



Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox

May 29, 1947 - May 29, 2025

Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox answered her call to Glory on May 29, 2025, while celebrating her 78th birthday with family and friends in the home of her sister, Rev. Pastor Marilyn Maddox-Bell.

Polly was born on May 29, 1947, in Tampa Florida, to the late Robert H. Sr. and Lassie Mae Maddox. She joined her sisters, Deborah, Antoinette, and Cynthia, and her brothers, Rudolph, and Wayde Jerome, in the Glory of Eternal Joy in Heaven! She left behind sweet, precious, memories of her life with sisters, Mae Lois, Margaret, and Joelle (Tacoma, WA), Gloria, Pamela, Marilyn, and Darlene (Utica, NY); brothers, Robert/Deborah (Odessa, FL.), and Anthony (Tacoma, WA); and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, friends, and her Church Family whom she did not cease to pray for.

As a young child Polly spent several years in Broad Acres Hospital until she was well enough to re-join the family. She was educated in the public education system, attending Potter, Kernan, and graduating from Utica Free Academy.

The majority of her working career was as a Seamstress at Joseph and Feiss. Her artistic Seamstress gift shined through the meticulous, expensive, good-looking men suits that she made.

Those of us who knew Polly understood that she lived a peaceful, quiet life, and we also understood that her yea was yea, and her nay was nay; PERIOD!

Whatever way it went; that was all she had to say about it! And if by chance one did not like it, she would respond: "Too bad, too sad!" She was authentically as real as they come.

Polly was an avid reader with a Webster Dictionary about six or seven inches thick, which she read and studied. She was a master at spelling, and she could do math like she was a human calculator! She loved game shows, especially Jeopardy. She was smart enough to be a contestant; and smart enough to win! She also favored True Crime Dramas, and Court TV. While living with Pastor Bell, she grew to immensely enjoy Westerns, especially Gunsmoke, starring James Arness as Marshall Matt Dillon (LOL). She also enjoyed having a good plate of home cooked food at all times, with a hefty slice of Baptist pound cake for dessert, or a good helping of Pastor Bell's chocolate truffle.

She was a quick thinker, and cleverly witty. She could make you laugh out loud with her cutting-edge humor. She was like a breath of fresh air, with a loving heart, and an exquisite smile that stood out as a beacon of compassion. We will keep the precious memories of her brief, beautiful time with us, alive in our hearts, and minds forever!

Our Beloved "Sweet Polly" loved the Lord with all her heart, soul, mind, and strength; she embraced Jesus Christ as her Lord and Risen Savior; and she followed in the path of Righteousness by the Power of the Holy Spirit.

We are greatly comforted knowing the Word of God is True! "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord!" We are also greatly comforted knowing that "Sweet Polly Wally", our Dearly Beloved Sister, is in the

presence of God, and there she shall remain until we meet her again in that Great Getting up Morning, over in the Sweet, By-and-By!

The Maddox Family extends our deepest, heartfelt gratitude to all of you who have graciously, and generously given of your hearts to comfort us during our sorrowful, and joyful season of transition by the absence of our Beloved. May God's richest Blessings remain with you always! We Love You!

Callers may bid their farewell to Polly on Monday, June 9, 2025, from 11:00 am until 12:00 pm at St. Paul's Baptist Church, 219 Leah St. Polly's Home Going Service and Celebration of Life will be held at 12:00 pm at the church upon the conclusion of visitation. Those unable to attend physically may be present virtually at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83180744153>. Interment will take place in Forest Hill Cemetery.

This tribute was lovingly written by Polly's heartbroken family; yet we are greatly consoled by the Word of God that will not return to Him void; "The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart!" (Psalm 34:8)

Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Cemetery Details

Forest Hill Cemetery

2201 Oneida Street
Utica, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Baptist Church
219 Leah Street
Utica, NY

Home Going Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Garden Accent Stone - "If love could have saved you" was purchased for the family of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox.



June 13, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox.

June 13, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ Lonnie Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox



Lonnie Brown - June 08, 2025 at 03:53 PM



“ Debbie, Charles, Trina and Tiffany purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox.



Debbie, Charles, Trina and Tiffany - June 07, 2025 at 04:13 PM

DT

“ *Debbie, Charles, Trina and Tiffany planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox.*

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DB

“ *Denise Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox*



Denise Brown - June 07, 2025 at 03:59 PM

SB

“ *Susan Greene Bynum lit a candle in memory of Ms. Pauline "Polly" Maddox*



Susan Greene Bynum - June 06, 2025 at 10:03 PM

SF

“ *I remember Pauline growing up so many years ago. My sincere condolences to the Maddox family, Rest in Peace. The Saunders family*

Saunders family - June 06, 2025 at 06:51 PM

GD

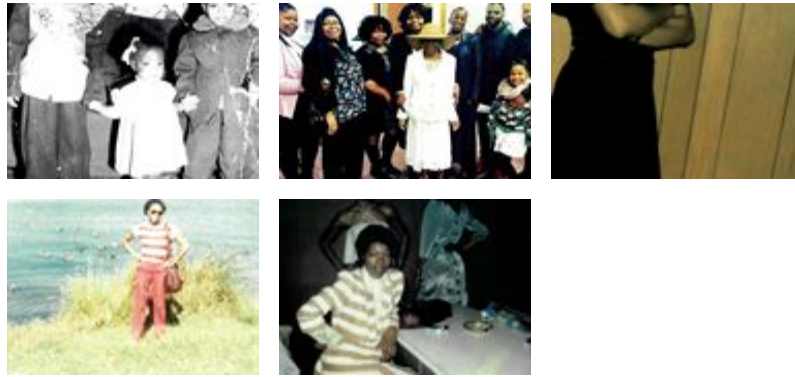
“ *My Deepest Sympathy to the Family, sending love and prayers.*



Grace V DeCastro - June 06, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ *81 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - June 05, 2025 at 06:50 PM

VR

“ *Our deepest condolences to the Maddox family. Sending our love and prayers. The Rucker/Goldwire family*



Vanessa Rucker - June 04, 2025 at 06:43 PM

LT

“ *Sending my condolence and prayers 🙏 to the family look to the hills which cometh your strength*

Leola Turner/Jones - June 03, 2025 at 08:58 PM

HP

“ *My condolences and deepest sympathies to the Maddox family. Peace and comfort be unto all of you.*

Hazel Pugh - June 03, 2025 at 07:24 AM

RD

“ *Pauline and I worked together and spent many evenings talking and sharing ideas . Great sense of humor and all around nice person*

Renee Ruzga Vohra and Jaz Davis - June 01, 2025 at 11:12 PM

SM

“ *Sincerest condolences to Pauline's family. Although I have not seen her in many years as time would have it, I knew Pauline growing up while we were just youngsters. May God comfort her family and those around her.*



Shirl Crawford Myers - June 01, 2025 at 08:37 PM

EH

Sorry for your loss you have my deepest condolences Ezel Hawkins and family

Ezel Hawkins - June 04, 2025 at 11:05 AM