



Velda Katrina Ballard

March 14, 1959 - January 8, 2025

Velda Katrina Ballard, at the age of sixty-five (65), departed this earthly life on Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at Tidal Health Hospital in Salisbury, Maryland. She was born to Andrew Hillcrest Dickerson and the late Mildred Ann Savage in Pocomoke City, MD.

Velda was educated in Accomack County public schools.

At a young age Velda worked at Golden Pride Poultry Company in Stockton, Maryland. She stopped working to take on the role of motherhood, but later returned to work at Hardee's in Pocomoke, Maryland until her first bout with illness. As the result of her illness, she became disabled and could not continue working.

Velda accepted Christ in her 30's and later in life she attended Eastside Missions Church in Princess Anne, Maryland. Velda was a loving spirit and a prayer warrior who was continuously interceding for her family and friends.

As an avid book reader, she accumulated stacks upon stacks of books and magazines. When her sister Brenda would threaten to take and throw some of her books away, she would roll her eyes and Brenda would say, "Good thing her eyes aren't bullets." Velda was very intelligent because she soaked up knowledge, the library was the place where she enjoyed going to relax and

just browse the different books. When the weather was good, if you couldn't find Velda at home, just know she was out on her mobility scooter going to or coming from the library. Not only were books her treasures, but you could also find treasures, cash, in her books. Her family knew that books were her hiding place for her stash. She would hide her cash so well that even she would forget in which book she put it.

She leaves to cherish loving memories: her sons, Kurk (Lisa), Louis (Shanda) and Jason (Tammy); George Savage, Sr., whom she lovingly called "Daddy"; siblings, Brenda (Curtis), Brinada (Braxton) and Karen; paternal brothers and sisters, Douglas, Sylvia (Johnny), Alan, Curtis (Keia), Baron, Kim, Shameka and Clyde; grandchildren, Kenisha, Deron (who stayed by her side caring for her every step of the way), Takisha, Jason, Kurk, Jr., Adriana, Melvin, Joshua, Jr., Xavier, King, Queens, Peyton, Sammy, and Morgan; great grandchildren, Kyaina, Kalani and Carter; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Velda was preceded in death by: her husband, Norman Ballard; her mother, Mildred Savage; children, Josiah and Antoinette Wallop; siblings, George, Jr. and Jerome Savage; paternal sister Audrey Dennis and great grandson, Elijah. .

Submitted With Love ~ The Family

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - Princess Anne

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Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

Bennie Smith Funeral Home - January 15, 2025 at 06:32 PM

BT

All of us at River Oaks Day Center are praying for the family- Velda was a wonderful person- she will be missed

Brandy Trader - January 17, 2025 at 10:03 AM

WA

“ *With love from Douglas, Sylvia and Alan purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Velda Katrina Ballard.*



With love from Douglas, Sylvia and Alan - January 15, 2025 at 09:25 AM

TW

“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



Thomas Widgeon - January 14, 2025 at 08:22 AM

JJ

“ Sending love and prayers to the family. I am truly sorry for the loss of Ms Velda, from the moment I became her daughter n law she showed me nothing but love. She was truly someone special, and even after my divorce she still treated me like family. My thoughts and prayers are will you all ❤️🙏

Jamie James - January 13, 2025 at 08:02 PM

CJ

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of my my long time friend and co-worker Velda. May God continue to comfort and strengthen the family. You are in my thoughts and prayers 🙏❤️

Catherine Jackson - January 27, 2025 at 02:27 PM

TF

“ The Merrill Ward family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Velda Katrina Ballard.



The Merrill Ward family - January 13, 2025 at 06:52 PM