

Celebrating THE LIFE OF



Patricia
Gray
Ann

Sunrise: August 09, 1952

Sunset: November 24, 2025



November 30, 2025 - 11:00am
Disciples of Christ Church
289 Hallspur Rd, Hazlehurst, GA 31539
Apostle Cortez Eady, Pastor

Mother, I Miss You



My dear mother, you left us too soon
Leaving behind a heartache that makes us swoon
Your absence leaves a void that cannot be filled
And a pain that will never be stilled

I remember the way you used to smile
It could light up the darkest of miles
I remember the way you used to care
It was something that we could always share

You were always there for me, no matter what
Your love and kindness, I will never forget
You taught me how to be strong and brave
And how to face the challenges that life gave

I miss you more than words can say
And I think of you every single day
But I know you're watching from above
And sending us all your eternal love

So I'll try to live my life as you would want
And hold onto the memories that we have wrought
Your legacy will live on in the hearts of those
Whose lives you touched and whose love you chose

Rest in peace, my dear mother, till we meet again
In a place where there is no pain and no end
You'll always be a part of me, that I know
And your love will forever continue to grow.

Your Sons, William & Steven

Patricia Ann Cray

A life well-lived. A soul well-loved. Rest in peace.



*Hands once lost now join again
Hearts once broken, blessed
A family reunited
In God's eternal rest*

A life rooted in love, service, and unwavering faith



Patricia Ann Cray departed this life on November 24, 2025 at the blessed age of 73. Born on August 9, 1952 in Hazlehurst, Georgia, She was the beloved daughter of the late Lue Hill and Inez (Clarence) Taylor.

As a member of Disciples of Christ Church in Hazlehurst, Georgia, Patricia Ann lived a life rooted in love, service, and unwavering faith. Her gentle spirit, generous heart, and deep devotion to her family touched all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her devoted husband, William H. Cray, Sr.; her cherished daughter, Yvonda M. Cray-Simmons; and her precious granddaughter, Kemaria James. She also joins in eternal rest her siblings: Teresa Y. Easton and Melissa Hill.

Patricia Ann leaves behind a loving legacy in her children: Steven (Gloria) Cray, Sr. of Hazlehurst, Georgia and William (Rosa) Cray of Atlanta, Georgia.

Her memory will live on in the hearts of her 5 grandsons, 6 granddaughters, 14 great-grandsons, and 10 great-granddaughters. Her memory will also be cherished by two people who held a special place in her heart—her goddaughter, Rhonda Powell-Burley, and Yulanda Sanders—as well as a special son-in-law, Henry Lee Simmons, all of Hazlehurst, Georgia.

She is also survived by her four devoted brothers: Eugene Hill (Barbara), Clarence Taylor, Jr., Timothy Ray Taylor and Reverend Douglas (Bridgette) Taylor and two loving sisters: Juanita Delores Taylor and Mary Townsel.

She shared a lifelong, sibling bond with her cousins Willie Lee (Elizabeth) Sanders, Bobbie Jean (John) Moss and Daisy (John) Chatman, and was a source of strength and love to generations of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and all who were blessed to know her.

Patricia Ann's legacy is one of faith, family, and boundless love—a life well-lived and deeply treasured.

A Celebration of Life

Apostle Esther Coates, Presiding



Prelude	.....	Musician
Processional/Final Glance	.....	Clergy & Family
Scripture Readings		
<i>Old Testament</i>	.....	Evangelist Louise Coney
<i>New Testament</i>	.....	Brother Thomas Knox
Prayer of Comfort	.....	Apostle Esther Coates
Musical Selection	.....	Disciples of Christ Praise Team
Reflections	.....	<i>Please limit to 2 minutes</i>
Solo	.....	Bre Eady
Words of Comfort	.....	Apostle Cortez Eady
Acknowledgements	.....	Thornton's Funeral Home
Recessional	.....	Clergy, Family, Friends

“When on earth I am no more, I will be in Heaven forevermore.
Finally with my Savior who died, to live for eternity by His side.
This earthly life is temporal friend, with a beginning and an end.
However, my death is not my end, for that is when I shall ascend,
To a majestic place above the sky, to reign with my Lord on high.”



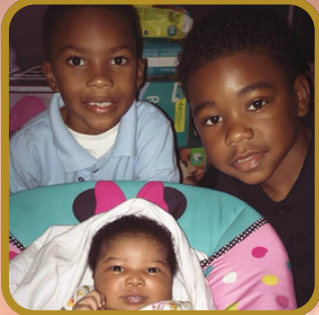
Granddaughters

- Keonia M. Cray
- Jasmine L. Gould
- Alexis (Keveion) Jones
- Shataslyn T. Cray
- Kamuel M. Simmons
- Katrice T. Cray

Great - Granddaughters

- Edriana Jones
- Charli Jones
- Karli Adams
- Harmonee Simmons
- Halle Cray
- Harper Cray
- Payton Cray
- Zoey King
- Zuri King
- Zara King





Grandsons

- Kortney J. Adams
- Steven (Kolby) Cray, Jr.
- Keyno J. Cray
- William J. Cray
- Jeremiah G. Cray

Great - Grandsons

- Bradán Cray
- Cade Cray
- Zantonio Adams, Jr.
- Ky'Ree Denning
- Eddie Jones, III
- Edmarion Jones
- King Jarrideau
- Ervin Austin
- Ja'Lin Streeter
- Ja'Cion Streeter
- Bryce King
- Braxton Johnson
- Chase Cray
- Kai Cray



Pallbearers

Greg Fredrick
Mondrae Brantley
Stacy Chambers
Jerry Garnes

Gary Williams
Kenny Eason
Mondray Weaver
Aurico Hill

Honorary Pallbearers

Jim Bennett
Quinton Smith
Rodney Clark, III

Steven Cray, Jr.
Bradana Cray
Reuben Bennett

Flower Attendants

Family and Friends

Acknowledgements

The family of the late Patricia Ann Hill-Cray would like to express our deepest gratitude for every prayer, visit, call, message, and act of kindness shown during this difficult time. Your love and support have brought us more comfort than words can say.

May God bless each of you and forever keep you in his loving grace.

With heartfelt appreciation,

The Family of Patricia Ann Hill-Cray

Internment

Hazlehurst Memorial Gardens
38 Cook Road
Hazlehurst, GA 301539

Repast

Bennett Tabernacle Holiness Church
26 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
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