



Ms. Judy Carolyn Mason

June 17, 1958 - November 12, 2025

Ms. Judy Mason, age 67, was born on June 17, 1958 in Gainesville, FL to Eartha and Sydney H. Ferguson. Judy attended Gainesville High School, later she devoted over twenty years towards working for the State of Florida with Tacachale and the Alachua Juvenile Detention Center before retiring. Beyond her career, she loved doing puzzles, playing video games, shopping, and playing in the yard with her grandchildren. Judy carried a firm, but loving spirit. She was known for her honesty and straightforward nature - she always spoke from the heart. To know Judy was to know strength, laughter, and love. She lived boldly, loved deeply, and left a mark that will stay with us forever. She was preceded in death by her father, two brothers, George C. Ferguson and Sidney F. Ferguson, and two sons, Antonio and Robert Mason. Judy leaves behind to cherish her memory; a loving spouse, Kenneth Waters; three sons, Adaryll Ferguson (Amanda) of Lexington Park, MD, Alonzo C. Mason, Jr. (Lashaunda), and Shavonte Johnson (Erica) both of Gainesville, FL; two daughters, Tamia Mason and Sheena Waters, both of Gainesville, FL; brother, Roosevelt Ferguson (Diane) of Gainesville, FL; two sisters, Viola Ferguson and Myra Lockett-Criswell (John), both of Gainesville, FL; twenty-six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, and special friends.

Public Viewing for Ms. Mason will be Friday, November 21, 2025 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Chestnut Memorial Chapel, 18 NW 8th Avenue, Gainesville,

FL 32601.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, November 22, 2025 at 1:00 PM at Greater Bethel AME Church, 701 SE 43rd Street, Gainesville, FL 32641.

Interment will follow immediately in Rutledge Community Cemetery, 4315 NW 23rd Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32606. "A CHESTNUT SERVICE"

Cemetery Details

Rutledge Cemetery

4315 NW 23 rd. Ave.
Gainesville, FL 32606

Previous Events

Public Viewing

NOV **21**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Chestnut Funeral Home
18 NW 8th Avenue
Gainesville, FL 32601

Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Greater Bethel AME Church
701 SE 43rd St
Gainesville, FL 32641

Tribute Wall

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“ Judy and I became friends in middle school. I thought of Judy as my sister. In fact, I wanted Roosevelt and George to adopt me into their family so I would have big brothers to protect, like Judy did. When she started dating my brother I really believed she was meant to be a part of my family. In high school our friendship grew even closer. As time progressed, after high school we lost contact with each other. Judy was beautiful inside and out. As a member of Gainesville High School Class of 1976, we salute and remember Judy Ferguson Mason. Her memories will always be a blessing. Rest in eternal peace my sister and classmate.

Chronda L Nicholas - December 02, 2025 at 10:59 AM

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“ May Almighty Father God bless and comfort the family and strengthen the family



Anthony Martin and jashon Johnson martin - November 23, 2025 at 01:41 PM

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“ I met Judy Ferguson - Mason when we were in Kindergarten going to A Quinn Jones.

She was always that Beautiful girl with the Long wavy Hair, always Smiling.

Years past and we realize we had Grandkids in common, so we Reconnected.

Judy, was a Loving Daughter, Sister, Mother, Auntie, Grandmother and Friend.

I will Truly Miss Her.

Dresden Hayes and Family

Dresden Hayes - November 20, 2025 at 11:35 AM