

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

*Michelle Madison*

*Sunrise*  
*December 13, 1969*

*Sunset*  
*January 15, 2023*



*Friday, January 27, 2023*

*Viewing: 9:30 a.m.*

*Funeral Service: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.*

**Madonna Multinational Funeral Home**

109 Howe Avenue • Passaic, New Jersey 07055

## Obituary

Michelle Madison, 53 years of age, passed on Sunday, January 15th at Queens Hospital Center, Queens, New York.

Michelle was born December 13, 1969, in Cumberland Hospital, Brooklyn, New York to the daughter of Theodore R. Madison and Georgia M. Madison. Michelle graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School located in Brooklyn, NY.

She was a very selfless and loving person who was very family-oriented and loved her family. Michelle loved her daughters Ashley Madison and Jennifer Madison with all her heart and soul. She was a very generous person that was willing to give her last dollar to ensure that her daughters were happy. Michelle believed in making people happy. As such, it made her happy even if that meant asking other family members for their assistance because her daughters' needs came first before her own.

Michelle had the ability to listen, gave good advice for everyone to feel "special" and encouraged positive energy. Michelle enjoyed being around positive and inspirational people, who were able to motivate her to be the best person she could be in her community. She was around people who loved her and took the time to get to know her on a personal level.

Michelle enjoyed faithfully attending church services, enjoyed laughing, dancing, and spending time with family on special occasions especially at the family reunion. She mostly enjoyed getting the family together for "get-togethers" and celebrating any joyous occasion.

Michelle enjoyed spending time with her family especially during family reunions, when everyone was able to have fun and laugh. She enjoyed expressing her thoughts and giving her honest opinion to you. She loved being "loved" by her children and family because she always wanted to "feel special". Michelle loved being the center of attention and enjoyed having a great conversation with someone.

Michelle enjoyed listening to gospel music because it lifted her spirit up and the music brought joy and love into her heart. Michelle wanted everyone to love each other with respect and dignity regardless of where you came from. She was a very humble person. Michelle would say, "We shall all love each other as a family, and all come together as one, so this country can be a better place. Let's just love one another!"

Michelle leaves to cherish her memory: a loving mother: Georgia M. Madison, her loving children: Ashley Madison and Jennifer Madison; grandson: David Jr. Ray; brothers and sisters: Terry Madison, Michael Madison, Ernest Madison, Sharon Madison, Debra Madison-Allen, Joanna Madison, Kathleen Madison, Arlene Madison, Phyllis Madison, and Mariah Madison-Nitkiewicz, her uncles: Steven Mouzon and Joseph Mouzon; her loving nieces and nephews: Christopher Madison, Aly'anna Dorce Madison, Tatyana Madison Allen, India Madison, Lamel Madison; loving cousins: Ebony Russell, Irene Strokes, Brianna Strokes, Tricia Mouzon; Brother-in-law: David Allen; Sister-in-laws: Carla Madison and Tracy Madison, and a host of other relatives.



## *A Tribute to Michelle Madison*

Michelle was a loving and caring person, and she would give you her last dollar, if she had it. Michelle could be a jokester sometimes. She really enjoyed family outings such as Thanksgiving getting the family together to enjoy good food and listening to music. I am going to miss my sister. I Love you Michelle – **Your brother Big Mike!**

Michelle was my big sister and she used to give me a really hard time because of my selfish ways over the years. I do agree that I was a very selfish person and over the years, I had made changes to become a better person. Since December 2021, Michelle and I had re-developed our sisterhood all over again and we had learned how to communicate, as if we were strangers. I got to understand how she personally felt about things and her view on life. Michelle would explain to me that she wanted people to treat her with respect and dignity, as she was experiencing and dealing with a lot. As we continued to have deeper conversations, she continued to express how she felt about everyone in the family. At times she would frustrate me because she wanted all my attention, but I had to focus on my job. Michelle would get frustrated with me and become very angry and say things that she really did not mean. I got to understand how to deal with her ways most of the time. When I got a chance to really express myself to her, she would hang up the phone. The reason why she would hang the phone up was because I never really expressed myself because I tried to avoid any conflicts. Later that day or the next day, she would apologize to me, but still she would voice her thoughts and opinions about the situation and thanked me for being honest and open about my feelings. I am really going to have our daily conversations, but God had another plan for you. Michelle, you will be dearly missed! **Your sister Debra!**

Michelle, thank you for not only being a big sister to me, but also a mother figure. Thank you for taking me under your wings and treating me as if I were one of your daughters. Your caring and family-oriented mentality was very inspirational to me. You were a strong woman that didn't take any crap, and I always admired that about you. Your smile and your laugh will be greatly missed. I hope that you are at peace, and you are watching over your beautiful daughters. Until we meet again. **Your sister Mariah**

