

Ione Myrtle Gillespie, aka "Mama J", 57, of Springfield, Missouri, passed away on Monday, November 16th, 2020.

She was born August 11th, 1963, in Yuba City, California, the daughter of Arron and Irva (Kover) Scott.

Ione was passionate about taking care of everyone and being their Mama J. She enjoyed sitting at the window and watching the sun set every evening. She liked butterflies, owls, doing puzzles and playing Bingo. Above everything else, she loved spending time with her family the most.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arron and Irve; her son, Patrick Bauer; a brother, Earl Scott; the love of her life, Thomas Joseph Bauer; and a great grandson, Parker Moore.

Ione is survived by her three daughters, Maryann Hampton (Paul Andresen), Tiffany Moore (Chuck) and Rosemarie Bauer; grandchildren, Austin Bauer, Mikka Bauer, Jonathan Bauer, Chevy Bauer, Kaylalynn Moore, Jasmine Bauer, Kutter Moore, Jason Moore, Amanda Turner, Misty Goodman, Jeremy Moore, Dustin Moore, Levi Moore, Kyleigh Moore, Patricia Bauer, Koletyn Bauer, and Trevor Bauer; great grandchildren, Zendaya Bauer, Analee Martinez, Giovanni Martinez, Mollie Moore, Alexandria Moore, Candice Moore, Dylan Moore, Alisa Moore, Hailey Yankleek, Ashlyn Martin, Eli Martin, Searah Kidwell, Anthony Kidwell, Kendra Turner, Taylor Moore, Ryliegh Moore, Brantley Moore, and Oliver Moore; her significant other, Aca McDonald; her siblings, Shirley Ann, Frank (Charmine), Sharon, and Ola; many nephews and nieces, and a lot of extended family and dear friends.



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*In Loving Memory*  
**Ione Myrtle Gillespie**  
August 11, 1963 - November 16, 2020



One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the Lord. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand: one belonging to him, and the other to the Lord.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the Lord about it:

"Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me,"



The Lord replied, "My son, my precious child, I LOVE YOU and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints.

*It was then that I carried you."*



IN LOVING  
*Memory*

**Ione Myrtle Gillespie**

**BORN**  
August 11, 1963  
Yuba City, California

**PASSED AWAY**  
November 16, 2020  
Springfield, Missouri

**VISITATION**  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Saturday, November 21, 2020  
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