



Mathilda A Mason-Reese

November 4, 2023

Mathilda Ann Mason was born August 6, 1939, in Lafayette, Louisiana, the youngest of two children born to George Sam and Mable George. She was baptized at an early age and inspired by her spiritually devoted and God fearing parents. She was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Lafayette Louisiana and attended Immaculate Heart of Mary Elementary School. She graduated from Holy Rosary institute where she excelled in academics, played basketball and was a cheerleader.

While in High School she worked at her dad's drive-in restaurant where she would take her younger cousins on rides in her brand new convertible. She continued her education attending Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. In 1960 she married her childhood sweetheart Alton Dural and through that union one child was born, David Brian Dural. In 1965 she relocated to El Sobrante, California

where she lived for several years. She met and married William Williamson and through that union Jerrold Scott Williamson was born. Mathilda loved cooking, reading, helping people, and watching her western movies. She worked for Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services from March 1973 until she retired in April 1997 as an Office Clerk II. She had a close circle of friends among her co-workers, where in 1995 she met her close friend and they became like sisters, Dr. Linda Boykins and they traveled, went on retreats, short trips, and cruises together. In 2003 to 2006 Mathilda joined Dr. Linda in the foster care business and she took on the role of Operations Manager and she ran the office and worked with the staff, foster parents and foster children that was licensed in nine counties and had offices in three counties. She loved her job and the people loved her. In 2008, Mathilda joined St. Patrick Catholic Church and loved participating in the churches fish fry's and going on church retreats. She was also a faithful member of Court 95 Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver. Mathilda was a good writer, organizer, and planner. She never was shy about giving advice or making her opinion known. Her favorite quote, "I'm keeping it real" and "You asked me." She was loved by everyone she met and got to know and she will be

surely missed. Gone but never forgotten, "we'll always love you Mrs. Tillie."
Hail to the queen.

Mathilda was preceded in death by her parents, George and Mable; and her beloved

husband Rayce H. Mason. Mathilda is survived by her sister; Vivian; the loves of her life her sons; Jerrold and David; daughter in law Sharla Williamson, grandchildren; Jerrold Jr., Kaylen, Taylor, Jada; Adam Jr; Charles and Chad; and extended family members, nieces, nephews, and friends.

Special thanks to Gwendolyn Morris for being her caregiver for many years you did a

wonderful job. Dr. Linda Baptiste you were a great friend and confidant to our beloved mother. She considered you as her "sister." We couldn't have done it without

the both of you. We love you all.

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 16. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church
1023 Peralta St
Oakland, CA 94607

Service

NOV 16. 10:00 AM (PT)

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Interment

NOV 16. 1:00 PM (PT)

Rolling Hills Memorial Park
4100 Hilltop Drive
Richmond, CA 94803