



Josephine "Grandma Jo" Norwood

April 9, 1937 - May 15, 2024

Josephine "Grandma Jo" Norwood, age 87 of Painesville Twp., passed away May 15, 2024 at her residence. She was born on April 9, 1937 in Weathersby, MS.

Mom was a surrogate Mother to many. She was a rare woman whose kindness, generosity, graciousness, and compassion drew people toward her. The world is a darker place without her in it. Mom's passing has left a hole in our hearts that can never be filled. She loved the City of Painesville and always bragged about our beautiful town square. She loved working as an STNA for Mentor Homes in Mentor, OH. She leaves behind many great friends; Sandy Gelinke, Jan Snyder, Gabrielle Jennings, Debbie Rango, Rita Graham, and Gaynelle Gordon.

A few weeks before her death Mom said "She couldn't wait to talk to Leon Sr., Johnny, and Michael!"

She is survived by her daughters: Joyce (Ronald) Cosby, Shirley, and Julie; sons: Leon Jr., Leonard Sr. and Richard; grandchildren: Leonard "Lenny" Jr., Christine (Timothy), Jeffrey Sr. (Samantha), Shannon (Scott), Hunter (Taylor), and Walker; great-grandchildren: Zachary, Hali (Matthew Sr.), Adrianna (Jorge), Kaitlynn, Timothy Jr., Anthony, Jeff Jr., Michael, Riley, Tyler, Caleb, and Carter; great-great grandchildren: Madison, Matthew Jr., and Peyton; and

adopted sons: Robert Worrell Sr. (Honey Lee), Phil Jay Speisman, and John Hollis.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Manchin & Mattie Neely and all of her siblings; her ex-husband and best friend Leon Norwood, Sr.; son, Johnny Norwood; grandson, Michael Norwood; great-grandson, Austin Henninger; and son-in-law, Ronald Cosby.

A private graveside service will be held at a later date in Riverside Cemetery, Painesville, OH.

In her memory, contributions may be made to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital,
501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105; or online at www.stjude.org/

Arrangements entrusted to the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Mentor, OH. Offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

385 Riverside Drive
Painesville, OH 44077
(440) 392-3727

Tribute Wall



“ Love Joyce and Jerry purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Josephine "Grandma Jo" Norwood.



Love Joyce and Jerry - May 27, 2024 at 01:32 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Josephine "Grandma Jo" Norwood.



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