

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
Valerie Carter-Boulware

Sunrise
August 10, 1965

Sunset
May 20, 2025



Tuesday, June 3, 2025 - 11:00 a.m.

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME
256 Rosa Parks Blvd., Paterson, New Jersey
Rev. Cedric McKoy, Officiating
Rex Hill, Organist

Obituary

Mrs. Valerie Tiwana Carter-Boulware was born August 10, 1965. She was the daughter of Arneather Carter and the late Theodore Carter of Virginia.

She attended Public School No. 10, Martin Luther King Middle School, and graduated from East Side High School in 1983.

After graduation, she started working for the Board of Education as a secretary. Later, she was hired as a clerk for the Passaic County Surrogate Court, where she worked until her retirement in January 2022.

Valerie was always the life of the party. With her flair, arrangements, decorations, table spreads, and ambiance, she could turn any cookout into a party. She had all the stuff that you didn't know you needed until you saw it there. Where some used plastic, she used glass! And good glass! She made all our parties special. The parties without her touch were just... I think she missed her calling, because she should've been a party planner!

Valerie liked to shop online and in stores as well. She had really good taste. That's a family trait I guess. Valerie liked to travel, domestically and internationally. She's taken many cruises, traveled to several countries, and always got her shopping in.

Valerie was a very caring and sharing lady. She gave to multiple charities and volunteered to sponsor children and feed the homeless. She was a very thoughtful gift giver. She remembered every little thing about you. Everyone's interests were special to her, and she poured into those interests even if she didn't fully understand.

Valerie loved her immediate and extended family members; her generosity and loyalty was unmatched. She would give you the shirt off her back. (literally)! Always donating clothes and essential items to families in need.

Valerie and Fon met in Paterson and went to the prom together in 1983. After school, they parted ways when Fon left to serve in the Marine Corps yet remained friends. They were reunited years later and married on September 11th, 2021.

Valerie leaves to mourn her husband, Fon Boulware of Paterson; mother, Arneather Carter of Clifton; mother-in-law, Priscilla Boulware of Paterson, and late Willie J. Boulware of Paterson; two brothers, Gregory W. Carter (Tonda) and Theodore A. Carter (Doris); two stepdaughters, Madison Boulware of Paterson and Chelsi Coleman of Virginia; five sisters-in-law, Debbie Graham, Terry Edwards, Wynonna D. Taylor, Vanita S. Wrice, and Tatiwana L. Sutton; three nephews, Theodore A. Carter Jr. (Crystal) of Maryland, Gregory T. Carter of Woodland Park, and Donte B. Carter of Clifton; two goddaughters, Chanel of Paterson and Tranetta of Maryland. As well as many more, nieces, nephews, cousins, like-children, friends, and family, too many to name.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

Poems

Chelsi Coleman

Madison Boulware

Acknowledgements & Obituary

Selection

Words of Comfort

Rev. Cedric McKoy

First Baptist Church, Spring Valley, New York

Recessional

Interment

(The processional will be led by horse and carriage)

East Ridgelawn Cemetery

255 Main Avenue

Clifton, NJ 07014

Going Home

*Lay down gently tonight, no more sleepless nights, no more
worries, no more fight.*

No more unforgiving pain.

God looked down and saw your face and knew it was time

Time for you to rest and relieve your mind.

He put his arms around you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful.

He always takes the best.

He knew you were suffering.

He knew you were in pain

He knew that you would never get well on Earth again.

He was tired of seeing you go through the stress and strife

So he brought you to a place of ultimate peace and everlasting life.

Acknowledgment

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown to the family in these bereavement hours. May God bless and keep you!

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