



## Laura J. Walker

December 25, 1931 - June 11, 2026

Laura Jean Walker, 94, of Painesville, Ohio was born on December 25, 1931, in Enterprise, Alabama. She transitioned quickly and peacefully into eternal rest on June 11, 2026. Laura moved to Willoughby, Ohio in the mid 1950's along with her parents, siblings, and extended family.

She attended Calvary CME Church in Painesville for many years where she served in various capacities and traveled to many conventions. Later in life, she became a member of Union Community Church in Concord until her health no longer allowed her to attend.

Laura was preceded in death by her parents, Will & Millie Smith; her brothers, Will Smith Jr., James (Bubba) Smith; her sisters, Bedia Mae Gilmore and Annie Will Martin; nephew, Melvin Timley; and niece, Annie Robinson. Also preceding her in death were her nieces, Julie Cunningham, and Denise Smith Warnett; nephews, Robert Gilmore, and James B. Smith; and great-great nephew, Yorry Timley. She was the last Ohio family member of the Alabamians.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her sister-in-law, Louise Smith; niece-in-law Evelyn Timley; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews as well as her caretaker nieces and nephew: Cathy Smith-Hussain, Elisa Smith-Sanchez and Jeffery Smith.

The family will receive friends to celebrate Laura's life from 10-11 a.m. Friday, June 19, 2026, at Holy Grounds Church, 6640 Stratford Rd., Concord Twp., OH 44077.

A funeral service to conclude the gathering will begin at 11 a.m. on Friday at the church.

Interment will be in Riverside Cemetery, in Painesville Township.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to Reserve Care, P.O. Box 72700, Cleveland, OH 44192, donate online at [www.reserve-care.org](http://www.reserve-care.org).

Arrangements entrusted to the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Please offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

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

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

JUN 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Grounds Church  
6640 Stratford Road  
Concord Township, OH 44077

## Funeral Service

JUN 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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