



*Home Going Celebration for*

*Diane Belver Pritchett Strong*

Sunrise  
June 17, 1957

Sunset  
April 17, 2016



## *Obituary*

**Diane Belver Pritchett Strong** was born June 17, 1957 to Doris Pritchett and Charles Roberts. At fifty-eight she completed her earthly journey and was called to her heavenly rest on Sunday, April 17, 2016 at her home in East Orange, NJ.

Diane attended Barringer High School in Newark, NJ graduating in 1976 with flying colors. She also attended Essex College of Business where she completed her degree as an "Executive Secretary". Upon graduation Diane went to work for a company called "Blue Cross & Blue Shield", where she worked with them for twenty-five plus years until she became ill. She loved what she did as a Medicare Adjuster within the company.

In 1994 she met her soulmate Laurence Conditt Strong Sr. this was an amazing connection, they met in the Exxon gas station where they both worked, her being a cashier and him pumping gas. The very first time she laid eyes on him she asked her boss "who was the fresh meat" talking about Laurence. She would go through the gas station and made sure she got his attention with her red dress and red heels. During all of this the two of them became one and out of this union came two wonderful sons, Laurence Jr. and Russel. On September 11, 1994, they stood face to face and said "I do" to one another in Holy Matrimony. While her health was failing, Laurence Jr. brought her first grandbaby into the world. She was able to love and cherish "Nahla" until she was called home to her heavenly Father.

Diane was known to be kind, generous, loyal, and very loving always embracing life to the fullest. Her favorite past time event was eating crabs, drinking beer and she loved to party.

We knew without a doubt that Diane was saved had her own relationship with God. She would from time to time visit Christian Love Baptist Church in Irvington, NJ.

She was preceded in death by Doris A. Pritchett, mother and Agnes Pritchett, grandmother/legal guardian.

Diane leaves to cherish her memory: a loving husband, Laurence Conditt Strong Sr.; two sons, Laurence Jr. and Russel; her precious grandbaby, Nahla; father, Charles Roberts; five step-children, Tahran, Maurice, Tamiko, Samantha and Karriem; three sisters, Doris Jones, Bridget and Tina Kirk; three step-sisters, Carmen, Tracey and Maryann; four step-brothers, Darwin (wife Tracey), Bryant, Charles Jr., William Jr.; one niece, Erica; three great nieces, two nephews; one great nephew, aunt, Robin; her best friend; two uncles; and a large host of cousins, other relatives and friends who will all miss her greatly.

Service  
Friday, April 22, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

**Christian Love Baptist Church**  
830 Lyons Avenue • Irvington, New Jersey

Order of Service

Processional ..... Clergy  
Opening Hymn  
Prayer of Comfort  
Scripture Readings  
    Old Testament  
    New Testament  
Selection  
Acknowledgments & Reflections  
Resolution ..... CLBC  
Tribulation Poem  
Obituary  
Selection  
Eulogy ..... M.I.T. Bridget  
Viewing  
Closing Prayer  
Recessional

**Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery • Newark, New Jersey

Immediately following the service the family would be honored by your presence for a repast at Christian Love Baptist Church 830 Lyons Avenue, Irvington, NJ.



# Precious Memories

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of Diane Belver Pritchett Strong would like to thank all those who have extended their support and acts of kindness during their time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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