

*Celebrating the Life of
Byina Sedlis Dowdy Dixon*



Sunrise: April 27, 1988
Sunset: September 1, 2021

Sunday, September 12, 2021 - 4PM

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Obituary

Byina was born on April 27, 1988 in Presbyterian Hospital, in New York, NY.

“Bunny” or “Inka” as she was known to her immediate and extended family, attended Choir Academy of Harlem and later on got her GED.

Byina was so full of life. You could call her the “Life of The Party”. She had the most loving and beautiful soul. There are so many reasons people loved Bunny, you could call Byina for anything and she was there to help, but most of all she was your “ride or die” with a sincere heart to help in any way that she could.

She was preceded in death by her great grandmother, Cornelia Coffey and her grandfather, Cleveland Ashley.

Byina leaves behind to cherish her memory: her husband, Tirek Jonathan Dixon; her daughter, Avyanna Dowdy Carter; her mother, Clevette “ShaSha” Ashley (Keith Stacks); her father, Sedlis Dowdy; her sister, Sharice Ashley; her brother, Eddie Ashley; her aunts, Tiffany Ashley (Aashai), Michelle Dowdy-McClam (Vincent) and Vickie Moore (Thomas); and a host of nieces, nephews, uncles, cousins and friends.

A special thanks to her aunts, Loretta Sisse and Natasha Waiters Gary for always being there and showing her love and guidance. A special thanks goes out to aunts, Taquanna Jackson, Michelle Brown and Lorena Holmes for being there from the beginning to the end. And to Precious Mitchell (my daughter from another mother), and cousins, Shaquana Devonish and Shameeka Brown for showing much love and support.

Order of Service

Processional.....	Soft Music
Prelude.....	Soft Music
Song.....	Choir
Scripture.....	Psalm 34:4-5

Prayer

God of love and mercy, embrace all those whose hearts today overflow with grief, unanswered questions and such a sense of loss. Grant them space to express their tears. Hold them close through the coming days.

Poem: "I'm Free"..... Tiffany Ashley

Reflections

Acknowledgements

ObituaryRead Silently

Remarks

SongChoir

Eulogy

Viewing

Recessional

**FINAL DISPOSITION:
Rosehill Crematory
Linden, New Jersey**

WHEN TOMORROW STARTS WITHOUT ME

(Lovingly submitted by the family)

When tomorrow starts without me
And I am not here to see
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
Filled with tears for me.
I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today,
While thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say.
I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,
And each time you think of me, I know you will miss me too.
When tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart for
Every time you think of me,
I am right there in your heart.

FROM HER COUSIN GREGORY

For the one we lost we will always love. With the spirit of the one we lost will it help build the love & foundation of her family, friends & loved ones, cause when she was here the biggest "B" ever, loved everyone with genuine love so now that she is gone she will live within the spirit of all the foundation that she was born a part of.

Acknowledgement

The family of Byina Dowdy Dixon wishes to express our sincere thanks to our family who are more than just friends. Your love and support has helped sustain us and has given us strength we needed to endure this difficult time.

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