



Emily Holloway Walker

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Emily Holloway Walker, 81, died July 25, 2023 surrounded by family at Baptist Reynolds Hospice House in Collierville, TN.

Emily was born in Memphis on February 27, 1942 to the late Earl Thompson and Emily Lena How Holloway. She grew up in Midtown Memphis with her parents, younger brother Tom, and Uncle John. Some of her favorite childhood memories were on Wahpeton Hill and the Spring River in Hardy, Arkansas, where she gained a lifelong love of nature and adventure.

Always a trailblazer, Emily graduated from Hutchison School, Rhodes College, and Emory Business School, where she was the second woman to earn an MBA. She had a brilliant mind with a particular proclivity for math and music. A creative and fearless problem solver, she never shied away from a good challenge.

After working at Malone & Hyde, she took an “extended” maternity leave to assume the role that she cherished the most - that of wife and mother.

To know Emily was to be loved by her. She had a smile that was infectious and a kind and generous spirit that was evident to everyone in her life. She shared her time and skills generously - whether volunteering at the Woman’s Exchange, working with her P.E.O. Sisterhood, or helping friends and family. To Emily, everyone was a friend, and she was quick to snap into action whenever she saw a need.

Emily loved music and art; she loved nature and the outdoors; she loved travel and adventure; but, most of all, she loved her family and friends. She will be dearly and forever missed.

She is survived by her beloved husband of 46 years, John Robert “Bob” Walker, III; her brother, Earl Thompson “Tom” Holloway, Jr. (Fran Greeson); children, John Robert Walker, IV (Anna) and Emily Walker Koelsch (Joe); grandchildren, Lena Walker Koelsch, Lewis Joseph Koelsch, Caroline Parris Walker, and John Robert “Jack” Walker, V; sister-in-law, Mary Edith Walker; and brother-in-



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law, William Martin Holloway (Tommy Carroll). Emily was preceded in death by her parents, Earl Thompson and Emily Lena How Holloway; uncle, John Hopkins How; granddaughters, Grace Thompson Walker and Catherine Parris Walker; and brother-in-law, George Lee Walker.

Emily's family thanks Adell Martin for her extraordinary care, love, and support for Emily and all of the family throughout her ten-year illness.

A visitation will take place Friday, July 28th at Memorial Park Funeral Home from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The funeral service will be at St. James Anglican Church on Saturday, July 29th at 11:00 a.m. with burial following at Forest Hill Cemetery Midtown.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorials be made to the Church Health Center, Moffitt Cancer Center, or an organization of choice.




Events


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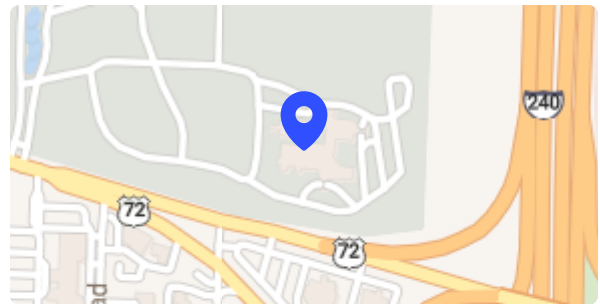
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Visitation

 **Friday**, July 28, 2023


 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM cst


 **Memorial Park Funeral Home-Riverside Chapel**
5668 Poplar Avenue, Memphis TN 38119

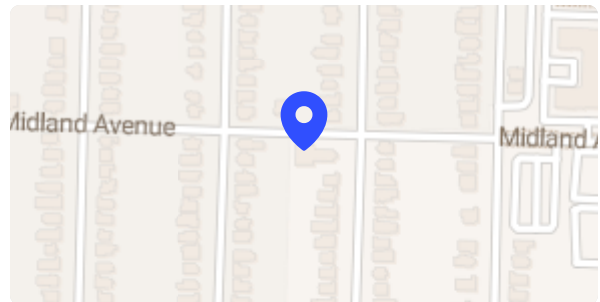


Funeral Service


 **Saturday**, July 29, 2023

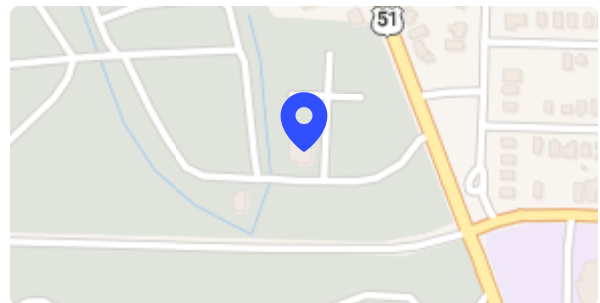
 11:00 AM cst

 **St. James Anglican**
461 South Prescott Street, Memphis, Tn 38111



Cemetery Details

 **Forest Hill Midtown Cemetery**
1661 S. Elvis Presley, Memphis TN 38106





Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Walker family.

July 28 at 8:13 AM



Love, Barry & Faye, Jc, Angela & Jacob planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Emily.

July 27 at 12:20 PM



Love, Barry & Faye, Jc, Angela & Jacob sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Walker family.

July 27 at 12:20 PM



Jimmye Pidgeon posted:

Emily was a beautiful and loving lady. Her nickname, to those of us who were privileged to have been longtime friends, was "Smiley". She never had a frown! Her temperament was kind and calm, so we were inclined not to think of her as bellicose. Boy did she fool us! She fought her battle with cancer as if she alone could eradicate this horrible disease. Never did she submit to it! Her fight was not in vain, she was a trailblazer for the cure. We can use her as a standard not to succumb.

July 27 at 5:51 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Emily by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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