



## Ms. Ora Cee Evans

March 24, 1956 - January 19, 2026

Ms. Ora Cee Evans of Forrest City, Arkansas transitioned from this life on January 19, 2026, at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia.

Ora was born on March 24, 1956, in Forrest City, Arkansas, to the late Junior Lee Willins and Annie Mae Willins.

On February 24, 1973, Ora was united in holy matrimony to Albert Evans, who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by her sister, Geneva Watson; her paternal grandparents, Otha Willins and Frankie Westbrook; and her maternal grandparents, David and Leola Forrest.

Ora attended Forrest City High School. After completing her education, she began her working career at Yale Hoist in Forrest City, Arkansas, and later at Lever Brothers in St. Louis, Missouri.

Ora leaves to cherish her loving memory her daughters, Kelli Willins of Irving, Texas, Tonjia Evans of Sandy Springs, Georgia, and Nicole Evans of Stone Mountain, Georgia; grandchildren, Jessie Adams, Jr. of Flint, Michigan, Shantwan Adams of Dallas, Texas, Anquanette Adams of Dallas, Texas, Resco Willins of Forney, Texas, Vernell Fowler, Jr., Tajh Fowler, Tiyanina Fowler, and Taquisha Evans, all of Sandy Springs, Georgia, and Eric Hargraves, Jr. of Euless, Texas; thirteen great-grandchildren; siblings, Larry Willins of DeSoto, Texas, Carolyn Winkfield of West Memphis, Arkansas, Terry (Odessa) Willins of Colt, Arkansas, and Teresa (Tesell) Smith of Houston, Texas; aunt, Barbara Young of Stockbridge, Georgia; and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.

Ora Cee was truly the life of the party and was loved by all who came in contact with her. She never met a stranger, and her love, laughter, and spirited presence will forever live on in the hearts of those who knew her.

A private memorial service will be held by the family. This obituary was submitted by

immediate family members.

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ *Katrina B lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans*



**Katrina B** - February 03 at 01:05 AM

SH

“ *To the family...Look to God...Psalm 121:1.* 🙏❤️



**Sherline Anthony Hooper** - January 30 at 03:12 PM

TE

“ *My mom was a Pilar of light in every situation. She was a warrior! There was always laughter, fun, music & dancing. Whenever she was around. She never displayed foible. She made me feel protected. I love you mom a.k.a Big O. You'll forever live in my heart.*

*Thanks to all who took the time to send condolences and memory of my dear mother.*

*God bless you all!*

*~Tonjia~*

**Tonjia Evans** - January 29 at 06:11 PM

PG

“ *Rest in Paradise classmate* 🙏



**Patricia Winfrey Gregory** - January 24 at 05:21 PM

ST

“ *Evans family and friends, Heartfelt condolences to you at this difficult time. Prayers 🙏*



Shirley Williams Thorn - January 24 at 02:04 PM

OR

*Prayers n comfort to the family*

oteria McKnight Ruffin - February 01 at 11:20 AM

RW

“ *Rene' Williams lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans*



Rene' Williams - January 23 at 10:49 AM

RW

“ *Rene' Ward lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans*



Rene' Ward - January 23 at 10:49 AM

DJ

“ *Dorothy. Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans*



Dorothy. Johnson - January 23 at 10:26 AM

SM

“ From the McKnight family u will be truly missed  
I will never forget u , T, ed, Larry , Carlyon, an Mrs Annie  
may love this family was very nice to me back in the days  
the spot was cherry, Buford, Gorman these was the streets.



Shurg McKnight - January 23 at 09:53 AM

SM

“ Shurg McKnight lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee  
Evans



Shurg McKnight - January 23 at 09:49 AM

BM

“ My condolences to The Willins family, Ora C. was very friendly and nice. I first got  
to meet family through Carolyn we meet in 7th grade. My late mother used to  
babysit her girls while she worked. She always treated me nice. Please keep the  
family in Prayer.

Betty Maxey  
Rochester, NY

Betty Maxey - January 23 at 08:34 AM

SM

“ Sandra Mcmillion lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee  
Evans



Sandra Mcmillion - January 23 at 06:29 AM

SM

R.I.P Ora Cee ❤️

Sandra Mcmillion - January 23 at 06:30 AM

DM

“ A word of comfort and of hope, that in your deepest sorrow, you will find new strength and peace of mind and courage for tomorrow.” Please know that you are in our prayers.



*Sending condolences to the family of Ora Cee Willins Evans on behalf of The Lincoln High School - Maroon & Gold National Alumni Association, Inc. (MGNAAI), Forrest City, Arkansas. Ora Cee was a member of the Forrest City High School Class of 1974.”*

*Delores Farr Morelon  
MGNAAI President*

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**Delores Morelon - MGNAAI** - January 23 at 02:25 AM

JS

“ John Swift lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans



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**John Swift** - January 23 at 02:09 AM

JS

“ RIP Big O. See you on the other side.

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**John Swift** - January 23 at 02:08 AM

FB

“ Felecia Bell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans



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**Felecia Bell** - January 23 at 02:02 AM

LL

“ *She was always a sweet person to be around. She always had kind words for me whenever I saw her. She was a joy to be around. The Lucas family will continue to pray for her family.* ”



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**Lita Lucas** - January 23 at 01:22 AM

BJ

“ *Bobbie Jones lit a candle in memory of Ms. Ora Cee Evans* ”



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**Bobbie jones** - January 23 at 01:06 AM