



## Desiree McKinney

November 6, 1959 - August 14, 2022

Desiree (Wilson) McKinney was born November 6, 1959, in Washington, DC, to the late Curtis and Pearl Wilson.

Desiree passed away on August 14, 2022, at MedStar Washington Hospital Center in Washington, DC.

She was raised in Washington, DC, and Maryland. She graduated from Calvin Coolidge Senior High School in 1978.

Desiree started working as a Secretary for the Department of Commerce Design and Graphics Division in 1976. After some time, she began taking courses at the U.S. Government Printing Office. Upon completing her courses, she became a Graphic Artist. She retired as the Chief of what is now known as the Mail and Multimedia Division after 43 years of service.

Desiree loved life and lived it to the fullest. It was always a good time when she was involved. She loved traveling with friends and family. What she loved the most was for everyone to come together and have a good time.

Desiree is survived by her Daughters, NeKola Permenter and Brittani McKinney; her Granddaughters Desiree Permenter and Emma Freeland; her Life Partner Thermon Willams; her Sisters Lola Blake and Pearl Bassard; her

Brother Curtis Wilson, Jr. (Miriam); her Nieces, Nephews, other family members, and friends.

COVID-19 safety protocol will be observed at each event, so please remember to bring and wear your masks. Desiree's favorite color was red, and the family has requested that attendees wear red or bright colors in her honor during each event.

If you would like to order flowers for the Visitation and/or the Service, please click on the links below and place your order by the deadline of Wednesday, August 31, 2022, at 5pm.

# Cemetery Details

**St. Paul's Episcopal Church Rock Creek Parish**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

SEP 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Rock Creek Parish  
201 Allison Street NW  
Washington, DC

### Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church Rock Creek Parish  
201 Allison Street NW  
Washington, DC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Desiree McKinney*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *I will always remember Desiree's kind, sweet and inviting spirit and her beautiful bright smile. She was always so very welcoming towards me. My heartfelt condolences to Kola and Brittany and the entire Kinard fam. Praying that He continues to comfort and strengthen you guys. Love, Gidget.*

**Gidget** - September 02, 2022 at 10:28 AM



“ *Gidget lit a candle in memory of Desiree McKinney*



**Gidget** - September 02, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *If you or your grand daughter ever need anything reach out to Linda and she will let me know. Love always Tanya* 💕



**Tanya Adams** - September 01, 2022 at 08:36 PM

MC

“ *Mauryce Johnson, Co-Worker Department of Commerce purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



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**Mauryce Johnson, Co-Worker Department of Commerce -**  
September 01, 2022 at 08:32 PM



“ *I send my deepest condolences to Desiree's family she cherished her daughter and her granddaughter with all her heart and I used to enjoy doing her hair and her granddaughter's hair and her daughter's hair I also enjoyed times when we went out to cabarets with her best friend one of her best friends Linda and I enjoyed her company so much we didn't always agree but she still was a loving and pleasant young lady and I will miss that about her very much rest in peace Desiree , may your soul rest in peace. You will always meant my thoughts and prayers if you ever need anything do not hesitate to let Linda know and she will let me know. 🙏🙏🙏*



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**Tanya Adams -** September 01, 2022 at 08:31 PM



“ *Mrs. Fields With Sympathy Combo Tin was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



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September 01, 2022 at 03:14 PM

TQ

“ *Desi, my friend and coworker, you are surely missed and will always be remembered.*

*Condolences to family*

*Thomas Quarles*

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**Thomas Quarles** - September 01, 2022 at 02:18 PM

TQ

“ *Thomas Quarles purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



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**Thomas Quarles** - September 01, 2022 at 02:11 PM

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“ *De Shantel E. Howard (cousin) lit a candle in memory of Desiree McKinney*



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**De Shantel E. Howard (cousin)** - September 01, 2022 at 12:35 PM

DW

“ *I was blessed to have you as my sister-in-law for 30 years. You will truly missed.*

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**DENISE WILLIAMS** - September 01, 2022 at 10:33 AM

BC

“ *Bennetta Fenwick, Dept of Commerce purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



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**Bennetta Fenwick, Dept of Commerce** - August 31, 2022 at 10:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



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August 31, 2022 at 06:54 PM

TH

“ *Des, you will be truly missed. You came into my life through my brother Therman 30 years ago. Your smile matches your heart. I will cherish my last memories of being with you at the beach and watching you smile for just being able to finally take a vacation. I will see you again and share some laughs. To the family you have our deepest condolences. June and Theresa Watson*



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**Theresa** - August 30, 2022 at 11:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



August 30, 2022 at 10:19 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



August 30, 2022 at 07:47 AM



“ *Carolyn (Parker) Webb purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



**Carolyn (Parker) Webb** - August 29, 2022 at 02:10 PM



“ *Kevin Cofer lit a candle in memory of Desiree McKinney*



**Kevin Cofer** - August 29, 2022 at 01:00 PM

LS

*To Themon and family sorry for the lost of your love one im praying for the family - co worker Themon*

