



## Tera Jeanine Sullivan

January 8, 1976 - October 20, 2025

Tera Jeanine Sullivan of Lexington, Ky was born January 8<sup>th</sup>, 1976 to the late Dr. Nathan R.

Sullivan and Irma J. Waye-Sullivan. She was called to her eternal rest on Monday, October

20<sup>th</sup> at the age of 49 following a long and courageous battle with breast cancer.

She confessed her hope in Christ at an early age, becoming a member of New Beginning

Church of God in Christ (C.O.G.I.C.), Lexington, KY, where she served in various capacities,

including assistant Pastor's Aide, Choir member, Hospitality worker, and Adjutant. Prior to

giving her life to Jesus, she was a member of a local "secular" dance troupe.

Once saved,

she used her love of dance to spearhead an "Interpretive Praise Dance" team with the youth

in the church. She had a positive impact on the youth; she loved them, and they loved her.

She also previously modeled with a local modeling group: "Uniqueness Unlimited". Tera

loved fashion and loved coordinating "attention grabbing" outfits. She'd put these together

along with matching accessories and display them on a mannequin whenever the church hosted garage sale fund-raisers; this, of course, always boosted sales! Tera devoted 22 years of her life serving the families of Fayette County, leaving behind a legacy of compassion, strength, and unwavering care. As a licensed social worker, she was a professional advocate, a voice for those who needed to be heard, and a steady source of hope for parents, guardians, and children navigating difficult times. She was a valued Parent and Guardian Empowerment team member and an irreplaceable asset to Lexington-Fayette County Government. Her work was more than a career; it was a calling. Whether comforting a child or mentoring a fellow team member, Tera led with a servant's heart and a quiet strength that inspired everyone around her. In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her sister, Tonya Michelle Sullivan. She leaves to cherish her memory, two sons and a daughter-in-love: Steven Raheem Berry (Rachel) and Seth Frye; a grandson: Rome Berry; fiancé and caregiver: Joey Truax and two bonus daughters: Destinie Graves & Nina Khadijah all of Lexington, KY; six aunts: Lula Waye of Hazard, KY, Laura Byrd of Melbourne, Fl., Phyllis Sullivan and Shirley Sullivan-Carter (Newland) of Lexington, KY; Rachel Sullivan-Thomas of Sturgis, KY and Elizabeth Sullivan-Sabir (Ramadan) of Cleveland, OH. Two uncles: Phillip Sullivan

(Pam) of

Morganfield, KY and Walter Sullivan of Henderson, KY; a very special

sister/cousin: Gloria

Byrd-Gardner, assistant caregiver; and her very special friend since childhood:

Kim Byars, as

well as a host of other cousins, co-workers, and friends. We thank God for  
blessing us to

have had Tera in our lives. She will truly be missed by all that knew her, but

her memory will

live on in our hearts.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Memory Gardens

Paris, KY

# Previous Events

## Church Service

OCT **31** (ET)

New Beginnings Church Of God In Christ  
845 Bryan Avenue  
Lexington, KY 40505

*Visitation 10:00 am until 12:00 pm Friday October 31, 2025 at New Beginnings Church Of God In Christ*

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Tish Williams lit a candle in memory of Tera Jeanine Sullivan*



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**Tish Williams** - March 05 at 01:56 PM

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“ *I met Tera while working at LFUCG. She was always so kind and had a beautiful spirit. You could tell she loved and cared for others and most importantly, you could tell she was a woman of the Most High God, Yahweh. She will be greatly missed! Praying for comfort, peace, and strength for the family of Ms. Terra Sullivan.*

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**Sylvia M. LaRue** - October 31, 2025 at 01:37 PM