



Maxine Anderson

February 2, 1933 - May 12, 2024

Life's Legacy

A Life Filled with Love, Laughter, and Music

Maxine Deloris Anderson, known affectionately as “Sister Mac” to many and “Sweetie” to her husband, passed away peacefully on May 12, 2024. She was born on February 2, 1933, in Richmond, Virginia, to Hobert and Pearly Mae Cheatham. She is preceded in death by both parents as well as her husband, Harold J. Anderson, Sr. and daughter Monique Anderson, who died three days after her birth.

Maxine was the eldest of three siblings. As the eldest sibling, Maxine exhibited a caring and devoted nature, taking on the role of caretaker for her younger sisters, Shirley and Bettie. As a child, she nurtured her love of music by taking her younger siblings to musicals such as *Carmen Jones*, *Stormy Weather*, *Cabin in the Sky*, and *Porgy and Bess*. Afterward, she would purchase and teach the musical score to her siblings. Doing this, cultivated her gift of playing the piano and teaching others to sing and harmonize. This skill later matured as she became the piano player and lead singer for The Universal Harmonizers. In this group, she met Harold J. Anderson, Sr.; whom she married on July 8, 1962. Maxine’s love for music would become a lifelong thread woven into her faith and her family.

Maxine graduated from Maggie L. Walker High School. Maxine was once employed as an Elevator Operator and was dedicated to her work at the Defense General Supply Cooperation (DGSC). Throughout her career at DGSC, Maxine exhibited motivation, and patience as she overcame discrimination with grace and resilience. She believed in the power of commitment, hard work, and faith. Inspiring others with her favorite scripture, James 1:4 “But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing”.

Maxine accepted Jesus as her Lord and Savior, right before her marriage to the love of her life, Harold J. Anderson, Sr. She was a member of the Church of God in True Holiness, which elevated to what we are today, Abundant Life Church of Christ. Their enduring love story spanned 58 years, blessed with the birth of their children, Harolynn Nicole Thomas and Harold J. Anderson, Jr. Maxine’s legacy extends to her cherished grandchildren, Kennedi, and Kingston.

Maxine was a pillar of her church, Abundant Life Church of Christ, where she played the piano and organ, sang in the senior choir, and participated in the senior ministry, women’s auxiliary, dietary department, drama ministry, and even performed a comedy routine. Her vibrant personality, delightful blend of humor, generosity, and unwavering love, touched the lives of everyone she encountered. Maxine was a giver, known for putting the needs of others before her own. She is cherished by her family, her church community, and her many friends.

Maxine’s life overflowed with diverse hobbies and passions. A skilled seamstress: she created clothing for loved ones, even crafting those unforgettable velvet MC Hammer balloon pants for her son. She loved shopping and finding treasures at thrift stores and online. But most of all, Maxine cherished spending time with family and church family, taking

memorable trips, and creating lasting bonds. One fond memory of hers was the drive from Richmond, Virginia to Los Angeles, California for a music conference. She wanted to see the world in all its splendor. Maxine's adventurous spirit led her to her favorite travel destination, Africa, where she experienced a life-changing journey and displayed her generous nature by giving away her belongings to those in need.

Maxine was a woman of many talents – a black belt in karate, her motto was, “Never start a fight but always finish one”, a writer with beautiful penmanship, and she taught herself sign language. She had the unique ability to communicate through sign language during worship because she wanted to ensure everyone could participate in worship. Loyal, strong-willed, and a champion for those in need, Maxine left an indelible mark on the world.

Maxine's wish is to be remembered for her actions, a life that embodied love and service. She leaves behind a legacy of compassion, kindness, laughter, music, and unwavering faith that will continue to inspire generations to come.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her beloved daughter, Harolynn Thomas; cherished son, Harold (Katrina) Anderson; grandchildren, Kennedi Jael and Kingston Merrell Anderson; sisters, Shirley Simmons and Bettie Prince; sisters-in-law, Olivia A. Foreman (Steve) and Fern Anderson; devoted nieces, Kiana (Samaral) Jackson and Avis (Kenny) Prince; a host of nieces and nephews along with many dedicated friends and church family.

Cemetery Details

Virginia Veterans Cemetery at Amelia

10300 Pridesville Road
Amelia, VA 23002

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 21. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of life with live streaming

MAY 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
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Richmond, VA 23222

Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Maxine Anderson, Please Click the Link below. in memory of Maxine Anderson*



March Funeral Homes - May 15, 2024 at 09:18 AM

BR

“ *My sincere condolences to the family of Mother Maxine Anderson. I am a close friend of her sister, Elder Bettie Prince. We have been friends for over 50yrs. My heart goes out the entire Anderson & Prince families. May God comfort, protect & keep you during your time of sorrow & grief,*

*Love u always,
Betty Royalston-Scott,
Raleigh, NC*

Betty Royalston-Scott - May 23, 2024 at 04:47 PM

GT

“ Much love, condolences and our prayers for comfort to Harold, Katrina, Harolyn, Momma Bettie Prince and the entire family and friends of Momma Mac. Love you all so much.

Some of my favorite memories are when Momma Mac was playing the piano for the praise team. And lastly, when she used to pick us up along with other youth in the red van and take us places together. Her love and how she cared about so many people was astronomical!❤️❤️❤️

George Thomas - May 20, 2024 at 01:38 PM

CB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with Harold and the Anderson family.

Charlese Brown - May 16, 2024 at 09:39 AM

VB

“ My prayers are with Minister Harold's family and Harolyn. A beautiful flower has gone. The heavens are rejoicing. Thank you, Lord.

Valerie Jackson Burton - May 15, 2024 at 10:44 AM

LR

The Roberts family would like to send out our prayers for the Anderson families so sorry to here that news sister Maxine was such a incursion person She has so much wisdom to share whenever you came into her presence. 🌹❤️❤️

Lynette Roberts - May 16, 2024 at 12:20 PM

RH

Sister Mack! Always a pillar of strength and poised beauty. A mighty spiritual woman of God who mentored me and so many others. Your life was filled with sacrifices to which you are amply rewarded by our Lord. Rest in the bosom of our Beloved Father, Sister Mack. For now, you truly are living the Abundant Eternal Life! Love you! Ruthie Henson

Ruthie Henson - May 21, 2024 at 08:13 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 - May 14, 2024 at 05:06 PM