

## <u>Obituary</u>



**Elaine Lakes** was born in Newark, NJ on December 13, 1950 to Pearl and Fred Earp.

After discovering her passion for the medical field, she studied and worked as a dental assistant with the University of Medicine and Dentistry

of New Jersey in Newark.

She was married to Fred Lakes until she met her lifetime partner Wesley Irving. Elaine was a loving sister, mother, daughter, aunt, cousin, niece, and friend. Everyone who needed love, assistance, encouragement, and direction met and consulted with Elaine for the guidance they needed in that moment. She was candid in her advice and guided people to their fullest potential. She was an avid jazz lover and attended every live music event possible. Her grandchildren are cultured due to their exposure of the arts through her. Elaine was candid and her laugh was infectious.

Elaine battled with ALS but after a long and unyielding fight she succumbed to her illness on April 13, 2021. She leaves behind one sister, Sherlonda; five children, Lamar, Malika, Jamillah, Ahmed, Yusef; and nine grandchildren, Nia, Asia, Naasir, Tea, Elan, Amelia, Kimorah, Mikaylah, and Carter; aunt's, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

O Allah, please bestow your mercy on our dear beloved Elaine and elevate her station among those who are guided. Send her along the path of those who came before, and please bestow your mercy and comfort on her children and all of us who grieve her. Lord of the worlds. O Allah please make her grave spacious and well-lit and shed light upon her in it. "Amen"

<u>Interment</u>
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

## Remember Me

To the living, I am gone, To the sorrowful I will never return. I am at peace with myself and the Lord, I cannot speak, but I can listen I cannot be seen but I can be heard. So remember me in your heart and thoughts, Remember me in your memories, Remember me of the times we loved, Remember me of the times we laughed, Remember me of the times we cried, Remember me of the times we fought And always remember me of the times we lived together. I am resting in peace with the highest hope that some day we shall all unite again in God's Kingdom. -Author unknown

## Acknowledgement

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