

Life Reflections

Valderia Christina Hodge was born on November 21, 1951 to the late Lester and Virginia Hodge in Elizabeth, New Jersey.

"Val Val", as she was affectionately known, graduated from Abraham Clark High School in Roselle, New Jersey in June, 1969. While in high school she met Barry Simmons and they formed a union. This union was blessed with three children, Barry, Jr., Maurice and Ilescia.

Valderia was employed as a Certified Home Health Aide in New Jersey for several years before moving to Massachusetts 13 years ago.

"Val Val" had a passion for dancing. She could draw a crowd just to see her move smoothly and gracefully across the dance floor. She was quite an excellent dancer. She also had an appreciation for music.

Valderia was loved by everyone she met because of her loving, dazzling personality. She always had a smile on her face. She was such a cheerful mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. She loved all of her family and they loved her. We will miss her so much.

Valderia "Val Val" Hodge departed this life on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 at home at the age of 60. She was predeceased by her parents, Lester and Virginia Hodge, her husband, Barry Simmons and a brother-in-law, Keith Simmons.

She leaves to cherish fond memories, 3 children, Barry of Linden, NJ, Maurice of Elizabeth, NJ and Ilescia of Rahway, NJ; 14 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild; 6 sisters, Leslie Richardson, Virginia Hodge, Helena Johnson (Jimmy), Regina Hunter, Anderia Glenn and Gladys Muhammad (Khaleef); 1 brother, Patrick Hodge; 7 sisters-in-law; 1 brother-in-law and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

As the sun begins to set And the day comes to an end, Precious memories of your life We will cherish so deep within.

Your life was an inspiration You touched so many lives, And we're truly going to miss you Through all the tears we cry.

But joy comes in the morning
Just to know you're at Heavenly rest,
With God and all His angels,
Because you were the very best.

Lovingly, The Family

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude

"Precious Lord"
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"
Bishop Wayne L. Johnson e Center – Roselle, New Jersey
Jonathan Herd

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We little knew that morning God was going to call your name In life we loved you dearly, In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you, You did not go alone; For part of us went with you, The day God called you home. You left us beautiful memories Your love is still our guide; And though we cannot see you, You are always by our side. Our family chain is broken, And nothing seems the same; But as God calls us one by one, The chain will link again.

Acknowledgement

The family of "Val Val" Hodge acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.