



Kanika A Wilson

July 30, 1976 - April 10, 2026

Kanika Aina Wilson answered her Father's Call on Friday, April 10, 2026 at Lexington Medical Center, West Columbia, SC. Kanika was born on July 30, 1976 in Cleveland, Ohio. She was an only child to Bettie Blocker Owens and the late Albert Leon Wilson. Kanika graduated in 1994 from Larkin High School in Elgin, Illinois, where she was an active student Black History Production, Girl's Basketball, Cross Cultural Committee, Fresh-Soph Tennis Team, Girl's Track and Field, Drama Club, "Share The Dream"-Black History Month Production, Black History Club, Peer Tutor, and Deans' Office Page. She also proudly served on Homecoming Court, and she was an honor student. Following Kanika's High School Graduation, she received numerous acceptance letters from colleges and universities. However, she proudly confirmed her matriculation at Howard University, with a Business Administration Major. She attended Howard University, until her untimely unfortunate illness during her Junior Year. At Howard, she was a member of the Illinois Club and

other organizations.

At the age of 16, while being a devoted member of St. James AME Church in Elgin, Illinois,

Kanika accepted the Lord as her Savior. There, she was actively involved in the Young People's Department (YPD) and sang in the Youth Choir.

Kanika was also a proud Heir-O-Link and made her debut into society as a debutante through

the Links Chicago Chapter Cotillion, the Chicago Chapter of the Links, Incorporated. She was

committed to community outreach and service, and she was always seeking ways to uplift others.

Those who knew Kanika will remember her as a young lady of grace, warmth, and determination.

She was deeply affectionate, endlessly caring, and resilient in the face of life's challenges. Her generous

spirit knew no bounds—she would give freely of herself to anyone in need.

Kanika was a loving

young lady that would literally give you the shirt off her back.

Kanika leaves to cherish her precious memory, her loving devoted mother, Bettie Blocker Owens

and her stepfather, Roger Owens of Columbia, SC; aunts Jannitt Cox, Brenda Blocker, Terry McLeod

(Paul); uncle George Milton Wilson(Cookie); great Aunts Rose Ann Williams and Janie Knight

(Wilkerson); cousins who were like siblings Tondeleo Day (Donnine), Toriano Blocker (LaTeegah),

Alicia Day, and Cecily Nelson; a very special friend Safarrah Lawson; and a host of other relatives

and dear friends.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her brother, Mark

Wilson; her maternal grandparents, James and Mazie Blocker; her paternal grandparents, George and Virginia Wilson; and her aunt, Ann Blocker Burnette.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **19**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia
1200 Fontaine Place
Columbia, SC 29223
(803) 786-6300
palmermemorialchapel@gmail.com
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

LINKS Homegoing Ceremony

APR **19**. 5:30 PM (ET)

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Service

APR **20**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethel AME Church
819 Woodrow Street
Columbia, SC 29205

Interment

APR **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Hillside Memorial Park
2445 Cains Mill Rd
Sumter , SC 29154

Tribute Wall

JW

“ Hi Betty, You have our sincere condolences for the transition of Kanika. She has taken her heavenly home and is at peace with our Lord. May God be your Strength and Strong Tower at this time and the days ahead.
With loving thoughts,
Steve and Jessie Wilson



Jessie Wilson - April 20 at 10:55 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Kanika A Wilson.



April 19 at 01:46 PM

NB

“ Nancy Brevard=Bracey sent a virtual gift in memory of Kanika A Wilson



Nancy Brevard=Bracey - April 19 at 09:17 AM

BC

“ Prayers and condolences to the family.

Bevlin Collier - April 18 at 12:34 AM

JA

“ Jannitt, Brinda, Terri, Alicia, Cicely, Shy purchased the Touching Tribute Spray for the family of Kanika A Wilson.



Jannitt, Brinda, Terri, Alicia, Cicely, Shy - April 17 at 09:45 AM

VM

“ Our heartfelt condolences to you and your family. May God give you peace & strength during this time. Betty, your dedication to her needs didn't go unnoticed. Vickie Moody & Family

VICKIE G MOODY - April 16 at 03:06 PM

TH

“ My sincere condolences and prayers to the family.



Tammy Harrison-Edwards - April 14 at 10:28 PM