



Lorenza Franklin

February 8, 1935 - April 11, 2026

Lorenza Franklin of Chicago, Illinois passed away on Apr 11, 2026. His loved ones are composing his obituary, which you will be able to read here.

Cemetery Details

Washington Memory Gardens

701 Ridge Rd
Thornton, IL 60476

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 22. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home - Legacy Center
7046 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Funeral Service

APR 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial/Interment

APR 22. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MR

“ I am Mary Helen Whalum Rogers, Lorenzo’s cousin. I lived in the Chicago area for seven years but grew up in Memphis. I have very fond memories of attending Lorenzo’s picnics for his customers. Wonderful food and fellowship. He was a gracious and loving host! So sorry I did not connect with him later years.
Rest in peace wonderful cousin. Thanks for the memories! ❤️



Mary Helen Whalum Rogers - April 21 at 07:45 PM

MC

“ Mr. Frank (Uncle Frank as I called him) was a very good friend of my Dad's, Calvin McGahee (Cookie Man) and the mechanic to myself and my siblings for years! He would always fuss at me about replacing my Brakes, but would always end our phone call with: "Girl, bring that car over here in the morning". It was beautiful to watch him and my Dad share laughs, talk about their kids (like we weren't standing there) and reminisce about the good old days. Mr. Frank was a sweet and kind soul and really looked out for us. I would randomly check on him and he would always reply, "I'm still here baby". Rest well Uncle Frank and THANK YOU for not only being my mechanic since the age of 16, but for the friendship you share with my Dad until his last day. Franklin family, you have the McGahee Kids prayers and condolences. Thank you for sharing your Dad/Grandfather with so many!

Marsha Cooks - April 15 at 10:20 PM

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Thanks for the love for my brother

Ernestine Taylor - April 17 at 10:36 PM