

Celebrating the Life of



Diane Lynn Pleasant

Sunrise
November 13, 1954

Sunset
November 29, 2021

Saturday, December 11, 2021 - 4:00 p.m.

Friendship Baptist Church of Garfield

150 Gaston Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey

Rev. Arthur Bryant, Pastor

Obituary

Diane Lynn (Sumter) Pleasant was born November 13, 1954 in Paterson, New Jersey to the late Alma and Robert Sumter.

Diane was educated in the Paterson school system and a graduate of Passaic County Technical in Wayne, New Jersey. Later she earned her license as a beautician. She worked for North Jersey Developmental Center in Totowa, New Jersey as a C.T.S. in the Recreation Department. She worked here until her retirement.

Diane married Henry Pleasant (Former husband) and together they were blessed with her only child Shontell (Kizzy) Pleasant.

Diane was a long faithful member of the Friendship Baptist Church of Garfield in Garfield, NJ. under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Arthur Bryant. She was truly a willing worker in the Church. Diane took pride in her role as Pastor's Nurse and strived for perfection along with her best friend Sister Deborah Boone who also worked in the ministry. She was the chairperson of The Marvelous Lights Praise Dance Ministry (Friendship Baptist Church). Diane was also a member of the Friendship's Praise Walk Ministry and she would lend a helping hand to any ministry that needed her help without hesitation. Some of the joys in her life are her daughter, grandchildren, listening to gospel music, Church, reading the bible (Love the book of Job), singing and always loved cleaning. She refused to use the word "happy". She would remind us all that God only promised us Joy not to be happy. Diane's famous words were "I'm Blessed". She loved people and had a caring heart.

She was preceded in death by her parents; Alma and Robert Sumter and brother; Steven Sumter.

Diane transitioned at home on Monday, November 29, 2021.

Diane leaves to cherish fond memories; her daughter; Shontell Pleasant of Garfield, NJ, grandchildren; Shon'tasia, Jermyia and Sha'Mya of Garfield, NJ, uncle; Roosevelt (Ann) Sumter of Columbia, SC, uncle; George (Sarah) Parker, of Aiken, SC, aunt; Muriel Brown of Paterson, NJ, aunt; Francina Sumter of Paterson, NJ, uncle; Leroy Sumter of Paterson, NJ, brothers; Robert (Evelyn) Sumter of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, Ricardo (Yolanda) Sumter of Hackensack, NJ, sisters; Linda and Jackie Sumter of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, nephew; Jemarr (Deja) Sumter of Hawthorne, NJ, nieces; Keyshanda, Cintrella Sumter of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, Aisha (Shawn) Artis of Prospect Park, NJ, goddaughters; Deborah Duncan, Paula Williams and Tisha Martin, special friends; Deborah Boone and Rev. Denise Blyden, coworkers and a host of cousins, other relatives, friends, as well as her Friendship Baptist Church Family.

Order of Service

Musical PreludeSis. Jean Waterman

PresidingRev. Jestine Paskel

Processional

Invocation

Congregational HymnHold to God's Unchanging Hand

Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection..... Rev. Denise Blyden

Remarks

Acknowledgements/ Reflections of Life

Selection..... I'm Blessed

EulogyRev. Dr. Arthur Bryant, Pastor
Friendship Baptist Church of Garfield

Benediction/Committal

Final Viewing/ Recessional

Final Disposition

Cedar Lawn Crematory
Paterson, New Jersey

I Am Always With You

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears
But be thankful we had so many good years.
I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in JOY
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.
So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust
That it is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear
All my love around you soft and clear
And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.

Acknowledgment

The family of the late **Diane Lynn Pleasant** wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.

May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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