

A Celebration of Life for
Jennifer Jean Mason



Sunrise
March 5, 1952

Sunset
January 15, 2022

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Family Visitation: 10:30 a.m.
Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries®
Annex at 5055 Allentown Road
Suitland, Maryland 20746

Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor

Obituary

Jennifer Jean Isaac was born on March 5, 1952, in Washington, D.C., to Samuel and Mabel Isaac. She was raised by her entrepreneurial parents who owned a thriving shoe shop, dry cleaners, and taxicab service in Northwest, Washington, D.C.

Jennifer attended Cardozo High School where she met her first and only boyfriend, Gary Mock. She was a cheerleader and he was a star football player. They became inseparable and married soon after they graduated from Cardozo in 1970. From that union were born three sons: Gary II, Jovan, and Christopher. With all three children in tow, the young couple began a life of adventure. They enjoyed traveling as often as possible—going to beaches, skiing, parasailing, hiking, flying, and riding motorcycles.

Before entering the business world, Jennifer completed her studies at the Washington School for Secretaries. She had an illustrious 36-year career at the Federal Communications Commission before retiring in 2013. As their children got older, Jennifer and Gary continued their life of adventure, traveling all over the globe enjoying the various cultures and international cuisines.

Gary and Jennifer joined From the Heart Church Ministries in 1991 and were involved in the life of the church prior to her illness. Jennifer loved Jesus with all her heart and she would let her witness be evident by the conversation of her life. That conversation was always full of joy, laughter, and giving. Whether it was sharing an encouraging word, a home-cooked meal, or hosting a last-minute baby shower, she loved to give. She was a kind, strong, pure-hearted woman who gave sacrificially, but never sought credit or praise. She had a special relationship with each and every person's life she touched.

After more than 51 years of marriage, Jennifer departed this life with her husband by her side on January 15, 2022. In her last moments, her husband encouraged her to take the Lord's hand and walk with Him to heaven. Her family, her church, her friends, neighbors, and even strangers, who crossed her path, agree that life will never be the same without Jennifer. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Jennifer leaves to cherish her memory her husband Gary, Sr.; sons: Gary II, Jovan, and Christopher; daughter-in-law, Shahnaaz; grandchildren: Martel, Christian, Joshua, and Jessy; brother, Sam; nieces: Mashonda, Jennifer, Erica, Ashley, and Erin; nephews: Jehru, Robert, Ryan, and Jarrett; sisters-in-law: Delilah, Avis, and Beverly; and a host of extended family members and friends.

Jennifer was preceded in death by her parents, Samuel and Mabel Isaac; and sister, Brenda.

Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 23
New Testament: I Peter 2:24

Prayer of Comfort

Selection *Mrs. Linda Gray*

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Mr. Gary and Mrs. Shahnaaz Mason
Mr. Gary Mason

Obituary (Read Aloud) *Mr. Jovan Mason*

Song of Preparation *Mrs. Linda Gray*

Message of Hope *Reverend Walter V. McLaughlin, III*

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment

National Harmony Memorial Park
7101 Sheriff Road
Hyattsville, MD 20785

Family Sentiments



Jennifer and I met at 16 and were married by 18. We always lived our lives totally as one. We had three amazing sons who blessed our lives and made it richer. We made all of our decisions together-whether it was financial, raising the children, or any important decisions-we always made them together. A big part of my life is empty without my wife, but I have accepted that this was the Lord's decision and she is now with God in His Kingdom.

I love you, Jen...until such time as we are together again!

Your loving husband, Gary

To my dearest Auntie, thank you so much for the abundance of love you bestowed on me and everyone you met. Your loving kindness, thoughtfulness, courage, and most of all your forgiving heart will always be an example to us all. Words alone can never express how much you have always and will always mean to me. You are always in my heart. Until we meet again, Thank you for being my beloved Auntie.

Mashonda Smith

"In the end, to embody love is a practice of continuously engaging in the cycle of acceptance, presence, and open-heartedness, which Aunt Jennifer excelled in as a beacon of joy for our family."

Love, Uncle Alfred and Family

I remember Jennifer at our first family reunion. She was so excited about having a family reunion. She worked hard to pull it off. It was so amazing and memorable. Jennifer would always say, "We need to stick together as a family." Such a wise statement and lasting legacy for our family.

