



Valencia Kennedy

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Services for Mrs. Valencia Kennedy, 58, of Lufkin, is scheduled at 11 a.m., Saturday, February 26, 2022, in the Abundant Life Methodist Church. Interment will follow in the Cedar Grove Cemetery. Mrs. Kennedy was born on February 11, 1964, in Lufkin, and died on Sunday, February 13, 2022, in Lufkin. Valencia Ruth Kennedy was born in Lufkin, Texas on February 11, 1964, to the late Oscar

Kennedy and Bettie Ruth Kennedy. She was to us, "Lency," and to some "Big Red." Valencia was baptized at New Zion Baptist Church at a very young age, under the leadership of the late L.D. Bell. Valencia attended schools in Lufkin and graduated from Lufkin High School with the Class of 1982. She was a popular student and loved her classmates. She played clarinet in the Jr. High School Band under the direction of Mr. Bobby Richardson. She also was a gifted athlete and ran track under the direction of Mrs. Willie Mae Burley.

Valencia married Jack Reggie, Jr. Shortly after graduating from High School, and to this union was born one son, Jack Reggie, III, and a year later a daughter, LaRhonde Xavier LeShe. Valencia was a hard worker and worked multiple jobs to raise and care for her children. She attended Angelina College and received her certification as a Nursing Assistant (CNA). She worked at various Nursing Homes in the Lufkin area. She was a loving and attentive caregiver who took exceptional care of her patients. In later years as her health began to wane, and she could no longer work full time, Valencia worked part-time at the Lewis-Toran Community Center, serving lunch meals to seniors. She loved decorating the Center and making it inviting and festive for the senior citizens. In recent years, Valencia joined Abundant Life UMC. Her declining health had not allowed her to be as active as she would have liked. The joy of her life was her family, especially her children and grandchildren. She was the one who you could count on to plan a celebration, no matter the occasion because



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she loved to bring the family together. She especially loved to celebrate in February the month of her birth, which included: the birthdays of three of her siblings, (Keith, Bettell, and Willette), her niece (Marea Franklin), Her niece's husband, (Dr. Brodus Franklin), brother-in-law, (Anthony Watts, and play big brother, (Anthony Pendland). She was planning a big birthday celebration this year just before her passing. As she expressed in a text o Willette, she wanted to celebrate: "So we can have a big old good time with all my family, take pictures and eat. Valencia will especially be missed for her excellent cooking, sassiness, wit, humor, and overall love of life.

Valencia was preceded in death by her father, Oscar Kennedy; Mother, Bettie R. Kennedy; Sister, Oscar Vernell Kennedy-Jordan and niece, Shanita Kennedy.

Survivors: Special friend, James Lewis; Son, Jack (Jawuoia) Reggie, Ill; Daughter, LaRohnde

"Shay" (Brandon) Kennedy-Garner; nine grandchildren, Keyshawn, Braylon, Jazzlyn, Jayden,

Jaxen, Gianna, Ja'Quentin, Ja'Lencia, and Ja'Nia; Sisters, Miriam (Howard) Coleman, Bettell

(Rex) Benham, Willette (Roy) DuBose, Bettie (Anthony) Watts, and Angela Moreland; Brothers, Oscar D. (Myrtle) Kennedy; Kermit Kennedy and Keith (Lisa) Kennedy; A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and very dear friends.



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VJ

Victor Johnson posted:

Miss you Sis, Love you, Better late then sorry right !

July 16 at 7:46 AM

OW

Odessa L Wright sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.



June 17 at 5:48 AM

LJ

Latika Jenkins lit a candle in honor of Valencia.



March 21 at 10:43 AM

KJ

Kay Jones lit a candle in honor of Valencia.



March 3 at 1:24 PM

DL

Donna Marie Lewis posted:

Valencia was a member of New Zion Baptist Church the same time I was. My name is Donna Lewis and. I am Mrs. Rachel's great niece. I am sorry to hear she passed away. My sympathy and condolences to her family.

March 2 at 9:26 AM

AM

Angela M. posted:

Now that we have put our sister to rest. I would like to say thank you to all who shared a memory or lit a candle. She is missed so very much.

March 1 at 3:42 PM



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WP

Wanda Porterphillips sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 27 at 6:53 PM



DC

Debra Collins lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

Debra Collins, I am praying for that peace that pass all understanding for the family.

February 26 at 10:10 AM



JF

Jackie Ford lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 25 at 5:09 PM



JF

Jackie Ford lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 25 at 5:09 PM



WW

Winifred & Betty Watts sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 25 at 3:32 PM



Kathy Coutee lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 24 at 8:20 AM





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TM

Tommie Mallard lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 22 at 6:53 PM



FR

Florene Rhoads lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

My thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Ms. Kennedy.

