



GRACE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH

August 27, 2017

2:30 p.m.

***Celebration of Life
For
Dolena Westergard
1953-2017***



Prelude Hymns of Faith Michael Manes

Words of Welcome Rev. Judith Reedy

Call to Celebrate

We gather together to celebrate a life that has touched so many others. Although we mourn and grieve, we do so in memory of her abundant love. We remember Dolena as a woman full of life. We remember her as a woman of many talents, wondrous accomplishments and of many stories. We gather today to share these stories.

We remember you.

She was kind and caring, full of empathy and love. She had a brilliant mind, an infectious sense of humor and a heart full of love. She was a lover of music, words and stories. She loved Scotland, a fine cold glass of iced tea and a relaxed evening immersed in a new book.

We miss you.

She was a civil servant, a defender of Dallas County. She was called to help those around her. She was a role model, a teacher and an inspiration to all of us, a reminder of the good in the world. She was a beautiful daughter, a beloved sister and a mother to so many.

We love you.

She lives on in the countless lives she touched, through the friendships she had and the children she taught. She lives on in our hearts, our memories and our actions.

We honor you, and we celebrate your life.

“Morning Has Broken” UMH 145 Congregation

Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them springing fresh from the Word.

Sweet the rain’s new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dew fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play!
Praise with elation, praise every morning, God’s recreation of the new day!

Anthem “Grace” *arr. Mark Hayes*
Grace United Methodist Church Choir
Michael Manes - Directing
Andy Packard - Piano

Scripture Matthew 19:13-14 Dolena’s Children

Testimony and Prayer Rev. Chuck Cox

Anthem “Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace” *arr. Mary MacDonald*
Grace UMC Choir

Remembrances Jean Ntakabunimvo, Nunda Kalondji, Amer Deng, Mrs. Noel

A Song from Africa Safali Choir

Scripture Matthew 11:28-30 Dolena’s Children

Celebration of Life Rev. Judith Reedy

Benediction

Postlude “A Mighty Fortress” *Johann Walther*

**All are invited to attend the reception downstairs in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. Dolena’s life passion was helping to provide children with educational opportunities. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the scholarship fund in Dolena’s name. Checks can be made out to Grace UMC with “Dolena’s Scholars” written on the memo line.