

Sunrise: December 9, 1963 Sunset: April 9, 2023

Wednesday, April 19, 2023 - 11:00 am
Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Edward Allen, Officiating

Joshua Nelson, Organist

<u>Obituary</u>

Shirley Yvonne Fordham was born December 9, 1963 in Kinston, North Carolina to Delilah Greene and late Rev. Winston Greene. She was the First baby girl born with Cerebral Palsy to her parents, and she was truly a Miracle child. Shirley ascended to eternal resting place on April 9, 2023.

Shirley was two years old when she moved to Newark, NJ, with her family. In addition to her condition she took residence in a home for children with special needs. As she grew into an adult Shirley resided at Woodbine Developmental Center. She was well taken care of by her team of staff. Shirley was medically excused from attending school. Shirley is a miracle, she exceeded doctors expectations with her strength and faith to exceed the odds of her survival.

Shirley had a smile that would light up a room. She enjoyed all her family visits, birthdays, zooms calls, her music, and rolling her beautiful eyes at her sister Mamie Fordham. Shirley was always happy.

Shirley was preceded in death by her father, Rev. Winston E. Greene, her brother Larry E. Greene (Gloria Greene), sister Porsha Greene, niece Daja Burnett, and a nephew George Greene

Shirley leaves to cherish her loving memories by her mother Delilah M. Greene and her guardian Daniel Fordham (Uncle), Sisters Mamie Fordham, Theresa James (Norman), Teresa Greene, Kisha Edwards and Danielle Greene; Brothers, David Greene, Kenneth Greene (Shaleen), Jerome A. Greene, Alteriq Greene; a host of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews & cousins.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks (Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

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Eulogy

Recessional

*Interment*Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey



Our Darling has gone to the angels above, Where there's nothing but happiness joy and love, Gone from this world so full of strife, Back to the God who gave her life, So let us not grieve or wish her back again, To go through the sorrows that come to all men, But rejoice that god chose our sweet flower for his own, And has taken her back to his heavenly home.

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.

Professional Services Provided By

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