Death can be very unfair, but we can never run away from it. Losing someone is a very painful experience, especially someone you loved. Aunties are important people in everyone's lives. Losing someone that was so close to you, that is family. It feels like a part of you is missing. Losing a loving aunt is very heartbreaking. Aunt Michelle was a lovely daughter, a mother, an aunt, a friend, and a cousin. My aunt was such a positive person. She had no hatred in her heart. This doesn't even seem real, and I wish it was a dream. But I realized that you are in heaven now. I have realized you are at peace, and you are no longer suffering. I miss you so much and I always will. This is hard to get over like a swallowing pill. Accepting that you are no longer with us is the most difficult thing for me. Realizing that you won't see your grandchild grow up to be beautiful and handsome is a difficult pill to swallow. You always told me how strong I was and how I have a good and beautiful heart but at this point today for the first time, I feel weak and vulnerable. I close my eyes as I wipe my tears from my face wishing you were still here. You were more than a mother, a true friend and an angel walking on this earth. I love you so much. I know you are in a better place now watching over this family. Rest in peace – my sweet Aunt. **Your niece Tatyana**

To my mother, you've been the source of my progress, cheerfulness, courage and being a very strong independent woman. You always taught me to be generous and understanding of others and to always have faith that when one door closes another will open. I love you mom – **your daughter Ashley**

Hey Auntie, I miss you! This is a hard thing to deal with but I'm trying to hold it together and keep your high energy in my spirits like you always told me to be happy and keep people out of your business. I have been, I will say keeping people out has been the best thing for me. I will miss your smile, your voice, your hugs, and your character. You are more than an auntie to me and always treated me like your own. I love you auntie – **your niece Aly'anna**

Michelle has always been a generous, loving person that always wanted the best for her two daughters. I remember one time when we were teenagers, when she was making fun of me, and I just got so angry with her, and I stormed off and went upstairs. Michelle just laughed and said, "You can't hide, I'll just go upstairs, I'm your sister". I thought to myself, she's right I live in the same room with her and started laughing to myself. In reality, I just wish she was still here with me. Although, I know that she is in a better place and finally at PEACE! I love you Michelle, for the strength, the compassion and respect that you always had for me. You will always be a part of my life for as long as I have breathed in me.

**Your sister Sharon**

Psalm 23

A Psalm of David.

The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing.  
He makes me lie down in green pastures,  
He leads me beside quiet waters,  
He refreshes my soul.  
He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake.  
Even though I walk through the darkest valley,  
I will fear no evil, for you are with me.  
Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.  
Surely your goodness and love will follow me  
All the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

**Your mother**

To my mother in heaven, I kind of wished I had got the chance to see you one last time to hug and tell you how much I love you and to be by your side no matter what and help you fight this. Sometimes I wonder why death will take someone like you so soon, you were a good, loving, and such a caring person. You made life easy for me and others around you. But God has other plans for you. My heart is full of pain and despair at your loss. I know you still look down on me every day with those beautiful smiles. Continue to rest peacefully, I will always love you – **Jenn**

Michelle, You are such a beautiful and caring person and will truly be missed! **Your brother Terry**

## *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 stay.  
Tasks left undone must be that way.  
I found that place at the close of the day.*

*If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a hug.  
Ah 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 with my family and a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me to know, He set me free.*

***Reading by: Debra Madison-Allen***

# *Weep Not For Me*

*Weep not for me though I have gone  
Into that gentle night  
Grieve if you will, but not for long  
Upon my soul's sweet flight*

*I am at peace, my soul's at rest  
There is no need for tears  
For with your love I was so blessed  
For all those many years*

*There is no pain, I suffer not  
The fear is now all gone  
Put now these things out of your thoughts  
In your memory I live on*

*Remember not my fight for breath  
Remember not the strife  
Please do not dwell upon my death  
But celebrate my life*

**Reading by: Sharon Madison**

*Interment*

12:30 p.m. – Sharp  
Rosehill Cemetery  
792 E Edgar Road • Linden, NJ 07036

*Repass*

Garden Vista Ballroom  
Time: 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM  
29 Howe Avenue • Passaic, NJ 07055

*The Family*

*We thank you for loving us and being who you are such as a loving, caring, strong, family oriented and unselfish person.  
You will be forever missed.*

*Acknowledgements*

*The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation and sincere thanks for all kindness shown to them in their time of sorrow.*

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Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

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