

PALLBEARERS

Morris Anderson
Rodney Hubbard

Keith Briggs
Marc Knight

Marcus Griffis
Chris Tate

FLOWER BEARERS

Redeemed Missionary Baptist Church Mission #2

INTERMENT

HILLCREST MEMORY GARDENS
Spencer, Oklahoma

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family wishes to express its sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. A special thank you to Shawn Clayton who is a devoted and kind friend.

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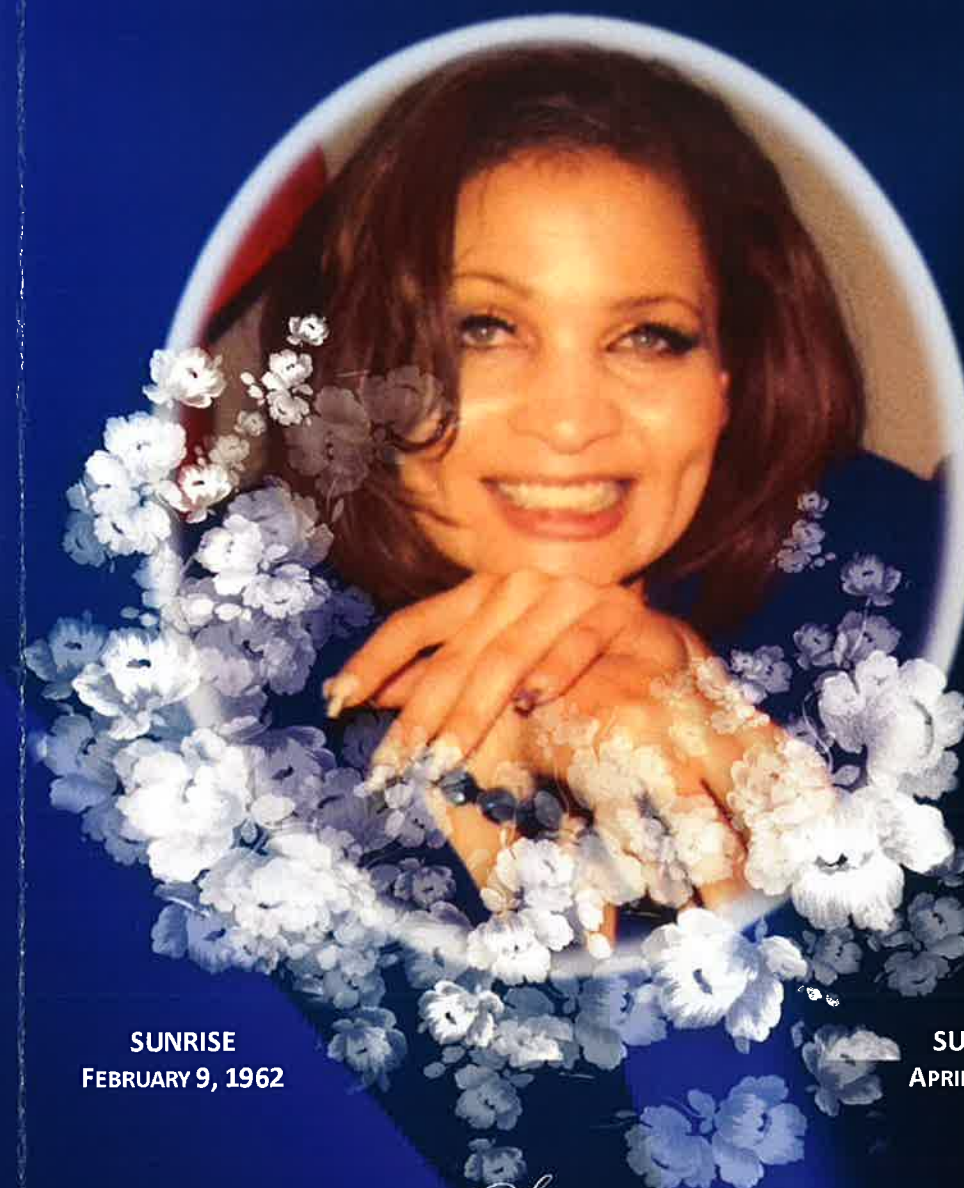
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"We Care"

II Timothy 4:8



*In Loving Memory
of*

Valerie Drinkwater Aden



SUNRISE
FEBRUARY 9, 1962

SUNRISE
APRIL 8, 2021

Services

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021 – 12:00 NOON

Redeemed Missionary Baptist Church
2122 Drinkwater Drive
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

REV. EUGENE JENKINS, PASTOR – OFFICIATING

Obituary

Valerie La Jean Drinkwater Aden was born February 9, 1962 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Preceding her in death were her Grandparents A.J. & Callie Drinkwater and Johnson & Jessie Bell Vickers; Husband Tony; Son Brandon Jermaine Aden and her Parents Rev L.R. & Barbara Jean (Vickers) Drinkwater, Sr.

Valerie graduated from North East High School in 1980. She was involved in the Pep Club, participated in the NE Choir for 4 years, and was selected for the Viking Singer Ensemble her freshman year. She sang a tribute song, "Today is the Day," during her graduation. She attended the University of Central Oklahoma and Rose State College where she studied Journalism and Public Relations.

Valerie was employed as an Administrative Assistant for the Department of Human Services for 34 years, retiring in 2015.

Valerie was a part of a family that showed her the importance of being a true servant of God. At an early age, she was baptized and began her Christian walk as a member of the Redeemed Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of her father, the late Rev. Dr. L. R. Drinkwater, Sr.

Valerie was a member of the Missions and a Sunday School Teacher and Scholar. She attended the teachings and Prayer Services which showed her desire and dedication for Christian living and spiritual learning.

Her Mother, Sis. Barbara Drinkwater was the foundation that inspired *Valerie* to use her God-given talent in the music ministry. This became her passion. She served the Redeemed Missionary Baptist Church as the Directress of all choirs for over 50 years. She used her gifts from God and gave her time, touched hearts and blessed lives through her love of music.

Her walk was completed when she departed this life on Thursday, April 8, 2021. She leaves to cherish her memory her Brother Rev. LaRue (Rayburn) Drinkwater, Jr.; Grandson Elijah Aden; Nieces Brandy (Andre) Drinkwater-Bolden; Natorea Davis, Bridney Davis and Nephew LaRue, III (Sabrina) Sloan; Shawn Clayton, a special friend, all of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and a host of other relatives and friends.

*As I stand before God at the end of my life
I hope that I do not have a single bit of talent left
And can say, I used everything YOU gave me.*

~Val~

Safely Home

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely Home in Heaven at last.*

Order of Service

Processional Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

Selection

Scripture

Old Testament Rev. Ray McDonald

New Testament..... Rev. Corrie Cooks

Prayer Rev. Charles Smith

Selection

Resolutions & Acknowledgements Sis. Jackie Anderson

..... Church Clerk

Remarks (2 Minutes)..... Sis. Shawn Clayton, Friend

Sis. Sonya Knight, RMBC Choir/Family

Deacon Anthony Griffis, Church

Rev. LaRue Drinkwater, Jr., Walnut Grove

Selection

Eulogy..... Rev. Eugene Jenkins, Pastor

Redeemed Missionary Baptist Church

Video Presentation

Special Tribute

Parting View

Recessional