



## Gwendolyn Denise Epps

November 25, 1956 - August 17, 2023

GWENDOLYN "GWEN" DENISE EPPS was born on November 25, 1956, to the late Franklin and Evelyn "Novella" Epps. Gwendolyn was the oldest of five children. She was preceded in death by her brothers, Franklin and Rodney Epps.

Gwendolyn accepted Christ at an early age and joined Beulah Baptist Church in Chesterfield, County. Gwen loved to sing there and joined the Young Adult Choir. On April 12, 1998, she joined Fifth Baptist where she has been a faithful and dedicated member for 25 years. She loved her Fifth Baptist church family and her Pastors especially "Pastor Earl".

Gwen attended and graduated from John F. Kenney High School in 1975 where she served on the majorette squad for four years. Gwen could twirl a baton and was proud of it and loved the cheers she would receive from the stands.

Gwen's career started as an Office Clerk for Richfood Dairy in August 1980 where she was later promoted to Accounts Payable Clerk. She served for 37 years as a dedicated employee until her last day on November 2, 2017, which was the final closing of the doors "she shut it down".

Gwen was a designer by rights. She made everything she wore. If the pattern

didn't fit exactly what she needed she would remake the pattern, a trick taught by Mom, the real seamstress in the family.

She leaves to cherish her memories her two loving sisters, Tria Thompson and Lanita "Franette" Epps; her adored and devoted nephew, Tuan Thompson and great nephew, Kyrie Thompson, whom she spoiled with gifts every time she shopped and would sing him to sleep every chance she got, and he loved it; her adored brother-in-law, Roger "Toney" Thompson; dedicated aunts, Jerline Johnson and Reva Wilson; and devoted friend, Cheryl Grooms, her BFF and Miami Dolphins #2 fan because she was #1.

Gwen loved her family, and they were ALL very important to her and very much a part of her everyday world. They were all devoted.

She will be greatly missed but never forgotten; for she will always be in our hearts.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

SEP 1. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Fifth Baptist Church  
1415 W. Cary St.  
Richmond, VA 23220

## Celebration of Life

SEP 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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<https://www.5thbcva.org/services>

# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

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**March Funeral Homes** - September 01, 2023 at 06:09 PM



“ *Nita, Tria, and family,  
I was so sad to hear of your loss. Gwen was a sweet, gentle flower,  
always kind, with encouraging words, and a bright smile. I will miss  
her. My deepest condolences to you and your family.*

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**Veronica Williams** - September 01, 2023 at 09:58 AM



“ *Our Deepest sympathies to the Epps family.  
Your Jan Rd Neighbors  
Monica, Finesse, Grandma Harris*

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**Monica Harris** - August 31, 2023 at 07:34 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Gwendolyn Denise Epps.*



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August 30, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn Denise Epps.*



August 30, 2023 at 11:00 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn Denise Epps.*



August 29, 2023 at 10:09 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

**March Funeral Homes** - August 28, 2023 at 10:45 AM

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*Sending my deepest sympathy in the passing of your beloved sister may her memories be of comfort and know to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Alma(Russell) Jones*

**Alma Russell Jones** - August 29, 2023 at 09:49 AM