February 22 at 6:20 PM



TJ

Thaniel & Robbie Jenkins lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 21 at 11:16 AM



LG

Leighanne Glenn posted:

I am so glad I had the opportunity to know you sweet lady....See you on the other side

February 21 at 9:54 AM

VR

Veronica Roberson lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 20 at 3:56 PM



MK

Myrtle Kennedy lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

Oscar & Myrtle Kennedy

February 20 at 2:55 AM





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DF

Darrell O. Forney sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 19 at 5:58 PM



ES

Eric Shepard lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 19 at 12:59 PM



JP

Jo Anne Pierson lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 19 at 11:26 AM



AK

Annie Kiel lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 19 at 8:11 AM



JS

Jurlene Sparks lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 18 at 5:21 PM



AM

A. Moreland posted:

My sister I'm going to miss you. You are not going to be forgotten. God called your name and you answer. My God, My sister. Hold Shanita's hand. My sister the love will never fade.

February 18 at 4:51 PM



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HF

Hedy B. Smith & Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Kennedy family.



February 18 at 9:29 AM

CA

Corey Austin lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

Such a sweet lady and full of life. She will be missed dearly by myself all who knew her.



February 18 at 7:35 AM

LR

Llewelyn Veronica White Runny February 20 at 3:51 PM

My Prayers Lord Bless My Family Valencia Cuz You Really Will Be Truly Missed Tell Everyone I Say Hello Pray For Us We Really Need You Right Now

AC

Annie Cole lit a candle in honor of Valencia.



February 18 at 6:03 AM

AC

Annie Cole lit a candle in honor of Valencia.



February 18 at 6:02 AM

CF

Cathy Freeman posted:

May God truly Comfort the family, during this time of bereavement. Ms. Cathy Freeman, Georgia

February 17 at 11:13 PM

WM

Wilria Monmouth sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.



February 17 at 8:05 PM



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SR

Sarah A. Reggie lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

WILL MISS YOU VERY MUCH AND YOU NEVER STOP BEING MY FAVORITE.SARAH ANN REGGIE

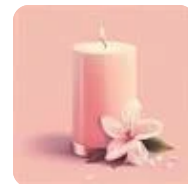
February 17 at 5:48 PM



KS

Kyrita Settler lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 17 at 3:12 PM



SH

Scharlotte Hackney lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

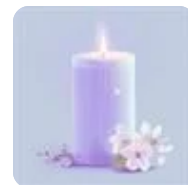
February 17 at 2:41 PM



AI

Alzada Spikes Ivey lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

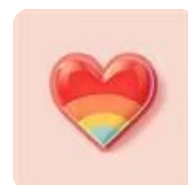
February 17 at 10:48 AM



CB

Cynthia Bogan sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 17 at 9:39 AM



CB

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February 17 at 9:38 AM





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BW

Betty Watts sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 17 at 9:15 AM



DR

Danny Roundtree lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 7:14 PM



AW

Alfreda Wortham posted:

RIP Queen RED ❤️🙏

February 16 at 3:32 PM

SG

Shela Gibson lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 2:11 PM



LH

Lisa Hageon lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 11:27 AM



SD

Sabrina Davis lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 7:50 AM





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SD

Sabrina Davis sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 7:50 AM



CS

Constance Coleman-Shepard lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

Auntie AKA "Big Red" You will ALWAYS have a special place in my heart. Miss you already.

February 16 at 5:50 AM



DB

Donald Bevil lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 3:09 AM



HC

Howard J & Miriam Coleman lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 16 at 1:52 AM



TF

Teresa Freeman lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 5:35 PM



YC

Yolanda Blake-Conway lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 11:55 AM





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Patricia Austin sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 6:47 AM



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February 15 at 6:41 AM



Rose Hadnot lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 6:35 AM



Patricia Austin lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 6:28 AM



Donald Lamelle lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 5:40 AM



Pastor And Mrs. F. D. Blakemore lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 4:57 AM





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PB

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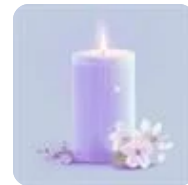
February 15 at 4:55 AM



AB

Andrew Bagley lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 4:08 AM



SW

Shurmeka Wortham lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 3:14 AM



JA

Joann Hodge Argumon lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

Will never be forgotten cuz

February 15 at 3:01 AM



RM

Robin Mcdaniel lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 2:55 AM



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SJ

Sabrina Jones lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 15 at 1:57 AM



SK

Sylvia Kirkwood lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 9:26 PM



PH

Pearl Harden lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 7:37 PM



BW

Bettie Kennedy-Watts posted:

To my big sister Valencia I will love you always and we will continue to celebrate family ❤️❤️❤️

February 14 at 5:33 PM

JR

Jimmie Riviere sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 4:37 PM



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February 14 at 4:37 PM





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AD

Anita Darks sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 4:28 PM



AM

Angela M. posted:

My sister! My sister! God knew your pain. God knew all things. My Lord, My God. Kiss mom and Dad and Vernell for me.

February 14 at 4:27 PM

EC

Elaine Carrington sent a virtual gift in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 4:27 PM



CL

Charylone Lampkin lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 3:44 PM



MG

Monica Gibson lit a candle in honor of Valencia.

February 14 at 2:44 PM





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