

# <u>Obituary</u>

**Diane Williams**, 67, of Harlem, New York, was called home to be with the Lord on January 2, 2022, at 10:36pm. Born on August 30, 1954 in Harlem, New York to the late Carrie and Charles Battle.

Diane grew up in the Lincoln Projects with her parents and eleven siblings. She was the seventh child and the fourth girl in her family. Diane loved spending time with her friends and family. In her younger years, her weekends were spent at Staten Island, Prospect Park and Long Island. On Friday's she would go to Long Island with her dad and childhood best friends, Doretha (Deanna's godmother) and Robyn for White Castle. She treated her friends like they were her family especially her best friends, Gail and Joy. Diane was always the life of the parties or family gatherings.

Diane was also loved on her job. She started working at Melrose Center in 1986 as an Administration Clerk in the Social Service Department. After 30 years of service, she gracefully retired in 2016. Diane was a fashionista, she always had to have her nails, eyebrows, and hair done. She spent countless hours in Show Time Hair Salon on 149th and 3rd Ave. She was known for her favorite hairstyle, finger waves. Diane loved to read books and had a hobby of collecting jewelry, CD's, and elephant figurines.

One Sunday afternoon in 1986, Diane was approached by a young man named Ronald Williams at a bus stop on Lenox Ave. and from that moment on they were inseparable. Diane and Ronald soon became parents to a beautiful baby girl named Deanna Victoria Williams, born on March 24, 1992. Deanna was her parents' pride and joy, Diane and her daughter were like best friends. Deanna was the only child and was loved dearly by her mom and dad. Diane wanted her daughter to have every experience a child could have, so Deanna spent summers at sleep away camp and during the school year in various extracurricular activities. Diane loved spending time with her daughter. After having their child and ten years of being together Diane and Ronald decided to make their love everlasting and was married on December 19th, 1996.

In 2016, Diane unfortunately became ill. This was an uphill battle and after fighting her illness for six years, her fight was finally over, and she was able to rest knowing she impacted the lives of the people around her.

Although Diane has went on to be with the Lord, her parents and various late family members, she was loved by many. She survived by a host of nieces and nephews (Shawn, Lamont, Jermaine, Wanda, Tamika, Hannah, Michelle, Lakeya, MeShawn, Aubrey, Dejuana, Aniyah, and Jenara), her brothers and sisters (Elenor, Elizabeth, Annette, Thomas, Gail, and Steven), her loving husband, Ronald Williams and daughter, Deanna Victoria Williams. As well as a host of other family and friends.

Diane will truly be missed by many; it is unfortunate that she had to leave us, but we find peace knowing she is no longer in pain and is now resting with the Lord.

# Order of Service

#### **Musical Prelude**

#### **Presiding**

#### **Scripture Readings:**

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-4 New Testament - Matthew 11:28-30

#### **Pastoral Remark**

Reading of Obituary
Wanda Battle

Special Letter Reading Cassandra Hemphill

## Family/Friend Remarks:

Andrew Rivers Jo Jo

**Prayer Over Family** 

Eulogy

Recessional

### **INTERMENT:**

Rosedale Cemetery Linden, New Jersey The Lords Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.



# 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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