

In Loving Memory of
Donna Colwell



Sunrise: October 1, 1961
Sunset: January 5, 2022

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022 - 11:00 A.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

Obituary

On Sunday in the month of October, the 1st day in the year of our Lord 1961. Donna “Duke” Colwell was gifted through birth to Daniel Colwell, and Alice Colwell, who preceded her in death. Also preceding her in death was her son Shadee (Poppy), one sister Joyce, and five brothers David, Joseph, Daniel, James, and Derrick.

In the past few years, Donna was faced with many health challenges. Donna faced each challenge head on, and kept a positive attitude regardless of her health issue. She truly believed that God was in control, and she was protected by his Grace (1 Peter 5:10 ESV). Though she loved and cared for us with all heart, her body could no longer sustain, and she gained her heavenly wings on January 5th, 2022 at University Hospital in Newark, NJ.

Now absent from her mind and body, her spirit and life will be mourned by her surviving family members. four brothers- Jerome (Michelle) of Bayonne, NJ, Neal (Deborah) of Newark, NJ, Darnell (Twana) of Orange, NJ, and her favorite baby brother Troy of Newark, NJ. Two sisters Gloria and Beverly (partner in crime) both of Newark, NJ. One Goddaughter Shatiyna Giles, and a host of nieces and nephews, other relatives and many close friends.

Our sister was very loving and truly loved her family. She was a caring, sensitive, and tough person(bully). She loved when we got together as a family. She knew that meant laughing, dancing and her favorite reason EATING. Donna would do anything for her friends and family. She truly loved all her nieces and nephews the most. At any given time, Auntie Dedo would jump at the chance to babysit or spend time her nieces and nephews no matter the time or day.

Duke you will be truly missed by us all. You fought long and hard, but the Lord needed you more. We will miss you and cherish the moments we spent with you. Fly high Baby Girl Fly High. Yes, we know, we know...I ain't no punk Bro...

Order of Service

Presider: Minister Kewuhn Williams

Scriptures:

New Testament: Bernice Lee

Old Testament: Bernice Lee

Prayer of Comfort: Minister Kewuhn Williams

Selection: Felisha Farrar

Reflections/Remarks

Acknowledgements/Condolences: Michelle Lee

Reading of Obituary: Michelle Lee

Eulogy: Elder Betty J. Moon

Selection: Felisha Farrar

Recessional

Pallbearers: Family Members

Interment
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

The Final Flight

Unknown Author

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 end 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 too I 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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