

In Loving Memory of
Heather Butterfield

Sunrise: August 26, 1960

Sunset: March 18, 2016



Memorial Service

Friday, March 25, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Dr. Sidney Hargrave, Officiating

Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Organist

Obituary

Heather Butterfield, age fifty-five, a longtime resident of the Bronx, passed away on March 18, 2016.

Heather was born on August 26, 1960 at Grasslands Hospital in Valhalla, New York to Arline Butterfield and Edward Blackman.

Heather attended St. Peter's Union Free High School in Peekskill, New York where she received her diploma in 1979. In 2002, Heather earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from the College of New Rochelle.

In 2012, she was baptized and attended the True Gospel Tabernacle Church in the Bronx, New York.

Heather was employed at the College of New Rochelle as a Library Information Specialist. In this role, she was always in search of information for patrons' reference queries. This allowed her to be of help to others every day and exposed her to new worlds of information and to be more meticulous in the manner she carried out her work.

From 2002 – 2009, Heather served her community by volunteering at the Administration for Children Services as a family mentor. She cherished volunteering at ACS which was near and dear to her heart because she got to work with a lot of families and served as their support system.

Heather prided herself on using good vocabulary and speaking well. She was an avid reader and enjoyed word games. She had a penchant for African-American art and throughout the years had acquired a rather nice collection of art. She enjoyed attending cultural events and would often frequent art galleries. Traveling, seeing Broadway plays, dining out, and attending many events New York offered were also things she enjoyed. She was also a great lover of watching Period Movies (a recent favorite being the Downton Abbey Series).

Survived by the love of her life, her daughter, Vanyell was her greatest accomplishment. Heather will carry everlasting love for Vanyell into eternity.

Heather leaves to mourn: her parents, Arline Butterfield and Edward Blackman; siblings, Dorothy Butterfield, Ana Butterfield, Edward Butterfield and Cynthia Butterfield McCray; daughter, Vanyell Butterfield; brother-in-law, Jerome McCray; nephews, Paris Butterfield, Mansur Bajinan, Jerome McCray and Bryan McCray; and loving relatives and many friends.

Order of Service

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"But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness;
and all these things shall be added unto you." Matthew 6:33

"I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow. I've learned that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he/she handles these three things: a rainy day, lost luggage, and tangled Christmas tree lights. I've learned that regardless of your relationship with your parents, you'll miss them when they're gone from your life. I've learned that making a living is not the same thing as making a life. I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance. I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands; you need to be able to throw some things back. I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart, I usually make the right decision. I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one. I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back. I've learned that I still have a lot to learn. I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

- Maya Angelou

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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