

Celebration of Life for
Anjeanette Cook

Sunrise: February 14, 1975
Sunset: November 3, 2024



Obituary

Anjeanette "Angie" Cook was born on February 14, 1975, in Shreveport, Louisiana, to William Cook and Neida Faye Cook-Welsh. Angie called many places home throughout her life, but she always held dear the years she spent in Los Angeles, California, with her grandfather, JW Calhoun, and her step-grandmother, Nell.

Seeking guidance and a sense of direction, Angie enlisted in the United States Navy in 1994, where she met Ivor Gordon Luke, the father of her only child, Ivory Monique Luke. In 1998, Angie relocated to New Jersey, aspiring to connect her daughter with her father's family and to create a community where her child could grow up surrounded by love.

Angie held various positions throughout her life, but none impacted her more deeply than her 20-year career in the Biology Department at Seton Hall University. There, she built a community that embraced her and encouraged her growth, sharing her unique blend of wisdom and humor with the young people who visited her office. Following her time at Seton Hall, Angie continued her calling at Princeton University, working in the Department of Sociology. In every role, she was not only a professional but a mentor, confidant, and friend.

Angie was a mother at heart, yet her nurturing spirit extended to everyone she encountered. She lived with purpose and had a gift for inspiring success in those around her.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Angie was a woman of many talents and interests. She was an accomplished gardener with a near-horticultural passion, a voracious reader who even started a blog titled Self-Professed Book Hoarders, and an aficionado of classic television, enjoying shows like Little House on the Prairie, Bewitched, Bonanza, and In the Heat of the Night. She had a lifelong love for Prince, a passion born in her youth and reflected in her extensive music collection. Angie was also an avid gamer, sharing her love of games like Dungeon Siege, Ratchet and Clank, and Civilization with her daughter.

Angie was preceded in death by her father, William Cook, her grandfather, JW Calhoun, and her step-grandmother, "Grandmama Nell." She leaves behind her beloved daughter, Ivory Monique Luke, her mother, Neida Faye Cook-Welsh, her grandmother, Bobby Jean Phillips, and her aunt, Patricia Ann Powell, her Aunt Gloria Cook and her Uncles Malachi, Joyce Cook, Angie's legacy also lives on through her adoptive family: her adoptive father, Gordon Oliver Luke, her adoptive sister, Shonnette Shirlette Luke, and her adoptive brother, Garfield Andell Luke, along with her daughter's father, Ivor Gordon Luke. Additionally, she leaves behind a community of "adopted children" and friends who became family.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024 - 11:00 AM

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street • Orange NJ 07050

Father Gerald Buonopane, Officiating

Emory Lee, Organist

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery

Orange, New Jersey

Psalm 91

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

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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