Love you always, Ravonne Glass

Dear Mimi,

You loved me as a daughter for almost three decades and I treasured every moment. You always had the right words, gave the perfect gifts, and called at the right moment. I appreciate your unselfish love for your family and others. What I admire most is your sincere relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It informed all you said and did. You supported my marriage and you were a kind and loving grandmother. Thank you for sharing your precious son with me and becoming one of my best friends. I love you and miss you deeply. I'll see you again one day.

Shahnaaz Mason

Family Sentiments (continued)

My Dearest Gary, Shahnaaz, and family:

What can one say, what can one do, at a time like this? It is sad, and I share your sadness with you. To lose such a one as your mother, mother-in-law, and grandma is surely one of the most painful moments - not only in your lives, but also in the lives of those whom she touched.

And yet, to paraphrase Gibran, we grieve not, for what is best in her can be seen clearer from a distance, as the climber sees the mountain from the plains. For what is it to die, but to be able to soar to the firmaments, with the soul unencumbered? Is it not the moment we enter His Kingdom? The moment when we return to the Source, and are we not at one with our Maker?

No, indeed we grieve not for the departed, but the void she has left behind. For me, the thought of not being able to see my mother again is indeed heart wrenching; and yet over time, I am left with wonderful memories of her, and am thankful indeed that I was able to share a part of my life with her. And in that knowledge there is peace and a warm glow in my heart, as there will be in yours.

With all my love, always, Uncle Nazir

I met Jennifer Mock while attending high school with her son Gary. It didn't take long for me to realize that she was phenomenal. She treated me like her own son anytime I would visit. She showed me what it means to be an ideal woman of God. During our numerous conversations, she would always give me words of wisdom and encouragement. Her love for her family was evident by the way she cared for her husband, children and grandchildren. I am eternally grateful that God allowed me to be blessed by her presence.

May she rest in peace, Kirk Alexander

We grieve because we had the opportunity of connecting deeply with Jennifer Mock.

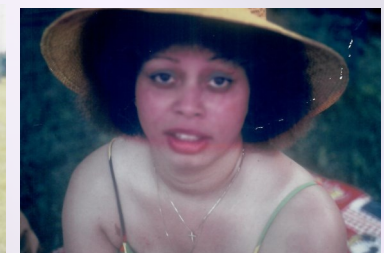
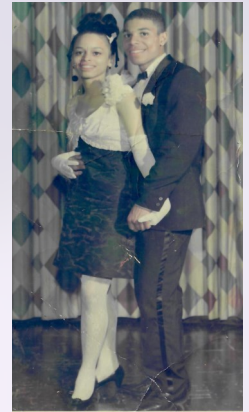
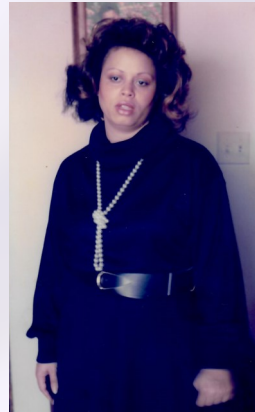
Jennifer, a strong and direct person, hardworking, driven, logical and exceedingly honest, a loyal friend and great listener. Remembering when I first met Jennifer through Jennifer's son Gary who became "OUR" son. Jennifer and I formed an everlasting bond of friendship-family ship. I will always remember how STRONG and committed Jennifer was to the family. Jennifer's pride exemplified perseverance and laughter.

Jennifer had wonderful intuition about anything and anyone and would speak her mind in the classiest way possible. It stung for a bit, but made you want to be better. I will always be mindful of Jennifer's great style and taste in people. No one will ever replace Jennifer Mock. We all must stay strong and celebrate who Jennifer was and Jennifer's spirit.

Gary (my son) Mr. Mock, Sr. and Family remember when challenges are thrown your way, Jennifer would want us to be true to ourselves; speak our minds; work our butts off; wine and dine and enjoy the finer things in life.

Jennifer Mock's actions taught us that "Life is a Journey Not a destination." Peace; Support; Prayers and Lots of LOVE. Thanks for making me feel like "FAMILY."

Jewell Ryan-White





Pallbearers

*Martel Curtis
Gary Mason, II
Joshua Mason
Christopher Mock-Mason
Jovan Mock-Mason
William Walker*

*Reserve:
Nelson Rhone, Jr.*

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We the family of Jennifer Jean Mock-Mason sincerely thank all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!



Services Entrusted to:

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