

*In Loving Memory of*



*Linda Michele Hughes*

*Sunrise: January 16, 1954*

*Sunset: July 5, 2016*

Service

*Tuesday, July 12, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.*

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Officiating*

*Latasha Jordan, Soloist*

## Obituary

On January 16, 1954 in New York City, God graced Daisy and the late James Ellis Hughes with the second of three children, **Linda Michele Hughes**. Linda's Christian walk began as a child attending church during the summers in Tarboro, North Carolina where she learned to recite Bible verses. She grew with her Christian knowledge by following Joyce Myers Ministry. She later accepted Christ at St. Luke's A.M.E. Church in Manhattan, NY.

Linda attended the New York City School System in her early adolescent years, and graduated from Walton High School in the Bronx. Linda took pride in being independent and at age 17 moved from the Melrose Houses in the Bronx into 25 Saint Nicholas Terrace in Manhattan, where friends and family members lived in several other apartments. It was at that time that she met the late Archie Robert Williams and through that union they were blessed with one loving son, Damien Lamar Williams.

Linda began her employment history at Harlem Hospital where she met her soulmate, Sidney Brown who also worked there.

Linda loved taking and studying for civil examinations. She was dedicated to being on the top end of the score. This was evident with her next employment at the U.S. Postal Office where she had at least two different jobs. Her final career ladder was with the New York State and Supreme Court where she retired as an Associate Court Clerk after 26 years of service.

Linda enjoyed exploring New York and Philadelphia Art Shows where she collected African American Art and Artifacts. Linda loved eating out and trying new restaurants although her favorite was Carmines. No matter where she went, she always had her trademark bottle of hot sauce. She loved to travel the world and frequented St. Maarten, Las Vegas and Disney World.

Linda was very creative and not only was she stylish as well but had an impeccable eye. In another life she would have been an interior designer.

Linda was always very family oriented and would do anything for those she loved. After the death of her sister, Pamela Williams, Linda became the guardian and second mother to Samantha Alice Michelle Aaron. Guiding her from high school through her post college education. When her mother Daisy Hughes needed additional care and support, Linda jumped to the task and had her mother come live with her.

After a too short, graceful, selfless struggle, the Lord called Linda home. Linda leaves to cherish her precious memories: one son, Damien L. Williams; one devoted mother, Daisy R. Hughes; her niece/daughter, Samantha A.M. Aaron; a brother, Michael Ellis Hughes; one sister-in-law, Lavonne Hughes; an adopted sister, Deborah Knox; four nephews, Charles Vann Williams, Michael Ellis Hughes, Jr., Edson Hughes, and Angel Hughes; two nieces, Javonne Hurd and Asante Dunlap; one great niece, Kira Sky Williams; two great nephews, Antoine Lewis and Dominique Watson; one aunt, Emily Vann; godchildren, Jarrett Malone, Sophia Malone, and Justin Knox; a host of treasured cousins, family and friends.

Linda was a devoted daughter, loving mother and sister, a loyal cousin and a caring friend. Linda will live in our hearts forever.

# Order of Service

Prelude

Organist/Soloist.....Latasha Jordan

Invocation..... Reverend Dr. Eric B. Turner

Congregational Hymn..... “I’ll Fly Away”

*1) One glad morning, when this life is over,  
I’ll fly away to a home where joy shall never end, I’ll fly away.  
Chorus: Oh, I’ll fly away. Oh glory, I’ll fly away.  
When I die hallelujah by and by, I’ll fly away*  
*2) Just a few more weary says days then I’ll fly away.  
To a land on God’s celestial shore, I’ll fly away.*

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 121 .....Janet Hammonds

New Testament - Philippians 4:4-7.....Emily Garcia

Prayer of Comfort .....Russel Hammonds

Solo .....Deborah Knox

Acknowledgements and Open Reflections..... 2Min. Limit

Obituary..... Samantha Aaron

Eulogy .....Reverend Dr. Eric B. Turner

Final Viewing

## Interment

*All Saint’s Church Cemetery  
Great Neck, New York*

# *Your Gentle Face And Patient Smile*



*Your gentle face and patient smile,  
With sadness we recall,  
You had a kindly word for each  
And died beloved by all.*

*The voice is mute and stilled the heart  
That loved us well and true,  
Ah, bitter was the trial to part  
From one so good as you.  
You are not forgotten loved one  
Nor will you ever be  
As long as life and memory last  
We will remember thee.*

*We miss you now, our hearts are sore,  
As time goes by, we miss you more,  
Your loving smile, your gentle face,  
No one can take your vacant place.*

*-Author unknown*

## *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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