

# Qur'an 3: 145

Nor can a soul die except by Allah's leave, the term being fixed as by writing. If any do desire a reward in this life, we shall give it to him, and if any do desire a reward in the hereafter. We shall give it to him. And swiftly shall We reward those that (serve us with) gratitude.

## Dearest Nadira....

You will be truly missed, but now you can retire from all life's labors and rest in peace. For time cannot steal the treasures that we carry in our hearts, nor ever dim the shining thoughts our cherished past imparts. For the memories of the one's we loved still cast a gentle glow, to grace our days and light our paths, wherever we may go.

Nashid Abdul Wasi

## *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 Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, 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 savored 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!

-author unknown

## *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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*With Allah's Name- The Beneficent- The Merciful*

*In Loving Memory of*

*Nadira Nur*

(aka: Joyce Lorraine Williams-Ways)

September 8, 1947 - September 30, 2021



### JANAZAH

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021 - 1:00 PM

### **Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

*Imam Jamal Mustafah, Organist*

## Obituary

Nadira Nur (Joyce Lorraine Williams-Ways)

Nadira was born to Charles Williams and Gertrude Williams on September 8, 1947 in Newark, New Jersey. In her younger days Nadira was a tom boy in the truest sense. She would jump roofs-ride the trains on Badger and Jelliff Avenues and jump off before the train stopped-she would climb down and walk through the tunnels in Weequahic Park and she was a hell of a fighter against girls and boys. She would lead all the boys in these endeavors in the neighborhood.

She was educated in the Newark public school system, attending 18th. Ave school, Bergen Street school, Clinton Place Jr. High School and graduating from Weequahic High in 1965. After graduating

from Weequahic High School she began working for the Newark Pre-School Council, Inc. until her retirement in 1996. Nadira was a mother to many who often called her (Ummi) which in Arabic means my mother.

Nadira is preceded in death by her Mother Ameenah Wasi—Father Charles Williams—Son Muhammad Williams – Great Grand Mariah Wilson and Brother William (Billy) Wooten.

She leaves to cherish her memory Daughter: Shearon(Nafeesah) Williams—Sons: Gary (Latif) Williams (Odesar Williams)—Troy (Wali) Williams—and Kenneth (Umar) Williams—Brother: Nashid Abdul Wasi (Diane H Wasi) of Hillside, NJ. Nadira had nine(9) Grand Children-eleven (11) Great Grand Children and one (1)Great Great Grand Child-- --And a host of Nieces—Nephews---Cousins and Friends.

## Order of Service

*With Allah's Name—The Beneficent—The Merciful*

***Gur'an 17: 23-24***

Thy Lord hath decreed that ye worship none but Him, and that ye be kind to parents. Whether one or both of them attain old age in thy life, say not to them a word of contempt, nor repel them, but address them in terms of honor.

And out of kindness, lower to them the wing of humility, and say: “My Lord! Bestow on them Thy Mercy even as they cherished me in childhood”

*Interment*

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, NJ