



## Mrs. Maurice (Reecie) Owens

July 2, 1925 - August 11, 2021

<https://livestream.com/accounts/7325565/mauriceowens>

Mrs. Maurice Owens was born July 2, 1925 in Schulenburg, Texas to Mr. I.V. Hilliard and Miss Cora Lee Clark. The family moved to Austin, TX, where Maurice attended and graduated from L.C. Anderson Senior High School. Mrs. Owens was married to Mr. Samuel C. Owens Sr. She received Christ at an early age as a member of the Sweet Home Missionary Baptist Church in the historic Clarksville community. There she served as the Church Secretary. In the late 1950s she moved her family to Compton, California, where she continued to raise her six kids. In 1968 she returned to Austin and joined the St. James Missionary Baptist Church where she served on the Usher Board for over fifty years. She also was active with the Mission and Senior Saints Choir. She was also active locally in The Order of the Eastern Star. Maurice landed a job as a custodian for the Travis State School shortly after relocating to Austin. She started in an entry-level position, but due to her innate leadership qualities she soon became a supervisor, then a manager and ultimately the Director of Housekeeping. She was the first Black woman to hold this position, supervising over seventy employees and a six-figure budget. She retired from that position in the summer of 1990. Mrs. Owens enjoyed traveling, bowling, playing dominoes and bingo. She was a devoted mother who would do anything for her children. She is survived by her six children. Gwendolyn "Peaches" Williams, Samuel

(Gloria) Owens, Jr., Sandra Kay (Ralph) White, Chester (Rose) Owens, Pastor Ray (Dion) Owens and Andre (Shelia) Owens; along with her many grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren and countless other family and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Cook-Walden Capital Parks

14501 IH 35  
Pflugerville, TX 78660

# Previous Events

## PUBLIC VIEWING FOLLOWING CDC GUIDELINES

AUG **20**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

St. James Baptist Church  
3417 E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd  
Austin, TX 78721

## Celebration Service

AUG **21**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Baptist Church  
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Austin, TX 78721

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Maurice (Reecie) Owens*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM

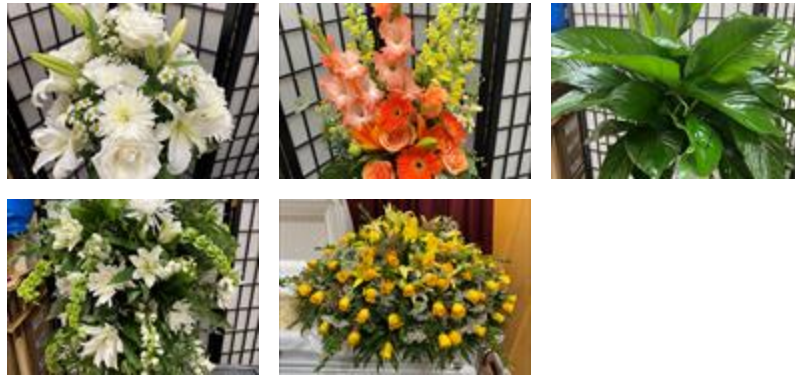


“ *On behalf of my grandmother Mrs. Marie Brown, I just want to say that bingo, dominoes or the center will NEVER be the same! My Granny wasn't able to make it to your home going service but she was there at heart. She took your transition very hard but when she makes it to heaven y'all can whoop everybody behind on the crap table then. Save a seat for her... not to soon. ❤️🙏*

**Tarsha Fowler** - September 22, 2021 at 10:23 AM



“ *6 files added to the album Memories Album*



**A Life Celebration by Franklin** - August 21, 2021 at 02:02 AM



“ *What a beautiful lady! She will be missed! She was always a joy to be around during the bowling league on Friday night.  
Paul and Ellen Bailey*

**Ellen Bailey** - August 20, 2021 at 03:32 PM

KB

“ *Kay Ballage Baylor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maurice (Reecie) Owens*



**Kay Ballage Baylor** - August 14, 2021 at 08:30 PM

SE

“ *Sammie Eppright lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Maurice (Reecie) Owens*



**Sammie Eppright** - August 13, 2021 at 08:32 PM

RD

“ *I was so sadden to here Ms Owens had passed. She lived a wonderful life that many only dream about. She was a very caring and sweet lady. She will truly be missed. May you RIP*

**Ruby J Dove** - August 13, 2021 at 02:09 PM

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*My Condolences to the Family.*

*Cynthia Ricks*

**Cynthia Ricks** - August 19, 2021 at 08:55 PM