death.

Retirement from the Department of Corrections, Pardon and Parole Board after many years of dedicated service was one of Vickie's many life goals achieved.

Vickie attended Central Baptist Church, Pastor Willie Bates and enjoyed the opportunity to direct the Mass Choir. She was the devoted Director of the Men's Chorus for many years. Vickie always had a smile and would readily share her testimony.

Vickie and her husband joined The Loving St. James Baptist Church and became active in many of the ministries, such as the Mass Choir and the Missionary choir, along with the food service ministry. She loved to attend any musical that featured the St. James Men's Chorus.

Some of Vickie's hobbies included: Reading and studying the Bible, people watching, shopping, watching movies, enjoying music of all types especially "The Double Dutch Bus"; she had an extensive vinyl collection that she loved to share with those she called "friend". She loved to ride horses as a young woman!!

Vickie touched so many lives that this is only a brief list of the thoughts shared: Loving, Compassionate, Encourager, bring a bright spot to anyone's day, teacher, lead by example, she made a good german chocolate cake, Sweet, Funny, Vickie Victorious!, mentor, best friend not just a mom, wonderful, kind mama, a super moma! A carrier of two smiles, one to keep, one to share! Relaxing, enjoyable, very spiritual, always including Praises to God, A Beautiful sister caring, outspoken.

Vickie leaves to cherish her memory; Children: Electa Q. Gardner Robbins; Natasha N. Knight; Brandie L. Gardner Sanders (Ulysses); Carisha Gardner; Leslie R. Boykins Jr.; Sabrina Boykins; Brian Boykins. Siblings: Debbie Wilson (Robert); Detra Green; Carol Roberts (George); Pumpkin Smith; Bruce Cooks (Charlottie); Lavell Smith; Glenn Smith; Cecil Haynes; Birdie McNeely, Sharlene McDowell (Carl), Darlene Boykins; all of Oklahoma City, OK, ten grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, loved ones and friends.