



## Frankie Franklin-Foxx

March 15, 1955 - December 13, 2023

Frankie Franklin-Foxx, (born Waverlynn Franklin), 68, of Chicago's North Side, passed away peacefully December 13, 2023 at St. Francis Hospital in Evanston.

Born at Cook County Hospital, Frankie graduated from South Shore High School and worked a variety of jobs over the years including, switchboard operator at Wieboldt's Department Store, the Drake Hotel, and Combined Insurance (now AON Corp) and then later as a Medical Technician at UIC Department of Psychiatry College of Medicine. Frankie earned an Associate's Degree from Truman College and studied Psychology through the DePaul-Truman Bridge Program.

She was deeply involved with the Chicago Women's AIDS Project as a client and a peer counselor who also sat on the Board of Directors. Frankie worked at "The Blue House", advocating for women and children with AIDS promoting outreach, education, and prevention. Frankie has a panel on the AIDS Quilt. She was interviewed by Oprah Winfrey and Dan Rather as the longest-surviving woman with AIDS.

She was well-known and dearly loved by her peers. She will be remembered as a very strong and outgoing character-- a feisty fighter!

Mother of the late Holly Marie Franklin, Jolynn Tiffon Franklin, and one other

daughter.

Very proud grandmother “FuFu” of Joshua Sterling Franklin, Jaron Uriel Yehudah, Sr., Atraue “Tre” Franklin, Drace “D.J.” Talley, Lord-Damien Talley, Jolynn Tena Marie Franklin, Jori Brion Franklin, London Franklin, Holly Harrison, Stathis Franklin, Waver Lear, Business Franklin, Spring Franklin-Stitch, and three others. Great-grandmother of sixteen.

Dear sister of Sheron (Clarence) Harris, Willie (Carmen Phillips) Franklin, Jr., and Lionel Ellis. Former spouse and dear friend of “Papa” Tim O’Brien; best friend of Brenda Crump, Gwen Talley, Arthur Harris, Mario McKenzie, Steve Scheller, Lea Scott, and the Nance and Adams families.

Also preceded in death by parents Willa Bell Garrett Franklin and Willie Franklin, Sr., and siblings Reginald King Mason, Holly Franklin, Ruby Franklin and the late infant Bernadette.

Private family service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Chicago Women’s AIDS Project, [www.cwapchicago.org](http://www.cwapchicago.org).

Arrangements by Inclusive Funeral Care, 773-370-2959 or [www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com](http://www.InclusiveFuneralCare.com).

# Tribute Wall

JO

“ 6 months today. I sure miss you Mom! Wish I knew then what I know now. Life can be so funny and so cruel. Thinking of you Momma ☹️❤️

JoJo - July 13, 2024 at 08:45 AM

JO

“ JoJo lit a candle in memory of Frankie Franklin-Foxx



JoJo - July 13, 2024 at 08:42 AM

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“ This don't get no easier. I miss you daily Fu

Lord-Damien - April 22, 2024 at 01:29 PM

GT

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gwen Talley - January 13, 2024 at 03:08 PM

GT

*My Dear Friend and Sister--I am and have been bereft of words since I heard of your transition from this life to the next, so I have been unable to post anything here. It's been a month to the day now, and I'm trying...Don't judge me! It's the best I can do!*

*Millions--no perhaps trillions of words have passed between us in a lifetime...and I know you can't imagine me not having the words to express what I am feeling now that you're no longer on this plain. I think the hardest thing for me is knowing that you left this life on the very day that I received a new lease on life. I know you were as concerned about my medical treatment as I was about yours. Now--I am free of disease, and so are you! In the best way possible though, because you are also free of the constraints of this earth and ALL the pain you endured in your life. FLY FREE, MY SISTER! I LOVE YOU MORE THAN MY LUGGAGE!!! LOL -- GODSPEED!*

**Gwen Talley** - January 13, 2024 at 08:21 PM

JO

*Thank you for sharing this picture and some words to my mom ❤️  
You were indeed her bestie Auntie.*

**JoJo** - February 24, 2024 at 03:08 PM

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“ I will always love you. Y Heaven Bound,  
Empress Sista (Waverlynn)Mrs. Frankie  
Franklin Fox



**Empress Catrina M. Green-Shearer (Sista)** - January 05, 2024 at 03:17 PM

LO

“Hey ugly, it's yo ugly grandma.” 😭 To hear her voice was to know you were loved. She was bigger than the body she graced. She will be missed but never forgotten. Rest well my ugly angel 😊🙏 I love you

**Lord-Damien** - December 19, 2023 at 10:00 PM

JA

“ My (mama) Frankie and my sister Holly on Hollys 19th birthday. They had a special kind of love for one another. My hope is that they are both together in spirit reunited joyful and peaceful.



JoJo again - December 19, 2023 at 08:43 PM

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Empress Catrina M. Green-Shearer (Sista) - January 05, 2024 at 03:19 PM

JO

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JoJo - December 19, 2023 at 08:33 PM

LS

May Love to the entire family, help heal each of you in turn.

Leah Scott - December 26, 2023 at 02:03 PM

JO

6 months today. I sure miss you Mom, sure wish I knew then what I know now. Life is so funny and can be quite cruel. Thinking of Momma  
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JoJo - July 13, 2024 at 08:41 AM