

*Today is the perfect time  
to tell you what you mean to me.  
How I depend on you to love me for who I am  
and believe in me for what I hope to be.  
How I feel loved each time you smile or touch  
my hand and, when I need someone to listen,  
I know you'll understand.  
So today, I celebrate my love for you,  
grateful that we have  
the happiness life gives to just a few.*

*Your Loving Husband*

***Pallbearers***

Homer Lyons III  
Harlan Lyons  
Anthony Hargrove-Lyons  
Rashaad Lyons  
John Shorter  
David Horton  
Brian McBeth  
Brion McBeth

*Family would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support.  
May God Continue to Bless and Keep you all.*

*Celebrating the life of*



*Princetta Judy Griffin-Lyons*

*Sunrise: June 17, 1960*

*Sunset: June 15, 2022*

*June 25, 2022*

Kingdom Baptist Church 301 N. Central Ave. Chicago, IL  
Pastor Marcus T. Clemons, Sr.

# Obituary

*Princetta Judy Griffin-Lyons* was born to James Griffin and Priscilla George on June 17, 1960, in Chicago, IL. She was the youngest of 11 children. As the baby of the family, she affectionally became known as everyone's "Princess".

*Princess* attended Holy Family Academy for elementary school, where she met many lifelong friends. She later attended Lucy Flowers High School and went on to study Psychology at Lewis University, where she became a member of the illustrious Sigma Gamma Rho, Sorority Incorporated. After university, she joined the U.S. National Guard '83 until she was honorably discharged.

For over 30 years, Princess was married to her high-school sweetheart, Homer Lyons Jr. with whom they shared three exceptional children: Homer III, Harlan Malcolm, and Princess Priscilla. She took pride in nourishing her home and raising intelligent, confident, sociable, and successful children.

At the age of 7, she became an aunt and embraced her calling as a caregiver, protector, and teacher, where she nurtured the development of countless children. Exposing children to the world, and sharing her wisdom and encouragement was her purpose and passion that only magnified as she grew older. Her grace and love extended to everyone she knew. She affectionately became "Aunt Princess" to everyone.

*Princess* welcomed loved ones to her home, where she enjoyed entertaining many with her favorite movies, Judge Judy, collectibles, candies, and more. She thoroughly enjoyed gift giving and would easily spend her last to make any of her "kids" smile. Her home became the "go-to" when seeking a delicious home-cooked meal, advice, nursing, spontaneous adventures, and mingling with friends and family, among other things. Her laugh and sense of humor were infectious and kept people captivated. Princess spent countless years traveling with her husband and children around the world and collecting salt and pepper shakers to capture each moment.

*Princess* leaves to cherish her memory to her loving husband, Homer Lyons Jr., her sons Homer III (Jannie) and Harlan, her daughter Princess Priscilla, her three granddaughters Jakayla, Jayla, and Jaliyah Lyons, and her dear puppy Minni; her sisters Priscilla (Leslie) Archer, Jean (Archie) Young, Patricia Rich, Judy Fenner, and brother Jamison (Frances) Griffin and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



# Order of Service

**Processional.....Family & Friends**

**12pm Cap Service**

**Scriptures.....Reverand Ray Williams**  
Old-New Testaments

**Prayer.....Reverand Ray Williams**

**Selections.....Praise Team**  
Like the Dew & Wind Beneath my Wings

**Acknowledgements/Resolutions.....Revlon Jefferson**

**Remarks.....Officiant in Charge**

**Selection.....Praise Team**

**Family & Friends Remarks.....Deacon Homer Lyons**

**Poems.....Granddaughters**

**Obituary.....Revlon Jefferson**

**Eulogy.....Pastor Marcus Clemons**

**Invitation.....Pastor Marcus Clemons**

**Benediction.....Pastor Marcus Clemons**

**Recessional.....Family**

**Postlude.....Organist**



# Our Lady of Princess Academy

## *Everything Mom*

How did you find the energy.  
Mom  
To do all the things you did,  
To be teacher, nurse and counselor  
To me, when I was a kid.  
How did you do it all. Mom.  
Be a chauffeur, cook and friend,  
Yet find time to be a playmate.  
I just can't comprehend.  
I see now it was love, Mom  
That made you come whenever I'd call.  
Your inexhaustible love Mom  
And I thank you for it all.

By Joanna Fuchs

*Love, Fella & Cuddie & Precious*

## *Poem for Grandma*

For all the times  
you gently picked me up,  
When I fell down,  
For all the times  
you tied my shoes  
And tucked me into bed,  
Or needed something  
But put me first instead.  
For everything we shared,  
The dreams, the laughter, and the tears,  
I love you with a Special Love  
That deepens every year. Thank You  
Grandma

*Love, Jakylla & Jayla & Jaliyah*

## *Aunt*

We share so many memories, things  
only we could know. You have added  
laughter to my heart, and love and  
blessings to my soul. You have touched  
my life in many ways, by being the  
wonderful aunt you are. Know you  
are so very dear to my heart, and one  
of my favorite person, by far.

*Love, Jada & Jori & John*

## *My dearest Aunt Princess*

(My second mom)

I became the woman I am because of you  
You always said you must believe in yourself Dru  
You knew what to say to help me get through!  
You always told me how proud you were of me  
And you always seen the best in me even when I  
couldn't see  
We talked, we hugged, we laughed, and we cried  
But what I loved most was having you by me  
and our family side  
So many times, I wanted to give up, but you  
always told me no  
You said always pray and God will show you  
which way to go,  
You left us many memories  
Your love is still our guide, and though we can't  
see you, your always on our side.  
So many tears, so much anger, and so much pain  
But one thing I know for sure is your angel wings  
you definitely will gain.  
Thank you for everything

*Love, Penny*

## *To Our Aunt Princess*

"But I do not want you to be ignorant,  
brethren, concerning those who have  
fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others  
who have no hope. For if we believe  
that Jesus died and rose again, even so God  
will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus."  
1Thessalonians 4 :23

I do believe that Jesus died for our sins  
and I know that there is a God. Being  
selfish, I say, "I'M NOT READY," but  
God says that its time. I will remember  
all of our vacations, I will remember  
her at each and every event. Her heart  
was so full of kindness. There's nothing  
that can replace your Love, your  
concern, your care, and your  
combativeness....You will be deeply missed.

*Love, The Baker's*