



Birdie Ann Mercer Korne

December 3, 1946 - June 26, 2020

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"Imagine stepping onto a shore and finding it is Heaven. Imagine taking hold of a hand and finding its God's hand. Imagine breathing new air and finding it is celestial. Imagine feeling invigorated and finding its immortality. Imagine passing from storms and tempests to an unknown calm. Imagine waking up and finding its home. "

As the youngest of six children born to Isiah Mercer Sr. and Beulah Johnnie Hurd Mercer of Round Rock, Texas, Birdie Ann entered the world December 3, 1946 in Taylor, Texas, with the assistance of Dr. James Lee Dickey, the only African-American practitioner in Williamson County,

In this family of love and discipline, Birdie received seeded lessons in family and Christian values, which bore fruit throughout her life. With the prevailing patterns of racial segregation, the close-knit African American community and its teachers provided her with a sound education, where upon she graduated from Hopewell High School along with her lifelong friend, Helen McConico.

While attending Hopewell, Birdie played in the band under Mr. Jimmie Jones, music teacher and band director. She, along with her cousin, Billie Mercer, played the trumpet. Exceptionally talented with this instrument, Birdie attended a music camp at the University of Texas where Mr. Jones presented her to the music department. They experienced amazement by her graceful technique and melodious sounds emitting from her instrument.

Birdie Ann accepted Christ at an early age at the Mercer Family's lifelong church, Sweet Home Baptist Church, and received water baptism by Rev. E. M. Franklin.

At 6:45 pm, June 26th, Birdie Ann entered eternal rest with her eldest daughter, Teeyia Mercer, at her side.

In departing this life Birdie joins her parents, Isiah Sr., and Beulah Mercer; son, James Harper, Jr.; sisters, Vivian Franklin and Beulah Faye Hall; brothers, Isiah Mercer, Jr. and James Willie Mercer Sr., and nephew, Victor Gerard Gibson in eternity.

Birdie Ann's memories will be remembered by daughters, Teeyia Mercer and Tracy Harper; grandsons, Matthew James Harper Nelson and Dedric Washington; and her sister, Jessie Mae Mercer Carson. Additionally, Birdie leaves a host of beloved aunts,

uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends to cherish her memory.

The family of Birdie Korne will plan a Memorial Service at a future date.

Comments



“ Whitney Woods lit a candle in memory of Birdie Ann Mercer Korne



Whitney Woods - July 14 at 09:40 AM



“ Larvin Jefferson lit a candle in memory of Birdie Ann Mercer Korne



Larvin Jefferson - July 03 at 11:03 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Birdie Ann Mercer Korne.



July 01 at 03:59 PM



“ Birdie Ann always had a smile and a kindness about her. She always made sure that anyone who came in contact with her was "ok." She will be greatly missed. My deepest condolences to the Mercer family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Love,
Tina



Tina Steiner - June 30 at 09:27 PM



“ Dear Mom,

We have come through a lot together. We have laughed and argued and sometimes driven each other crazy – but we survived. We may not have always seen eye to eye on things, but we understood each other better than we used to. We wouldn't be family if we got along perfectly – what's important is that we love each other no matter what.

Love,
Teeyia & Tracy

Teeyia & Tracy - June 30 at 07:45 PM



“ Sorry for your loss! condolences love and take care!

Daryle Freeman - July 01 at 04:59 PM



“ Marva Janeen Mercer Butler lit a candle in memory of Birdie Ann Mercer Korne



Marva Janeen Mercer Butler - June 30 at 05:49 PM