

Celebrating the Life of



*Sheneeqwa T. M.
Epps Smalls*

Sunrise: September 15, 1968

Sunset: January 14, 2022

Friday, February 4, 2022 - 4PM

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Obituary

Sheneeqwa Tonya Monique Epps Wharton Smalls was born on September 15, 1968 in The Bronx, NY. Her father's name is Edward Wharton and her mother's name is Anna Epps. Sheneeqwa was raised in The Bronx until the age of 18, then she moved to Brooklyn.

Sheneeqwa went to P.S. 43 and Walton High School in The Bronx. She received her accountant degree at Interboro Institute. Sheneeqwa worked at an ink factory in The Bronx where she met her future husband, Bryan Smalls. In 2007, she joined the NYPD as a school safety officer.

Sheneeqwa was married to Bryan Smalls until his death (September 2016). She was the stepmother of his five children, Tiffany, Tanishia, Fateema, Lyishia and Bryan.

Sheneeqwa was very smart in everything she did in her life! She loved helping others and giving advice. She loved working and saving money. She loved BBQ chicken but disliked turkey. She loved old school music and reading books. Her favorite song was "Purple Rain" by Prince and purple is her favorite color.

Sheneeqwa was preceded in death by her father, Edward Wharton; mother, Anna Epps; sister, Roxanna Epps; and husband, Bryan Smalls.

Sheneeqwa leaves to cherish her memory: her grandchildren, Brianna, Mark and Kentai "Liam"; stepchildren, Tiffany, Tanishia, Lyishia, Fateema and Bryan; brother, Leslie Epps; nephews, Leslie Epps, Jr., Dyrell Epps and Shawn Epps; great niece, Kimberly Epps; and other family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

FINAL DISPOSITION:

Rosehill Crematory
Linden, New Jersey

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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