

**Celebrating
the Life
Of**

Deborah

Lorraine

Hughes

Sunrise: October 4, 1957
Sunset: December 31, 2016



Service:

Saturday, January 7, 2016 - 1:00 pm

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

Obituary

Deborah L. Hughes was born on October 4, 1957, in the City of Newark, New Jersey to the late Ann and David Curtis Hughes. She was the second of four children to that union.

Deborah had a happy childhood where she had a close relationship with her grandparents Minnie and Pete Williams and her aunt Eloise who she related to as an older sister.

Deborah was raised in Newark and attended the Newark Public School system where she excelled in her learning. During her school years she found a passion in the arts. She loved dance and acting.

This love lead her to join a community dance team called the Flamingos and be part of an acting group that travelled performing the stag play “Colored Girl” where she sang lead.

Deborah was first baptized as a teenager at Metropolitan Baptist Church. As an adult she returned to the Lord when joining Palm Garden Holiness Church in Newark.

Her career started at Howard Saving Bank then First Fidelity Bank as a teller. Moving forward in her career she became a well sought after housing manager with certification in HUD procedures. This certification relocated her as far as Georgia but having a desire to be close to her family she moved back to Newark.

Her great joy in life was when her daughter Nadia came into her life. That joy was expanded with the birth of her grandchildren.

Deborah will be missed, she leaves to cherish her memory her husband and friend of over 43 years Edward Williams to whom she just renewed her marriage vows in 2016: also her daughter Nadia, grandchildren Cyncere Hughes, Nazair Williams and Hassan Teague, her brother Tony and wife Renee Hughes, sisters Cynthia Hughes and Michelle and husband Richard Parrish. She also leaves aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

INTERMENT

Fairmount Cemetery
Newark, New Jersey

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid you see.
I took His hand when I heard him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found that peace at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee
God wanted me now; He set me free.

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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