



Lynn Marie Mitchell

February 12, 2026

Lynn Marie Mitchell fought a good fight, finished her race and kept the faith. Lynn transitioned peacefully on February 12, 2026, at the home of her sister and brother-in-law. She was born on February 7, 1950, to the late Ruffin Mitchell Sr. and Rosemary Johnson Mitchell. A woman of deep joy and vibrant spirit, Lynn loved her family fiercely and showed up for them in ways both big and small. Whether it was a holiday gathering, a birthday call or simply sitting and talking for hours, she made the people she loved feel seen and cherished. A proud New Orleanian at heart, she lived for Mardi Gras season and counted down the days each year to Jazz Fest. The Krewe of Muses held a special place in her heart, and she looked forward to receiving her Muses shoe every year, a tradition that brought her immense happiness. She leaves to cherish her memory, her son, Louis Riley, III; her siblings, Ruffin Mitchell, Jr., Frances (Sylvester) Johnson and Talmadge Mitchell (Martha); and her bonus sister, Eva Washington Anderson. She also leaves a host of beloved nieces, nephews and extended family members who adored her and will forever carry her spirit with them. Through life's joys and challenges, Lynn remained faithful, loving and strong. As the Scripture reminds us, "Henceforth there is laid up for her the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to her on that day" (2 Timothy 4:8). Her life was a reminder to celebrate fully, love deeply and never miss a parade. She will be profoundly missed and forever remembered.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the Celebration of Life

at Franklin Avenue Baptist Church, 8282 I-10 Service Road (South), New Orleans, Louisiana 70126 on Friday, February 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. Visitation will begin promptly at 9:00 a.m. until service time. Interment: Restlawn Park Cemetery and Mausoleum, 3540 US-90, Avondale, Louisiana 70094. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to share condolences and sign the guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Restlawn Park

4004 US hwy 90 W.
Avondale, LA 70094

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
8282 I-10 Service Rd. South
New Orleans, LA

Funeral Service

FEB 27. 10:00 AM (CT)

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New Orleans, LA

Tribute Wall



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Lynn Marie Mitchell.*



February 26 at 02:04 PM



“ *Your family is in our thoughts and prayers during this time of sorrow. May God surround you with his peace, comfort you with His presence and strengthen you in the days ahead. We pray that precious memories of Lynn will bring moments of warmth and even sweet smiles when you need them most.*
Sid and Pamela Sidney

Pamela L Sidney - February 26 at 08:34 AM



“ *Dear Mitchell/Riley/Johnson Families and Friends, as you go through this tender season of mourning, also rejoice with the angels in heaven, as your Beloved now sits in the Presence of God. Imagine the joy she is feeling as she looks upon His Face and praises Him! Remember, because Jesus loves you, He is always with you and you will be covered by the Peace of His Presence as your hearts heal.*
Your brothers and sisters in Christ,
Franklin Avenue Baptist Church
Restoration And Care Grief Ministry

Frances Ventress - FABC - February 26 at 01:36 AM

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“ *Take Your Rest, My Friend. You Are Truly Missed.*

Patricia & Ivory Scott



Patricia & Ivory Scott - February 25 at 11:16 AM

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“ *My Deepest Condolences To Lynn’s Entire Family Friends Classmates Earth Has No Sorrow That Heaven Cannot Heal. May Our Lord Bless and Strengthen All During This Time of Grief. It Was A Special Friendship I’ll Always Cherish Since Meeting In High School 1965 Through Adulthood 🙏🏻💔🕊️*

*Sylvia Ann Blue
Baker La*



Sylvia Ann Blue - February 25 at 10:47 AM