In Loving Memory of

Ms. Sheila Lynette Jackson

Sunrise September 9, 1967 Sunset January 25, 2011

<u>Service</u> Friday, January 28, 2011 - 1:00 p.m.

ETERNITY FUNERAL SERVICES 129 Engle Street. Englewood, New Jersey 07631 Reverend Dr. Lestor Taylor, Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Ms. Sheila Lynette Jackson made her transition to be with God on January 25, 2011 in the city of Hackensack, New Jersey. She died of pancreatic cancer. She was born September 9, 1967 in New York City, to the parents of Mr. Sartell & Scarlett Jackson.

Sheila learned early on in her life that education is an essential tool for community and self-empowerment. Education became her passion especially when she had Jadon. She instilled those essential and vital values. The love for her son became her core existence. As a devoted mother, Sheila volunteered extensively in various positions at Columbus Elementary School, the school Jadon attends. She served as their PTA treasurer, and coordinated several parent meetings and field trips for the school.

Sheila had a committed and generous spirit and a deep love for her family and friends. She opened her heart and home to all and gave a large part of herself to helping others. She was witty, funny, loving, and a proud independent person. Sheila's love and zest for life was evident especially when you saw her on the dance floor. She was the life and joy of the party. If you needed a hug or a smile she was always prepared to give it. If you were feeling down, she would lift you up with her kind and gentle spirit. If you felt left out she would draw you into her circle of love. To truly know Sheila is to love her.

Sheila had a spirit of adventure, and the tenaciousness that allowed her to achieve top rankings in many diverse endeavors. She graduated from Julia Richmond High School, and moved on to receive her Associates Degree in Accounting from the Borough of Manhattan Community College. In 1988, she joined the law firm of White & Case, as an accountant. She was promoted to Treasury Supervisor, where she worked for the past 23 years. At White & Case she developed a vast network of relationships with friends that would last forever. Her warm and friendly approach was well known to many of the partners and staff members throughout the firm.

She is survived by: her son, Jadon Jackson Watford; her parents, Sartell and Scarlett Jackson; her grandfather, Ollie Tatum Sr.; her brother, Sartell Jackson; her sister, Danielle Jackson; her aunts, Lorraine Merrick, Paula Collins and Maa't Jakuta; her uncles, Gregory Tatum, Ollie Tatum III and Ron Jackson; two nieces; her friend and care taker, Johnny Watford; her adopted family at White & Case; and a host of cousins, friends, colleagues, associates and admirers.

<u>Order of Service</u>

SOLO "Yes, God Is Real" Eunice Newkirk

SCRIPTURE READINGS Old Testament – Psalm 23

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SOLO

"I Won't Complain" Eunice Newkirk

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND REMARKS THE OBITUARY

Maa't Jakuta

SOLO

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Eunice Newkirk

EULOGY

COMMITTAL

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

Cremation

Cedar Lawn Crematory Paterson, New Jersey

Going Home

We knew that you were leaving us You were not here to stay We prayed to accept the will of God it had to be that way.

You tried so hard to keep from us Your suffering and pain We knew that God was in our midst And you would live again.

We are so weak, but He is strong We had to let you go We could not pray to keep you here Although we wished it so.

We love you so very much Our hearts do ache with pain Because our lives are so inclined You did not live in vain.

God wanted you, He needed you He took you home to rest All of us love you dearly But God loved you best.

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

We, the family of the late **Sheila Jackson** wish to thank each and every one for their acts of kindness expressed during our hours of bereavement. May God continue to bless you all in a very special day. ~The family.

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