



*In Loving
Memory
of*



Shuntoya A. Sheard

Sunrise

April 13, 1973

Sunset

April 27, 2011

Memorial Service Celebration of Life

Saturday, April 30, 2011 - 3:00 p.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

Minister Sanayi Becles, Officiating

Obituary

Shuntoya Akeisha Sheard was born in New York City to proud parents, Sheila Sheard and Donald Ellman, on April 13, 1973. She was the first of two children.

Shuntoya attended elementary school in New York, Manhattan and graduated from Irvington High School. Later, she attended two years at Essex County College in New Jersey where her parents moved in 1993. There she met a wonderful man by the name of Mark Moore. The two conceived a baby boy, Stefon Brandon Sheard, born on June 18, 1996, at St. Michael's Hospital in Newark, New Jersey, where his grandmother, Sheila and auntie, Tanya watched with tears of joy as he was born.

Later in her life, she joined the Eastern Stars along with her mother and accepted Jesus Christ as her Savior. Shuntoya touched a lot of lives which her sweet, glowing personality and was loved by all she met.

She loved being around her family and friends, enjoying picnics and birthday parties. Now that God has called her home she will still be a part of our family festivities in spirit and in our hearts every day that we breathe. We may have lost you in body, but you will never be forgotten. You will always be there no matter where we go.

Toya leaves to mourn: her loving son, Stefon Brandon Sheard; mother, Sheila Sheard Mayes; father, Eugene Mayes, Jr.; brothers, Richard Mar Todd, Denis Jermain Davis; aunties, Brenda Deloris, Pat, Elva, Yvetta, Tanya and Debbie; uncles, James, Tyrone, Dexter, Earl and Doya; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

We will miss you and always love you.

~ The Family ~

Order of Service

Processional

Musical Selection

"He Saw The Best In Me"

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection

"Never Would've Made It"

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Remarks

(2 minutes please)

Obituary

Final Tribute

Photo Montage

Eulogy

Minister Sanayi Becles

Celebrating the Life of Shuntoya A. Sheard

"I Smile" - by Kirk Franklin

Recessional



Safely Home

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones; Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever, Safely home in Heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder I so calmly Trod the valley of the shade?
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on, Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still:
Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's Will.*

*There is work still waiting for you, So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth - You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home:
Oh, the rapture of that meeting. Oh, the joy to see you come!*



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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