

# ORDER OF SERVICE

Worship Leader/Officiant: ..... Elder Renee Strong

Invocation/Prayer ..... Pastor Kali Cofield

Scripture Readings ..... Pastor Tyrone Callahan

Old Testament ..... Psalms 116:15 AMP

New Testament ..... John 11:25-26 AMP

Psalmist ..... Ms. Joan Blue

Prayer of Comfort ..... Pastor Tyrone Callahan

Reading of Obituary ..... Mrs. Deneen Callahan

Tribute Poem from family ..... Ms. Mildred McKenzie

Expressions of loves from friends  
(2 minutes or less please)

Worship Medley ..... Congregation

Eulogy ..... Elder Renee Strong

Invitation to Christ

## Interment

Oak Lawn Cemetery

427 Cummins Highway, Roslindale, MA

### My Sister, My Friend

*As little girls we were always together  
Sisters and friends, never fair weather  
Just us two, we had no brothers  
Through ups and downs we were each other's cover  
As women we were still two peas in one pod  
Intertwined as twins under the watchful eye of God  
The loss of our parents brought us closer together  
Depending on each other, true partners forever  
Until one day our tie was broken  
A message came from Heaven with no words spoken  
It was time for my sister to make her ascent  
As sad as it made me, I knew what it meant  
I struggled alone, a piece of me gone  
But in time I knew that I too would move on  
The summons was served, it is now my turn  
To rise up and accept the wings I have earned  
I'm on my way to become one again  
With my loving twin sister, truly my best friend*

### Repass

*Home of Pastor Tyrone & Deneen Callahan  
20 May Street, Brockton, MA*

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### Professional Services Entrusted To

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IN LOVING  
MEMORY



SUNRISE: JANUARY 21, 1957 • SUNSET: JULY 14, 2021

SATURDAY, JULY 31, 2021

Viewing: 10AM • Homegoing Service: 11AM

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**T**hayer Williams, the youngest half of a pair of twin sisters, was born on January 21, 1957 in White Plains, New York. She was the daughter of the late Harold Williams and Lucille Williams.

Thayer and her twin sister Gayle grew up in White Plains, New York. The identical twins were positive and always full of laughter during the many family gatherings.

Thayer was educated in the White Plains school district up until she graduated from high school. Once she was accepted at Northeastern University in Boston, MA, the family moved to Cambridge MA just outside of Boston to be close to the college campus where both twin sisters attended. Thayer graduated with honors from Northeastern University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

Thayer was vivacious, making friends easily and drawing people in with her infectious laugh. She had a big heart, always displaying compassion for others, especially when it came to her twin sister Gayle who she ALWAYS looked after.

After graduation, Thayer moved back home to live with her parents and her sister Gayle. Thayer got a job working at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) where she worked for many years. After the passing of both parents, Thayer and Gayle continued living together and supporting each other. At some point, Thayer left the nest egg and moved in with a friend to get the experience of being a more independent woman.

Later in years Thayer reunited with her sister Gayle, living together once again as Gayle began to experience health issues. Thayer wanted to be close so that she could look after her sister.

Thayer was a member with her sister and parents at Union Baptist Church in Cambridge MA in the 80's to 1993, under the Pastorate of Reverend Dr. Melvin G. Brown where she joyously sang in the choir.

She then became a member of International Family church formally Faith Fellowship Ministries of New England under the Pastorate of Pastors Jonathan and Verna Del Turco in 1993.

Thayer FAITHFULLY served in many capacities at IFC with joy for more than 20 years where she was a major part of street Outreach. Thayer served in the soup kitchen and loved to hit the streets with others. She helped deliver groceries to families in need in Malden MA as well as teaching Bible study in the Malden senior housing. Thayer also served in children's church ministry at the end as the onset of dementia began to manifest, she had to eventually stop serving.

Thayer became a member of The Tabernacle of Praise in Randolph, MA in 2015 under the Pastorate of Pastor's Monterial and Stella Bynoe where she was very popular among the congregation. During Praise & Worship it did not matter where Thayer was seated, she would make her way to the isle to get her Praise and dance on even at times running around the church with hands lifted up Praising while singing loudly in her tenor voice!

Both sisters were sports enthusiasts, but Thayer was a die-hard New England Patriots fan. Each time there was a football game on TV and the Patriots were playing, you could see Thayer totally engaged, decked out in her Patriots gear. She would be hyping up everyone around her as well whether they liked it or not. Thayer even won first prize gift at her church, the Tabernacle of Praise as having the most radical Patriot's gear on.

Thayer passed away in Season's Hospice care at the Blue Hills Alzheimer's facility in Stoughton, MA after a 7 year long battle with dementia where both she and her twin sister Gayle shared their final room together over the past 6 years.

Thayer's legacy of her love for JESUS, family, laughter, and dancing will be cherished by her extended family, her church friends, and the Blue Hill's Alzheimer's community in Stoughton, MA. Outside of her immediate family, some extended family members and a handful of friends, the church was another family and home to Thayer.



ALWAYS IN OUR HEARTS