



Patience Lee Tillman

February 14, 1941 - March 21, 2025

With heavy hearts yet grateful spirits, we celebrate the beautiful life of Patience Lee Nelson Tillman, who entered this world on February 14, 1941, a day befitting her name and the love she so freely gave. On March 21, 2025, she peacefully transitioned from this life to her eternal home, leaving behind a legacy of faith, love, and unwavering strength.

Patience was a devoted mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend. She was preceded in death by her beloved parents, Pattie Harris and Emmett Nelson, and her cherished daughter, Diane Stokes. Though we mourn her passing, we find comfort in knowing she is reunited with them in glory.

She leaves behind a family who will forever treasure her memory: her brother, James Turner, her loving children Gloria Hales (Ronald), Lorraine Stevens (Roosevelt Jr.), Allison Tillman and William Tillman (Lisa); eight adored grandchildren; seven precious great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and extended relatives. Each of them carries a piece of her heart and wisdom, a testament to the deep love she had for her family.

Patience's life was one of purpose and devotion. She gave her life to Christ as a child, walking in faith every day thereafter. She loved the Lord with all her heart, and her faith was the foundation upon which she built a life filled with kindness, generosity, and grace.

A woman of adventure and joy, she found delight in traveling and making memories that would last a lifetime. But no matter where her journeys took her, her greatest joy was always found in the presence of her family.

To know Patience was to know love, patience, and grace. Her gentle spirit, warm smile, and unwavering faith will remain with us always. Though she is no longer by our side, her prayers will forever keep us, and her spirit will live on in the hearts of those she touched.

We will honor her life, her legacy, and the unshakable faith that carried her through all seasons. Rest well, dear Patience, in the arms of the Lord. You are home.

Visitation will be Tuesday, April 1, 2025 from 10am - 12 noon at A.D. Porter & Sons-Southeast, 4501 Bardstown Rd. with the funeral services to follow at 12 noon.

Burial will be in Petersburg-Newburg Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Petersburg-Newburg Cemetery

P.O. Box 34234
Louisville, KY 40232

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

A. D. Porter and Sons Funeral Home - Southeast
4501 Bardstown Road
Louisville, KY 40218
(502) 491-7885
a.d.portersoutheast@gmail.com
<https://adporters.com/>

Celebration of Life

APR 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JT

“ Auntie you meant the world to me you always showed me love and I thank God for you plus you where my auntie and cousin I will always remember you and all the great times we had love you now that you have gotten your wings RIH..

Jerome Curtis Tillman - April 01, 2025 at 12:09 PM

SC

“ Sharon Carnes purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Patience Lee Tillman.



Sharon Carnes - March 31, 2025 at 09:29 AM

DF

“ David Tillman & Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Patience Lee Tillman.



David Tillman & Family - March 31, 2025 at 07:15 AM

DF

“ David Tillman & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patience Lee Tillman.

David Tillman & Family - March 31, 2025 at 07:15 AM

GF

“ Grimes family purchased the Simply Elegant Spa
thiphyllum for the family of Patience Lee Tillman.



Grimes family - March 30, 2025 at 01:30 PM

YF

“ Your 6th grade Farnsley Family purchased the Cr
ystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Patience
Lee Tillman.



Your 6th grade Farnsley Family - March 30, 2025 at 08:05 AM

YF

“ Your 6th grade Farnsley Family planted a Memorial Tree in
honor of Patience Lee Tillman.

Your 6th grade Farnsley Family - March 30, 2025 at 08:05 AM

MC

“ As Believers, we know God does not make mistakes!
God saw your dear wife, Mother, Grandmother, neighbor, friend to
many, served and fulfilled God’s work. God said, “Come to me my
dear and faithful servant for your good deeds sowed on Earth.”
Chicago Family: Mary Lee, Pam, & Dannie

Mrs. Pamela Cox - March 27, 2025 at 05:00 PM

RS

“ My deepest condolences to the family. The Tillman's were my sister's next door neighbors in the 1970's. I believe I saw her son, William, at my nephew's service just a few weeks ago.

Rosetta Shelby-Calvin, DMD Little Rock, Arkansas

rosetta Marie Shelby-Calvin - March 25, 2025 at 01:47 PM

BT

“ To my family know that earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal. Aunt Patience was loved and will be missed by so many. She can take her rest knowing that she is in the arms of our Heavenly Father. God bless and keep you all safe in his loving arms. Love you all much.

Love Brenda

Brenda Tillman - March 25, 2025 at 09:42 AM



DW

“ Douglas Woodson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Patience Lee Tillman.



Douglas Woodson - March 24, 2025 at 02:57 PM