



Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman

September 14, 1979 - November 25, 2025

Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman, 46, passed on November 25, 2025 at OSF St. Francis Hospital in Peoria, IL.

Ebony was born on September 14, 1979 to Terri (Ross) and Pizzarro Pickett in Peoria at OSF Hospital. She married Gregory Chapman on July 13, 2013.

Ebony was a loving and caring wife, mother, daughter, granddaughter, sister, aunt, niece, cousin and friend. She graduated from Peoria High School in 1998.

Ebony was a CNA for 10 years at Proctor Place. She believed that a good education is the foundation to succeeding in Life. She was very supportive and completely involved with her children's education and extracurricular activities.

Ebony created a Culinary Arts Scholarship on behalf of her son, Kenneth Ward III. The Scholarship is currently available in his name.

Ebony's son, Martin, graduated from Peoria High with Honors and is currently attending Arizona State University in Tucson, AZ. She was very excited when she had her daughter, Hayden after having two sons.

Ebony was a Photogenic Diva and Queen. Her fashion skills were unique and undeniable. Appearance meant a lot to her. She was definitely a Fashionista! Ebony's favorite restaurant was Tasty Crab. She would even take Benadryl to avoid a reaction to the seafood because she Loved it so much. Ebony was truly a selfless person who would give from the kindness of her heart. Ebony cherished every moment spent with her family and friends, whether that time was in person or on the phone. Sometimes she would talk for hours.

Ebony leaves to cherish her most precious memories, her husband, Gregory; children, Martin and Hayden; parents, Pizzarro and Terri Pickett; sisters, Amber and Paris and grandfather, Willie Ross. In her Union with Gregory, she inherited her bonus children, Hannah, Hollie, Hayley, Isaiah and Noah as well as bonus grandchildren, Micah, William, Antonio, Parker, Makenzie, Malayah, Nolah, Kyla and a special nephew, Kyler. Along with a host of other relatives and friends.

Ebony was preceded in death by her son, Kenneth Ward, III; grandmothers, Marlene Ross and Retha Jones; Bonus parents, Douglas Smith, Charles and Marsha Chapman and a special Aunt, April Ross.

Funeral service will be held at Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral on December 6, 2025 at 11 am with a visitation at 10 am. Bishop Timothy Criss will officiate. Ebony will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be shared at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral
2201 SW Adams Street
Peoria, IL 61602

Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

Greater City of Refuge Worship Cathedral
2201 SW Adams Street
Peoria, IL 61602

Tribute Wall

RL

“ *Renessa Watkins So sorry for your loss💎💎 lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman*



Renessa Watkins So sorry for your loss 🧑 - December 20, 2025 at 06:33 PM

AL

“ *Annette Lucy lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman*



Annette Lucy - December 12, 2025 at 02:33 PM

AL

“ *Annette Lucy lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman*



Annette Lucy - December 10, 2025 at 12:31 AM

SJ

“ *Stephanie Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman*



Stephanie Johnson - December 08, 2025 at 08:44 AM

SP

“ My deepest sympathy to the family❤️



Sonya Pounds - December 06, 2025 at 01:12 PM



“ Ebony you were and will always be the sweetest person that I have ever met in life and we became family thru our New Hope family you will truly be missed but now you and your son are at peace ❤️❤️



Latrice Horton - December 05, 2025 at 11:43 PM

KO

“ Kelly and Dan O'Neil planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman.

Kelly and Dan O'Neil - December 05, 2025 at 10:21 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman.



December 05, 2025 at 10:21 AM

MC

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Molly Chapman-Aiken - December 04, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman.



December 04, 2025 at 03:45 PM

KC

“ Kathy Collins lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman



Kathy Collins - December 03, 2025 at 08:49 AM

IS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Isaiah - December 02, 2025 at 02:45 PM

IS

“ You Always Gave Unconditional Motherly Love To Us All❤️ You'll Forever Have A Spot In All Our Hearts!!! Will Forever Be Missed



Isaiah - December 02, 2025 at 02:29 PM

TB

“ Toni Brown lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman



Toni Brown - December 02, 2025 at 09:17 AM

RH

“ Family you all are in my prayers. Sending sincere prayers and love to each and everyone. Look to the hills where your Help cometh from. Psalm 121:1:2: God bless you all. Rena Webster Horton & Family



Rena Webster Horton - December 01, 2025 at 03:07 PM

DP

“ My deepest condolences!

Darryl Pegues - November 30, 2025 at 03:24 PM



“ My condolences prayers love and hugs to everyone. She was my granddaughter step grandmother



Nakisha Zolicoffer - November 29, 2025 at 03:14 PM

TF

“ Tracy Fondrren-Lusk planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman.

Tracy Fondrren-Lusk - November 28, 2025 at 07:01 PM

TF

“ Tracy Fondrren-Lusk purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Ebony Ulynn Pickett-Chapman.



Tracy Fondrren-Lusk - November 28, 2025 at 07:01 PM

DW

“ Darlina Williams lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman



Darlina Williams - November 27, 2025 at 07:30 PM

A.

“ Sending condolences to Mrs. Ebony's family I worked with her at Proctor place. I would see her come in in the morning she was always nice and polite she shared a picture of her son and talked about how much she loved and missed him. Mrs. Ebony will be greatly missed a very very special lady I am glad I got a chance to know her. Amanda R.

A.Russell - November 27, 2025 at 03:37 PM

DB

“ Dorothea Banks-Butse lit a candle in memory of Ebony Pickett-Chapman



Dorothea Banks-Butse - November 27, 2025 at 10:00 AM

 Lillian
Blake

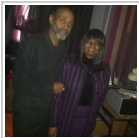
“ *I'm still in disbelief. I woke up Wednesday morning at 1 AM and saw this devastating news on Facebook. The tears just ran down my cheeks. Ebony, you will be greatly missed.*

Lillian Blake - November 27, 2025 at 03:28 AM

PA

Our thoughts and prayers for the Ross and Pickett family. From Bea Clark and family

Patricia - December 03, 2025 at 02:39 PM



“ *My Baby Til we meet again* □□

Latrika Cagle - November 27, 2025 at 02:14 AM

SH

“ *I remember the time we drove all the way from Peoria to Kentucky to pick up Kenny from school. We sang old slow jams the hallway you're once my best friend and I'll never forget to buy we used to have stink loves you dearly. You will be missed by us.*



shay - November 27, 2025 at 01:01 AM

SH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



shay - November 27, 2025 at 01:00 AM

SH

“ I just remember us driving all the way to Kentucky from Peoria to go pick up Kenny from school. Girl we sang old jams the whole way. You were once my best friend girl, my daughter loves you and you will be truly missed by us !



shay - November 27, 2025 at 12:58 AM