



## Annie Bell Kirkland

October 4, 1943 - November 23, 2025

Annie Bell Kirkland, aged 82, of Washington, DC, passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones November 23, 2025, in Marietta, GA. Born on October 04, 1943, in Augusta, GA. She was the 3rd daughter of 4. Annie was a devoted wife, mother, stepmom, grand/ great and Great-Great grandmother, daughter, auntie, niece, friend, as well as a cherished member of Peace Baptist Church and the community.

Annie was known for being the life of the party, bubbly personality, funny sense of humor, patience, kindness, amazing food, faith in God, and her love for her mother and family. Educated in the Augusta, GA public school system in the early 40s through the late 50s. She also lived in Boston and Miami, and Washington, DC., where she lived for 50+ years. She worked and retired from Guest Services with 25 years in hospitality.

Annie was always in a lane all of her own. Even with 10 kids she made sure everyone knew how special you were in their own way. Nothing meant more to her than family. With legs for days and a smile that will melt your heart per Bobby, she was a beautiful person in and out. Annie was a party starter and could cut a rug any time of the day, anywhere. When she came fun and a good time came right along with her.

She met the love of her life in Washington DC, in the early 70s. Ever since

they got together he was on that “Midnight train to Georgia” forever. They spent 44 wonderful years together with a bond that truly stood the test of time. Annie Bell was truly a queen in her own right. Some called her “Big Mama” some called her “The Queen Pen”, but she was “always known as” a true woman of God who walked in her faith daily.

Annie is survived by her Children, Johnnie Lee Gray (son) (Bobbie Johnson), Terri Brown (step-daughter), Latonia Thompson (daughter), Dwayne Thompson (son), Rochelle Wages (step-daughter), Angela Shaw (daughter) (Eddie), Carolynette LaGana, (daughter) (Bruce) Marnethia Williams (daughter) (Lawrence), Calvin Thompson, (son), Theda Coates (step-daughter), Sheryl Kirkland (daughter) (Labron Rudisill), Robert Kirkland Jr., (son) (Rickeeda), 32 Grand kids, 53 Great-Grand kids, 5 Great-Great Grand kids.

She is preceded in death by Robert Kirkland Sr., (husband) Antonio Thompson (son), Laura Bell Jackson (mother), Jay D. Gant (father), Carolyn Armstrong (sister), Rose Merry Hankerson (sister), Betty Beasley (sister) Johnnie Lee Gant (brother), Jerry Ramsey (Granddad), Louise Ramsey (Grandma).

# Cemetery Details

## Glenwood Cemetery

Washington, DC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Peace Baptist Church  
712 18th St NE  
Washington, DC 20002-7297  
(202) 399-3450

## Celebration of Life

DEC 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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712 18th St NE  
Washington, DC 20002-7297  
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## BURIAL

DEC 13. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Glenwood Cemetery  
Washington, DC



# Tribute Wall

KM

“Michelle and family,  
I am sorry to hear of your Momma's passing. Hold onto the memories and she is always with you in your heart even on the darkest days.💔💔💔

Kathy McLellan - December 10, 2025 at 08:04 PM

SA

“She was my second mother I loved her cooking she was truly a woman that loved the lord Ma will truly be missed ,from your other son big sam

Sam - December 09, 2025 at 06:44 PM

CT

“Ms Ann Mama Ann as I called her, always had a true spirit in her, she was the other mom on 49th that called the children her own and looked out for them all. She was always the life of the party and full of spunk. She will be truly missed.



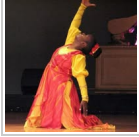
Carliss Terrell - December 09, 2025 at 11:42 AM



“Michelle LaGana lit a candle in memory of Annie Bell Kirkland



Michelle LaGana - December 08, 2025 at 07:02 PM



“ Thank you, Mom, for always being my biggest cheerleader

Michelle LaGana - December 08, 2025 at 07:01 PM

BT

“ Carolynette, my heartfelt condolences on the passing of your lovely mom. I pray God's strength, peace and comfort for you, and your entire family during this time.



Bwana Terry - December 08, 2025 at 06:49 PM

CB

“ Singing...I'll always love my momma, she's my favorite girl. My heart was crushed at the hearing of our beloved mother passing. I remember the first day I met her and she told me to call her mom (my heart melted). Her laughter was contagious, her love for you was true and the wisdom she shared will never depart from all that knew her. Dance in glory! Rest in Peace Mom, I love you



Charletta Brooks - December 08, 2025 at 05:41 PM

CW

“ Such a beautiful soul inside and out. Auntie I love you. My prayers are with the family. Praying for strength in the days to come. Rest well beautiful. ☐

Carmelita Hankerson Weddington - December 08, 2025 at 05:07 PM

CW

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**Carmelita Hankerson Weddington** - December 08, 2025 at 05:05 PM

AB

“ *Aldayshia & Chloe Barbour lit a candle in memory of Annie Bell Kirkland*



**Aldayshia & Chloe Barbour** - December 08, 2025 at 04:48 PM

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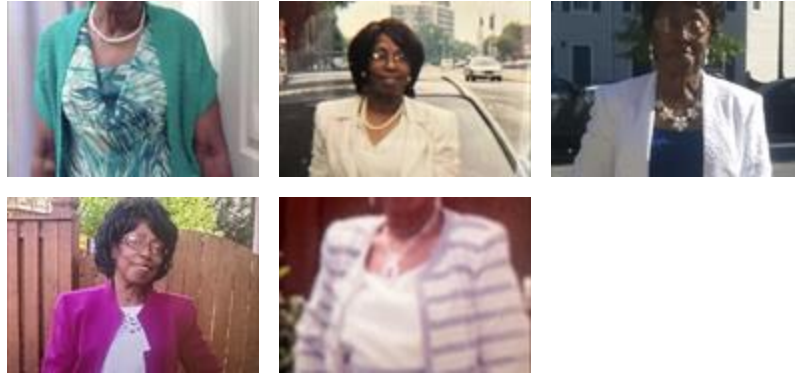
“ *6 files added to the tribute wall*



**sherylkirkland6** - December 08, 2025 at 09:46 AM

SH

“ 16 files added to the tribute wall



sherylkirkland6 - December 08, 2025 at 09:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Annie Bell Kirkland.



December 08, 2025 at 09:12 AM

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“ *Glynis Hauser Palmer (cousin)* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Annie Bell Kirkland.

Glynis Hauser Palmer (cousin) - December 08, 2025 at 09:12 AM