

Thursday, August 10, 2023 - 1:30 pm

Masjid Nia 231 Roseville Avenue Newark, New Jersey 07107 Officiant - Imam Ahmed Burhani

## Obituary

**Musawwir S. Sharif** was born (Hattie Mangum) to Hurley and Katherine Mangum, both deceased. Musawwir grew up and attended public schools and graduated Columbia High School in South Orange/Maplewood, New Jersey. Musawwir was known for her quick wit, humor and beautiful voice. The Journey of a Muslim's Life, Al Hajj, was performed in October, 1980 under the Leadership of Imam W. D. Mohammed.

Musawwir was a talented Poetress "Poems From The Heart" which she registered and copy righted in the Library of Congress. Her careers in clerical, administrative and human services were exemplary and the companies where she worked earned her numerous rewards and personal recognition. She obtained a Business Certification from Prudential Insurance Company where she served for many years and retired due to illness.

Musawwir's life journey was loved and cherished by; her siblings Doleros (LoLo) Ross (deceased), Furquan Sharif (deceased), George Mangum, Charlie Mangum, Gertie Mangum, Jimmy Mangum, Arthur Mangum, Freddie Mangum and Herbie Mangum (deceased) and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Adopted Brother Sheik Osman Sharif (deceased) and Adopted Sister Hajja Safiyya Sharif and a host of nieces, nephews, family members and Beloved Muslim Ummah!



The deceased Muslim is placed horizontally in front of the Imaam who stands, according to the Sunnah, at the shoulder of the deceased. The believers stand behind the Imaam. There is no Ruke (bowing) or Sujuud (prostration) in the prayer. The prayer is conducted in an upright standing position, Qiyam and contains four takbirs.

FIRST TAKBIR: The Imam says "Allahu Akbar' (God is Greatest), raising his hands to his ears and placing them between the chest and the navel. The followers do the same. The Imam recites the Al-Fatihah, The Opening, In the name of Allah, the Beneficent, the Most Merciful, Praise be to Allah, the Lord of he worlds; The all Merciful, the ever Merciful, The Possessor of the Day of Judgement. You only we Worship and only Your help we Seek. Guide us to the straight Path; the path of those whom you Bestowed your grace and mercy And not of those who encourage Your wrath

SECOND TAKBIR: The Imam says "Allahu Akbar" without raising his hands. The followers repeat. They then invoke Allah's blessings upon the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) by reciting Salaatu 'Alan Nabiyy. "O Allah, shower Your Mercy upon Muhammad and the followers of Muhammad, as You showered Your Mercy upon Ibrahim and the followers of Ibrahim. Behold You are Praiseworthy. Glorious, Oh Allah, shower Your Blessings upon Muhammad and the followers of Muhammad as You showered Your Blessings upon Ibrahim and the followers of Ibrahim. Behold, You are Praiseworthy, Glorious."

**THIRD TAKBIR:** After the third takbir, the Imam and believers pray for the deceased by saying the following:

"Oh Allah, forgive those of us that are alive and those of us that are dead, those of us that are present and those of us who are absent; our minors and our elders; Oh Allah, whomever of us you keep alive, let him live as a follower of Islam and whomsoever of us you cause to die, let him die as a believer."

**FOURTH TAKBIR:** The Imam says "Allahu Akbar and the believer repeat. They proceed with:

"Oh Allah, do not deny the reward which is due him, do not expose us to temptation after his death. Forgive us and him."

The Imam concludes the prayer with:

"As Salaamu 'Aiaikum wa Rahmatullahi"\* and the believers repeat.

\*Peace and Mercy of Allah be upon you.

## Interment

Restland Memorial Park 77 Deforest Ave, East Hanover, NJ 07936

## Al-Catiha

Bismillaah ar-Rahman ar-Raheem
Al hamdu lillaahi rabbil 'alameen
Ar-Rahman ar-Raheem Maaliki yaumid Deen
Iyyaaka na'abudu wa iyyaaka nasta'een
Ihdinas siraatal mustaqeem
Siraatal ladheena an 'amta' alaihim
Ghairil maghduubi' alaihim waladaaleen
Aameen

In the name of God, the infinitely
Compassionate and Merciful.
Praise be to God, Lord of all the worlds.
The Compassionate, the Merciful.
Ruler on the Day of Reckoning.
You alone do we worship,
and You alone do we ask for help.
Guide us on the straight path,
the path of those who have received your grace;
not the path of those who have brought down wrath,
nor of those who wander astray.

Amen.

Acknowledgements
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