



## Obituary

**Died:** Sunday, June 9, 2019

Eva Mae Jefferson (E-Mae), was born May 2, 1949 in Winona Mississippi to L.C. Love and Vera Mae Love-Childs. Eva descended upon Indianapolis, Indiana in 1951. As a true Westside (Lockfield) girl, Eva attended IPS School #4 before graduating from Crispus Attucks High School in 1967.

At a very early age, Eva gave her life to Christ. It wasn't long after that a special gift was noticed. Around age 6, a lady, Mrs. Barnes assisted Eva Mae in her musical journey that would last for a lifetime. While taking piano lessons, a voice was also discovered. God continued to improve her talents. By age 16 Eva was singing, teaching, directing and playing music. This anointing took her to New Liberty Baptist Church, allowing her sing and play with the "Joy Bells", and while still 16 called her to become the Minister of Music at First Freewill Baptist Church where she served for several years. Eva Mae then transitioned to Good Samaritan Baptist Church where she served as the music coordinator for over 50 years. She loved her choir and for years her voice brought tears to congregations and her gift on the piano soothed many of souls.

Eva was employed at Goodman Jewelers for 27 years before retiring in 1993. She was at the time the first and only African-American female diamond setter in the state of Indiana.

On June 8, 1974, God united Eva with Bobby M. Jefferson. This union brought about two children LaTisa and Bobby II (BJ). Often called spoiled by those who loved her, Bobby made sure Eva had everything she ever wanted and needed from her dream cars to owning a home big enough to host and cook. The two, who usually called each other Mom and Dad made sure they never stopped dating and were often seen on the porch laughing and joking.

Eva Mae had a servant's heart. You could always find her in the kitchen or "jacking" around the house. If she was not cooking or on her piano she was watching Gunsmoke or the Golden Girls. Eva Mae adopted every child/adult that walked into her home. Once you met her, you were the newest son or daughter to the family and you then addressed her as "Mom or Momma Jefferson". Her smile was infectious, Eva never had a bad day.

God called Eva Mae home on the evening of June 9, 2019, one day after her 45th wedding anniversary, she was 70 years old. Preceding her in death were both parents L.C. and Vera, sister Donna Love, brother Willie James Love and grandson Jerimiah A. Patterson.

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## Service Summary

### Visitation

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Sat Jun 22, 2019

### Stuart Mortuary Chapel

2201 N. ILLINOIS STREET  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46208

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### Celebration of Life

12:00 PM Sat Jun 22, 2019

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She is survived by her husband Bobby, children: LaTisa, Bobby II, and Ericka Corely, sisters: Lillie Graham, Dorothy Jean Owens and Coleen Ingram, 5 grandsons: Joshua, Bobby III (Trey), twins Isaiah & Jeremiah and Xavier, 5 granddaughters: Erynn, Daryll-Ashleigh, McKenzy, Darian and Paige along with 3 great grandchildren: Aubrey, Ava and Jordyn.