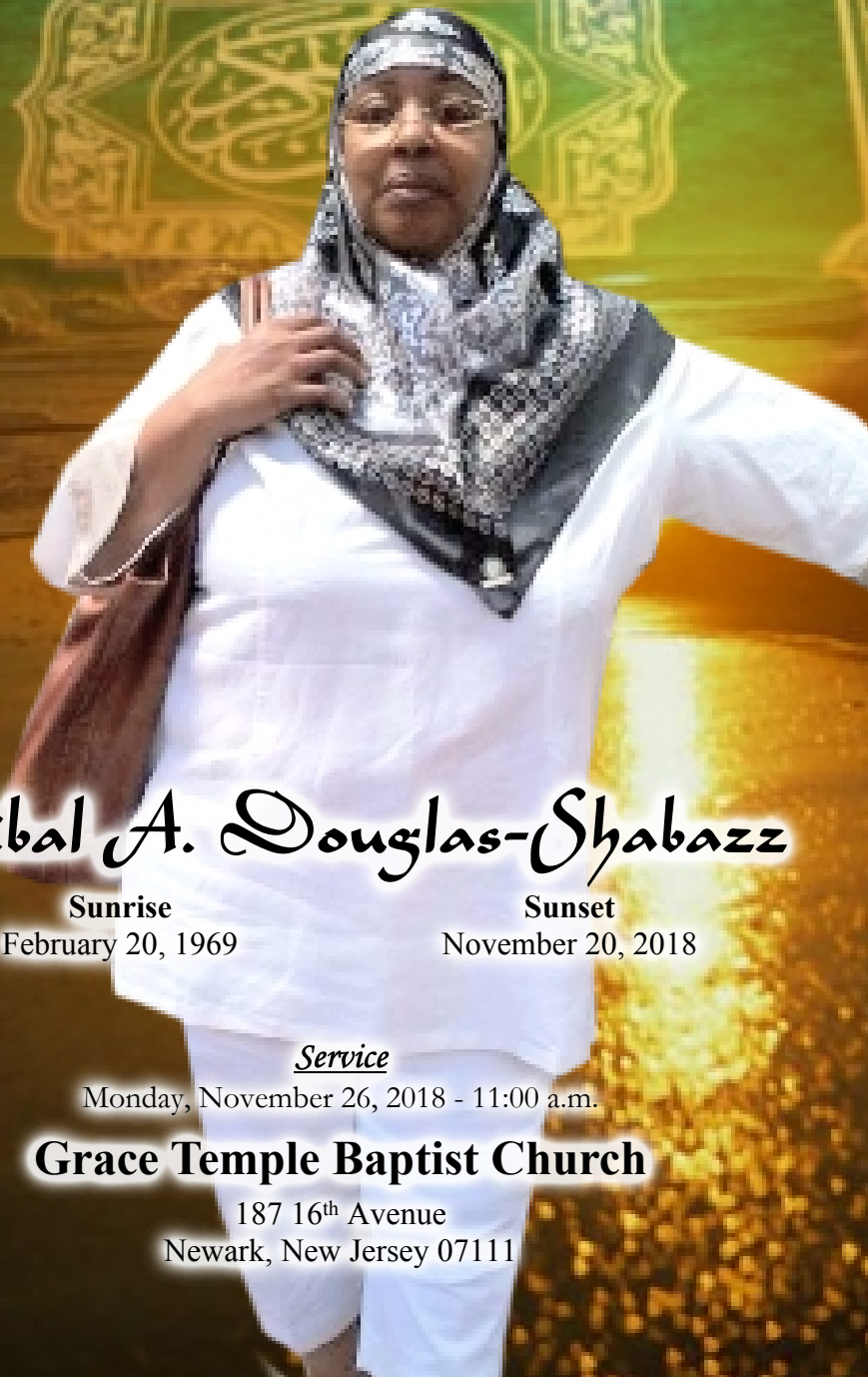


In Loving Memory of



Shibal A. Douglas-Shabazz

Sunrise

February 20, 1969

Sunset

November 20, 2018

Service

Monday, November 26, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.

Grace Temple Baptist Church

187 16th Avenue
Newark, New Jersey 07111

Reflections of Life

Shibal A. Douglas-Shabazz, affectionately known as “Shelby,” was born on February 20, 1969 to the late Louise Wilma Douglas and Aaron “Buck” Norman at UMDNJ in Newark, NJ. Shelby was the ninth child born out of ten children, the last girl, and will always be remembered as the “prettiest baby in the world.”

Educated in the Newark School System, Shelby attended Vailsburg High School, but ultimately graduated from East Orange High School. She later furthered her education and received a number of certifications within the medical field. Shelby began her career in medical billing and coding, later became an optometric technician, and finally a phlebotomist. Her career journey displayed her natural passion for people and helping others.

In 1986, from her union with Hakim Mason, Shelby gave birth to her pride and joy, her one and only daughter, Shanea M. Douglas.

Shelby had a Christian upbringing but willingly embraced Islam in the early 90’s, and have remained faithful since.

On May 8, 1998, Shelby married the love of her life, Sharif Shabazz. For richer or poorer, in sickness and in health, the two became best friends, lovers, soulmates, and spent over 20 years loving and supporting one another through thick and thin. According to Sharif, the day he met her, he knew she was God sent. She was his confidant, a person that took him from nothing, to something he never thought he would become. He mostly enjoyed her cooking – those oxtails were something to remember – and all of the fun they had. Even though it was outdated, she would hit him with “the bounce” whether music was playing or not. There will never be another woman like her.

From Clinton Place to Pine Grove, then to South Clinton Street and later Halsted, Shelby made memories, with many, that will remain in our hearts forever. She enjoyed playing bingo and getting lucky with the lotto. She was infatuated with history and was a math genius. She was the “cool aunt” to her nieces and nephews, and cooked better than any chef according to her granddaughter Myla-Joan. The bond formed with her daughter, Shanea, is everlasting, with memories filled with love, laughter and just a little yelling.

Shelby transitioned from this life on November 20, 2018. She was preceded in death by her parents, Louise Wilma Douglas and Aaron “Buck” Norman; her dad, Archie Howard; her brother, Anthony Douglas; and her sister, Madeline “Neicy” Douglas.

Shelby leaves not to mourn but to cherish fond memories, her beloved husband – Sharif Shabazz; her children: Shanea M. Douglas, Ibn Shabazz and Crystal Shabazz; her grandchildren: Myla-Joan, Skylar and Kiana; her siblings: Leon Douglas, Wayne Douglas, Maggie Douglas, Stacy Jackson, George Jackson, Tamil Douglas and Corey Douglas; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and friends.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Selection

Acknowledgements/Remarks

Reading of the Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Final Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery

Hillside, New Jersey

Bismillah in the name of God, the lord of the universe, the beneficent, the merciful Lord of judgement. you alone we worship and to you alone return for help. Guide us to the straight path. the path of those you have blessed, not of those who have incurred your Wrath nor of those who have gone astray grateful. I'm very proud to have been blessed with the sister, a mother, a friend and confident in my life. there's only so many words that I can say to describe her as we face day by day worries she have no more pain, no more suffering. God has opened his Gates for my lovely wife to enter too soon I say. but who am I to tell God when it's time. but I thank him for the time that he's given us together. laughter play experiences, but strong will power. she I will miss until God put us back together once more. so I thank him for the time you've given us proud you have no one there and loved her until I see you again my queen, peace!!

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in time of sorrow. Your prayers, visits, telephone calls and other acts of thoughtfulness will be greatly remembered. We pray that blessings will continuously be bestowed upon you.

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