

A close-up portrait of a woman with glasses and a headscarf, looking slightly to the side. The background is a soft, warm-toned sunset or sunrise sky with silhouettes of buildings and a crescent moon.

*In Loving
Memory
of*

Mumina As-Sunni

Sunrise
December 3, 1941

Sunset
January 23, 2021

Thursday, February 4, 2021 - 10am

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Obituary

Sister Mumina Bint As-Sunni was born Bobby Jean Belton. She was born on December 3rd, 1941 to James Belton and Nora Cunningham Belton in Greensboro, North Carolina. She was a grandma's girl. Her grandmother Mary Peyton Cunningham, a midwife and devout Seven Day Adventist took her everywhere she went. Her grandmother adored her especially out of all the grandchildren. Mumina attended the public schools in Greensboro and Winston Salem, North Carolina. She left Greensboro, North Carolina in 1959 and came to New York City on a sleep-in job located in Oyster Bay, Long Island. She later came to Harlem, New York where she became a black nationalist. Mumina later attended the City College of New York, Malcolm and King Annex College and graduated from the College of New Rochelle with a Bachelor's degree in Social Science.

She held several jobs during her lifetime and retired as a Substance Abuse Counselor at the Rikers Island prison in Queens, New York. She was a D.C. 37 Union member who participated in many union activities here in Manhattan, New York. In her spare time she was an avid writer and poet. She became a Muslim in 1983 and found a religion she adored. She traveled to Africa and the Caribbean.

Mumina leaves to mourn: two daughters, Cynthia Mears of New York City and Regina Belton of Atlanta, Georgia; one sister, Judy Ann Jones from New York City; her six grandchildren, Ronnisha Belton, Reginald Belton, Chanel Belton, Tunisha Belton, Ramar Belton and Adrian Belton; she has over fifteen great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild; a host of nieces and nephews; and three cousins, Patricia Cobb Brown, Cynthia Jean Cobb and Diana Cobb. Mumina will be missed dearly and her memory will be cherished by her family forever.

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INTERMENT:
Rosedale Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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