

# *Cherishing the Legacy*

## of a Beautiful Life



# MRS. MARY WAKONYO

*Muenja*

1946 - 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025





# Program of The Day

## Mrs. Mary Wakonyo Mwenja

WEDNESDAY 30th JULY 2025

Master of ceremony : **Mwangi Kihia**

Assistant MC :

Transport Manager : **D. Ndirangu**

Assisted by : **Erick Munanu**

**6:00 A.M** : Departure from home

**7:00 A.M** : Arrival at Montezuma Mortuary

: Viewing of the body & Prayers

**9:00 A.M** : Departure to Kamacharia

**10:30 A.M** : Arrival at ACK Karia-ini

**11.00 A.M :** : Prayers & Welcome

-Hymns

-Reading

-Eulogy

-Speeches / tributes

-Family

-Administration

-Hymn

Vote of thanks -

Procession to the graveyard

Laying of Wreath.

Lunch & Refreshment

“...Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Yes,” says the Spirit, “they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.”

*Revelation 14:13* ☩



# Uforo wa Mwendwa-niiri

## Mrs. Mary Wakonyo Mwenja



### GUCIARWO:

Mwendwa-niiri Mary Wakonyo Mwenja aarī mwana wa gatatu wa Mr. na Mrs. Stephen Thiongo na Charity Tapradich. Marī ciana ithathatū: John Kipruto, Leah Nyakinyua, James Kigera, Nancy Ndurumo, Lucy Wanjiku na Irene Wahu.

### GITHOMO:

Mwendwa-niiri Mary aambirīirie cukuru mwaka wa 1957 thukuruinī wa Kamacharia Primary School kūria aathomeire kīgeranio giāke kīa būrūri gīetagwo Common Entrance mwaka wa 1960, kūria aathomire wega na agīthī Kiraini Intermediate School kūria aathomire kīgeranio giāke già būrūri gīetagwo K.A.P.E. na agīthoma wega na akīrīka na B+ mwaka wa 1963. Mwaka wa 1964 nī atonyire Mombasa Technical College na akīrūmīrīra gīthomo kīa Typing na Shorthand na agīkara kuo mwaka ūmwe.

### WĪRA:

Mwaka-ini wa 1965, Mary Wakonyo nī adikirwo wīra ta muthitagi nī kīama kīa V.O.K. kīrīa kīarī kuo hīndīyo, kūria arutire wīra wabici-inī ya ūhoro na thutha ūcio ni andīkirwo eta muthitagi wa Nairobi City Council. Arī kūo nī athomithirie maündū ma mūthingi megī mathabu na akīongererwo wīra na agītwarwo wabici-inī ya mūcara arī accountant. Ni arutire wīra kuo nginya akirikia miaka ya thirikari ya kuruta wīra.

### KŪHIKA:

Mwendwa-niiri Mary Wakonyo Mwenja nī aacemanirie na James Mwenja na makīhikania mwaka wa 1965. Marī na ciana ithano: James Kiruri, Stephen Thiongo, Lawrence Kamau, John Kiburuto na George Maina.

### NDWARI:

Mwendwa-niiri Mary Wakonyo nī akoretwo akīrūna na mūrimū wa ngoro wītagwo Stenosis kuuma mwaka wa 2021. Nī ūndū wa mūrimū ūcio, nī aarigitwo nī ndagītarī wa ngoro thīnī wa thibitarī ya Nelson Awori Centre na akīheo ndawa ihinda iraya. Ni aigwire wega na agecoka mucii kuria aranyuanga dawa. Ni eheirwo ni mwiri muthenya wa 21/7/2025 na agetwarwo thibitari ya metropolitan. Kuri 22/7/2025, Mary nī aathūükire mūno nī ūndū wa mūrimū wake. Aatwarirūo thibitarī-inī ya Metropolitan na akīngīrio na akīrūmbūyo. Mūthenya wa 22/7/2025 akīhurūka na agīthī gūikarania na Mwathani. Nī acokagīrīwo nī ciana ciake Stephen Thiongo, Lawrence Kamau, John Kiburuto na George Maina. Nyaciara-we wa Lucy muthama na Winne Wangari. Cucu wa Morgan, Giselle, Nicole, Affiq, Chege, Baraka, Kiruri, Jason na Jaylan Kiruri. Mwathani nīfatūheire mami witū na nīamūtwarīte akahurūke.

**Reke rītwa rīa Mwathani rīgoocwo nī ūndū wa mahinda mega marīa twakenanīire namo na tūkīririkana maündū mega hamwe nake. Nīndakūgeithia, mami.**





# Eulogy of the late Mrs. Mary Wakonyo Mwenja



## BIRTH:

Mrs. Mary Wakonyo Mwenja was the third born of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Thiongo and Charity Tapratich. She had six siblings: John Kipruto, Leah Nyakinyua, James Kigera, Nancy Ndurumo, Lucy Wanjiku and Irene Wahu.

## EDUCATION:

The late Mary started school in 1957 at Kamacharia Primary School where she did her national exam called Common Entrance in 1960, where she passed well and proceeded to Kiriaini Intermediate School where she did her national exam known as K.A.P.E. and did well passing with a B+ this was in 1963. In 1964 she joined Mombasa Technical College and pursued Typing and Shorthand and was there for a year.

