

In Loving Memory of
Terry D. Nixon

Sunrise
May 8, 1956

Sunset
May 26, 2016

2 Corinthians 5:8

“We are confident, I say,
and willing rather to be
absent from the body, and
to be present with
the Lord.”



Friday, June 3, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey
Andrew McCleese, Officiating
Emory Lee, Organist



Obituary

Terry Barnes was born on May 8, 1956 to Dolores Barnes (deceased) and Lionel Harris (deceased). As a result of Terry's birth, she gained siblings from both parties, including Kevin Barnes (deceased), Glenn Anderson of South Jersey, Dina Murphy of Georgia, Richard Anderson of Pennsylvania, Keith Anderson (deceased), Lori Crawford of South Carolina, and Gary Harris of Princeton. Terry was the oldest of many siblings and this often times was very challenging for her.

Terry was raised by Dolores and Richard Anderson in Newark, New Jersey and attended school at Charleston Elementary, Weequahic High School and Kean College. Terry was an excellent swimmer and was on a swim team when in school. Terry was talented in making people feel important, appreciated, respected, welcomed and loved.

Terry worked various jobs but Seton Hall University became her home in 1989 and she remained employed there until she retired in the midst of her fight against cancer. In addition, Terry served as a shop steward for OPEIU Local 153 and she enjoyed the opportunity to serve and help her fellow colleagues.

Terry met Nathaniel Wiggins at the age of 18 and she had three children, Karevin Barnes, Keiah Barnes, and Atiyah Barnes. She also gained a daughter, Alicia Mitchell, through their union. Terry met Melvin Nixon in 1989 and they later married on April 18, 1996 at The Life Christian Church in West Orange. Through their marriage, Terry gained a son, Quandell Nixon, and a daughter, Aneesha Nixon. Melvin served Terry through her illness and demonstrated for better or worse, in sickness and health till death do they part.

Terry and Melvin discovered their new journey of Christianity through Atiyah's affiliation with The Life Christian Church. They visited the church to find out why Atiyah was so intrigued and later became members.

Terry loved the Lord with all her heart. Terry had the gift of discernment and she enjoyed meeting people, listening to others' hearts, and engaging in meaningful conversations. She also loved shopping with her girls, cooking out, hanging with family and friends, talking on the phone and taking naps. Terry became adventurous in purchasing houses, enjoying traveling and dreaming about ways to make a profit. I am sure we all enjoyed a conversation with Terry about how we could make it big!!!

Terry departed from earth on May 26, 2016 at 4:15pm and entered the arms of Jesus, where she now enjoys no more pain or suffering. Terry is survived by her husband, Melvin; her children, Karevin and Melissa (daughter-in-law), Keiah, and Atiyah; her grandchildren, Asiana, Jizyah, Jayden, Jihan, Jared, Jinasia, Chase, Jikeir, Justin and Jax; her step-children, step-grandchildren, sisters, brothers, nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of other family members and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

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Eulogy

Recessional

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Rosehill Cemetery

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Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Romans 8:31-39

More Than Conquerors

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.

Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, Neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Lamentations 3:22-33

Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. I say to myself, “The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.” The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him, to the one who seeks him; it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. It is good for a man to bear the yoke while he is young. Let him sit alone in silence, for the Lord has laid it on him. Let him bury his face in the dust—there may yet be hope. Let him offer his cheek to one who would strike him, and let him be filled with disgrace. For no one is cast off by the Lord forever. Though he brings grief, he will show compassion, so great is his unfailing love. For he does not willingly bring affliction or grief to anyone.

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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