

Celebration of Life for
Linda L. Charity

Sunrise
March 14, 1954

Sunset
April 25, 2011

Saturday, April 30, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

130 Main Street • Orange, NJ

Rev. James Staton, Officiating
Emory Lee, Organist

Obituary

Linda L. Charity was born March 14, 1954 in Wilson, North Carolina to parents of Richard Lee and Mary Louise Bynum. Charity was the first born child of both of her parents.

Charity attended part of elementary school years in North Carolina and then moved to Westchester County to White Plains, NY. Months before her graduation from White Plains High School, she moved to Paterson, NJ and finished her High School education at John F. Kennedy High School. Linda also attended Rutgers University in Newark. She later attended Lyons Institute and graduated valedictorian (top of her class), achieving all the awards the school offered including one in Microbiology.

Charity met her first love Cornelius L. Charity in Paterson, NJ and they were married in Maryland when she was twenty-one. They had two children, Kimyetta K. Bynum and Cornelius "Rashad" Bynum.

Charity worked at Metpath Laboratories as a Quality Control Technician for ten years. She also attended Passaic County College and completed her Real Estate Licenses and worked for Gilmore and Sons Realty where she was recognized as their top real estate agent in sales. In addition to this, Charity worked as a saleswoman for a jewelry, a Land Development Corporation and a winery company. She worked for NJ Transit for over seventeen years as one of the managers in Wayne until her transition.

Charity trained in Karate, Tae kwon Do, Tai Chi Chun and Kickboxing. She also achieved several medals and trophies in karate sparring competitions.

Charity was a former President of the Parent Teacher Association in School Ten. She also served as their Chairman of the Fundraising Committee and accomplished providing School Ten with their first library, and computer lab.

In addition to raising her two children, Charity was a supporter of the community. She donated to many organizations, and assisted "random strangers" with monetary donations. Her spirit is of giving to those in need, praying for peace, tolerance, understanding and accepting her fellowman.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Gregory.

She leaves to mourn and cherish her memories: her daughter, Kimyetta K. Bynum; son, Cornelius "Rashad" Bynum; grandchildren, Ashante, Kamiylah, Kathir, Ranaisha, Kardal and Ranayia Bynum, Khalid Onaola and Reakwon Evans; sisters, Brenda, Gwendolyn, Mahasin, Lisa, Sharon, Shelia, Mattie, Lavetta, and Sha Shanell; brothers, Malik (Richard), Muk (Edward) Quadir (Mark), Shariff (Stevie), Father (Brain); eighteen nieces, twenty-three nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Opening Words

Richard "Malik" Bynum

Scripture Reading

Reakwon Evans

Old Testament

New Testament

Words of Comfort

Khalid Onaola

Selection

Reflections

Kimyetta K. Bynum

Obituary

Kimyetta K. Bynum

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. James Staton

Recessional

Cremation

Rosedale Crematory

Orange, New Jersey

My Mother

*A total self-commitment,
No fame nor fortune need;
She gave herself completely
In thought, in word, in deed.
She never stopped to wonder
On blessings she might earn,
But tried instead to teach me,
And prayed that I might learn.
And now I'm older, wiser.
I understand much more
And look with admiration,
Her presence I adore.*



Acknowledgement

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.*

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