

In Loving Memory of
Lynette Barnett



Sunrise:
May 18, 1958

Sunset:
April 21, 2023

TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023 - 7:00 PM
Cotton Funeral Service
130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey
Joshua Nelson, Organist

Obituary

Lynette Barnett, passed away unexpectedly on April 21, 2023 at her home in Roselle, NJ. Her family is deeply saddened by her sudden death.

Born on May 18, 1958 in Elizabeth, NJ, Lynette met her late husband and partner in life, Keith Barnett Sr. (d. August 2017) in high school. The year was 1974 and their first date resulted in a loving friendship and marriage that spanned 43 years. Keith Sr. was Lynette's rock, and his personality perfectly complemented hers.

After graduating in 1976 from Barringer High School in Newark, NJ, she went on to attend Bloomfield College where she earned an associate degree. She was a Dental Assistant for 40+ years, honing her skills with multiple roles in the Essex and Union County areas. Most notably was her career at UMDNJ, where she worked for over 10 years.

Lynette was also a devoted mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, cousin and friend. She is survived by her two sons, Keith Jr. and Kelvin, her beloved grandchildren, Kamryn Leigh, and Aiden Keith and her mother, Claudia Hollinshed. Lynette will also be greatly missed by her siblings Harold, Donald, and Helena Hollinshed, daughter-in-law Stephanie Barnett, her aunt Mary Washington as well as many cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of extended family and friends.

She was a vibrant soul, with a smile that would immediately light up a room. Her greatest joys in life were the times she spent with her husband, sons and family as well as the active role she took in the lives of her grandchildren. She taught them many life skills and attended endless activities while spoiling them with summer day trips to Coney Island, shopping sprees at Five Below and Carvel ice cream dates. In addition to the pride she took in her relationships, she enjoyed a good celebration and moments that would become treasured —especially the ones that took place at her cousins' Kecia and Robert Earl's house.

Lynette had a passion for cleaning which she satisfied with the small side business she kept running for few years. She would clean and organize homes to her heart's content while she dreamed of traveling the world with her husband Keith. Before his passing, they had the opportunity to cruise together to Puerto Rico, Bahamas, and Haiti. That moment would remain one of the best highlights of her life.

If you were to have had an opportunity to ask her about her greatest achievement, she would say it was raising two successful and productive men. She would always let it be known how proud she was of Keith Jr. and Kelvin any chance she would get.

Throughout her life, Lynette was referred to in many ways. Whether you knew her as Lil, Lizzie or Pizza, you also knew that she had an uncanny ability to find happiness in any situation. She will be sorely missed, but the family is at peace knowing that she is exactly where she wants to be, which is with the love of her life, Keith Sr, who cleared the path to their forever in the afterlife.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection - Joshua Nelson

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection - Joshua Nelson

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary - Kecia McQueen

Poem - Quadir McRae

Selection - Joshua Nelson

Introductory Word: Kelvin Barnett

Eulogy - Keith Barnett Jr.

Recessional

Cremation
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

“Her Journey’s Just Begun”

Don't think of her as gone away
her journey's just begun
life holds so many facets
this earth is only one.
Just think of her as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of warmth and comfort
where there are no days or years.
Think how she must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.
And think of her as living
in the hearts of those she touched
for nothing loved is ever lost
and she was loved so much.

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation and bittersweet gratitude for the sympathy, comforting words, prayers and all expressions of kindness and concern received during this difficult time.

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