**Lavette Stokes** - August 31, 2022 at 07:17 PM

FF

“ *From Dept of Commerce (MMD) family. purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



**From Dept of Commerce (MMD) family.** - August 29, 2022 at 12:55 PM



“ *Care and Compassion Spray was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



August 29, 2022 at 12:14 PM



“ *Majestic Heart was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



August 29, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ *A Life Loved Casket Spray was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.*



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August 29, 2022 at 12:08 PM



“ *We send our condolences to the Family. We will always hold dear in our hearts Desiree encouraging words through the years. She was a true person of love and kindness, and we will miss her. Now, REST on our dear cousin, you have earned your ANGEL WINGS!  
Love James & Yvette*



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**Yvette E Kinard** - August 29, 2022 at 10:38 AM



“ *Pearl my sincere sympathy for the loss of your sister, hope fond memories of her life bring peace to all of you.*

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**Bessie Crosson** - August 29, 2022 at 09:28 AM



“ *My condolences to Kinard Family Reunion DC Chapter. Sending healing prayers and comforting hugs.  
Cousin Kemo Logan*



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**Kemo Logan** - August 28, 2022 at 09:26 AM

CB

“ I met Desi through a girlfriend of ours at a previous job. When I came to Commerce I knew no one but when I ran into Desi in the building one day I didn't feel alone anymore. I was glad to see a familiar face.

*Desi always made you laugh and would tell you just how she felt. She was kind, caring. Family and friends meant a lot to her.*

*My last conversation with Desi she let me know that she was not afraid of dying. If the Lord called her she would be ready.*

*So don't look at her as being dead but alive in spirit cause that will be with you always. You will think of what she did or what she said and it will bring a smile to your face or make you laugh.*

*Love you and miss you  
Carolyn Brisbane*

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**Carolyn Brisbane** - August 27, 2022 at 03:48 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.



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August 26, 2022 at 12:36 PM

LM

“ Hey Des, you may be gone, but you will never be forgotten. I will always treasure those special moments we share playing softball and working together at DOC. May God grant you grace and mercy on your journey home and bless your family with the peace, love and comfort that only he can provide.  
*Lee and Blanche McLean*

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**Lee McLean** - August 26, 2022 at 12:24 PM

BC

“ Bryan and I will cherish the beautiful memories that we shared with Desi and Thurman. From going on ski trips back in the day and playing bid whist. Most especially we will miss her delicious pot pie. So thankful that she shared the recipe with us! Our thoughts and prayers are with Desi's daughters and grandchildren and her beloved Thurman and all who loved her. May God comfort you during this time of sorrow. Love, Bryan and Laura

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**Bryan Chase** - August 26, 2022 at 10:18 AM

TM

“ Condolences to the Family. Rest in heavenly peace.



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**Tina Marshall** - August 25, 2022 at 08:24 PM

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“ Milton 2404612387 purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Desiree McKinney.



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Milton 2404612387 - August 25, 2022 at 03:39 PM



“ Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.



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August 25, 2022 at 10:02 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.



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August 25, 2022 at 09:58 AM

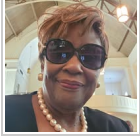


“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.



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August 25, 2022 at 09:55 AM



“ *Maxine Dixon Fenwick lit a candle in memory of Desiree McKinney*



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**Maxine Dixon Fenwick** - August 24, 2022 at 07:21 PM



“ *Wow Desi to hear of your passing left me in total disbelief. I know we all have an expiration date but sometimes it really catches us off guard. I pray u were able to enjoy some of your retirement and I pray for strength and comfort to your family during this their hour of bereavement. God speed until we meet again.*



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**Juan Logan** - August 24, 2022 at 04:34 PM



“ *LaQuida Jackson lit a candle in memory of Desiree McKinney*



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**LaQuida Jackson** - August 24, 2022 at 03:58 PM



“ *My deepest condolences. I worked with Desiree for many years and she was always such a strong and supporting person. My thoughts are with your family.*

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**James Fay** - August 24, 2022 at 01:16 PM

TJ

“ Terry L Jackson lit a candle in memory of Desiree McKinney



Terry L Jackson - August 24, 2022 at 08:15 AM

LT

“ Wow, Dez was my girl, my sis and my friend for over 30 years. We laughed, cried and partied together and I will always have those memories and pics to reflect the good and bad times. She fought a fight like no other and I cannot believe I don't have her around anymore to help guide and advise me. I wake up and am like I gotta call Dez and then reality sets in. I will never forget her and how we always told each other hanging up I Love You. To her family and my extended family, I am thankful that I was blessed to know her and that you all shared her with me. Stay strong, my love to you all.

Linda Turner - August 23, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Desiree McKinney.



August 23, 2022 at 07:16 PM



“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

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**Marshall-March Funeral Homes** - August 22, 2022 at 12:51 PM