

Sunrise: November 13, 1941 Sunset: August 12, 2016

Service

Saturday, August 20, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027 Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Officiating Rev. David Jenkins, Organist

Obituary

"Nanny" was named Charlotte Geneva Shumate upon her birth to Myrtle Shumate on November 13, 1941 in Greenville, South Carolina. In 1962, she married Edward Walker in New York City. Her only child, Michelle, was born of a previous relationship with Jesse Solomon. Charlotte worked at Grand Union Supermarkets for 29 years. But if you really want to know why Nanny is cherished by those who will miss her most, read on.

She loved to eat watermelon with salt and popcorn with hot sauce. Every holiday she blessed us with her Southern Cuisine and left us with an abundance of great recipes. She loved traveling to Atlantic City casinos.

She read a lot of Horror, Mysteries, Astrology and Number books. One of her favorite authors was Anne Rice. She loved to listen to music, including Country, Soul, Blues, Jazz, Swing, Motown, even R&B and Hip Hop. Blackstreet's "NO DIGGITY" was a finger-popping, head-bobbing favorite. She loved movies, documentaries, mysteries and oh yeah, Country-Western flicks. Lifetime was her favorite TV channel. Nanny loved to go fishing at Sunken Meadows Park Beach, and she loved to garden. Her favorite flowers were tulips.

Nanny was self-sufficient. She was the epitome of "Handy Man". She relied on no one and always said, "If you want something done and want it done right, do it yourself." She lived by those words.

Her animals were everything to her. She was never without them because she believed they would never let her down. She had an open door policy for everyone. No matter how limited her resources, she always found a way to take care of her family and everyone who entered her home.

Nanny was surrounded by family and loved ones when her body ceased to function on August 12, 2016. She is gone, but her smile and spirit will never be forgotten. She lives on through her family; a daughter, Michelle Walker; grandchildren, Michael Walker, Shalonda King, Charlana Walker, Kenneth Reece, Derrick Reece; and great grandchildren, Khalilah Walker, Mikayla Garay, Mikai Walker Garay, Madyson Walker Garay, Mikel Walker Garay, Kamauri Reece, Kaiden Reece, Amelia Reece and Kamiyah Reece.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Acknowledgements

Remarks Family Speaks

Obituary

Solo Sam Cooke's "Change is Gonna Come" Charlana Walker

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

Last Request

Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in Don't say that I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or to win. Please don't say how good I was, but that I did my best, Just say I tried to do what's right, to give the best I could, not less. Please don't give me wings or halos; that's for God to do; I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due. Please don't give flowers, or talk in real hushed tones, Don't be concerned about me now, I'm well with God, I made it home. Don't talk about what could have been; it's over and it's done. Just see to all my family's needs, especially the little ones. When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a saint, I've done some good; I've done some wrong, so use all your paint. Not just the bright and light tones; use the gray and dark, In fact, don't put me down on canvas; paint me in your heart. Don't just remember the good times, but remember all the bad, For life is full of many things, some happy, and some sad. But if you want to do something, then I have one request, Forgive me the wrong that I've done, and with the love that's left, Thank God for my soul's resting, Thank God for I've been blessed. Thank God for all who loved me, Praise God who loved me best.

a Note of Thanks

The family of **Charlotte Geneva Walker** would like to thank all those who share our grief. We appreciate all the expressions of love and kindness, both seen and unseen.



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