## EMPLOYMENT:

In 1965, the late Mary Wakonyo was employed as a Clerk by the then V.O.K. where she worked at the information and later joined the Nairobi City Council as a clerk. Whilst there she did some basic accounts and was promoted and moved to the Salaries department as an accountant. She worked there until her retirement.

## MARRIAGE:



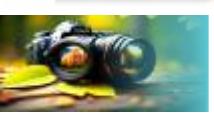
The late Mary Wakonyo Mwenja met the love of her life James Mwenja and tied the knot in 1965. They were blessed with five sons: the late James Kiruri, Stephen Thiongo, Lawrence Kamau, John Kiburuto and George Maina.

## ILLNESS:



The late Mary Wakonyo had been battling a heart condition known as Stenosis since 2021. As a result of this condition she was seen by a cardiologist at Nelson Awori Center and put on long term medication. She underwent surgery to try and correct her Aortic Valve at Nairobi which was semi blocked and after surgery, she was put on long term medication. On 21st/7/2025 Mary's condition deteriorated as a result of her illness. She was rushed to Metropolitan hospital and was admitted and taken under treatment. On the 22nd/7/2025 she rested and went to be with the lord. She is survived by her sons Stephen Thiongo, Lawrence Kamau, John Kiburuto and George Maina. Mother-in-law to Lucy Muthama and Winnie Wangari, Grand children Morgan, Giselle, Nicole, Affiq, Chege, Baraka, Kiruri, Jason and Jaylan Kiruri.

**The Lord gave us our Mum and she has taken her to rest. May the name of the Lord be praised for the good times we shared with our and made memories with her. Fare thee Mum.**



# HER LIFE In Photos



# Hymns

## TI ITHERU TWI MURAATA

Ti itherū twī mūrata, ūtahana arīa angīi  
Jesū nīrīo rītwa rīake, nowe mūtūhoeri.

Kaī ūhoro ūcio naguo,  
nīguo wa magegania  
Atī tūngīhoya Ngai,  
Ndangīrega kūigua.

Rū tūtīraga nīkīi, kūmwarīria kaingī ma  
Nītūrīkanīre nake, tondū nīguo endaga  
Ona tūngematha guothe, tuona ūngī ta ūyū  
Aca tūtikona ūngī, ūngītūigua ta Jesū

O mūthenya tuona ndeto, cia mūtino kana kīi  
Tūngemakio nī ūrirū, githī to tūmwīre we  
Arata aitū arīa ange, rīmwe matūmenaga  
No Jesū ndangetīkīra, gütüte nginya tene.

## NI KURI BURURI MWEGA MA

Nīkūrī būrūri mwega ma, na tūngītīkia twawona,  
Amu Ngai nīatūire o kuo, atūthondekagīra mūciī.

Igūrū kwa Jesū,  
nītūgacemania o kuo,  
Igūrū kwa Baba,  
nītūgacemania o kuo.

Nītūkaina nyīmbo njega, iria cia andū atheru,  
O na mo maroho maitū, matikaigua ruo rīngī

Nītūgathage lthe witū, tūmūcokagīrie mūhera,  
Tondū nī wendo wake mwene, ūtūmaga  
tūkenagio.

## Tributes

### A Tribute to my Beloved Mum

Mary Wakonyo was more than a mother. She was the pillar of our family. Raising 5 men was no easy fate but somehow you managed, behind the silent strength behind every milestone we achieved. You were always there. Her warmth, wisdom and unwavering faith carried us through life's storms. She lived with grace, served with humility and loved without condition. Her laughter lit up every room and her words comforted even the deepest wounds. To us she was a source of endless love, resilience and quiet courage. Her legacy lives on in the values she instilled in us, and the kindness she showed to everyone who crossed her path. We will miss her dearly but we find peace in knowing her spirit will always be with us.

Rest well, Mum. You ran your race with honor and love. Your memory will forever remain in our hearts.

### A Tribute to our dear Shushu

Shosh, I will miss you so much. I really thank God for the time He gave you to us. We have learned a lot from you. Your advice and stories will be missed. Shosho you had a sense of humor that no one else has in this family. It was quite enjoyable to be in your space. It was never boring. I will miss you and will thank God for the time He has given us you. We consider our self lucky.

I remember your question, whoever I came over to see you via uber you always commented that this generation is too soft. I will dearly miss you and your sense of humor.

Shosho you taught us love and the value of self respect as an individual. We cannot believe that you have rested and until we meet again. May you rest in Peace.

From Morgan, Giselle, Nicole, Affia, Tillan, Kiruri, Jason and Jaylan.



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There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:  
a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to kill and a time to heal, a time to tear down and a time to build, a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance.

ECCLESIASTES 3:1-4



*Fare Thee WELL*

## Appreciation

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your kind support and the love you have manifested to Mrs. Mary Wakonyo Mwenja up until her passing on. No measure of words can express our deep gratitude to you all.

Thank you for standing with us during this difficult time, we appreciate you

and you have all been a great comfort to us.

GOD BLESS YOU ABUNDANTLY

