



Mrs. Jana Marie Murphy

April 29, 1977 - June 1, 2013

Jana Marie Caldwell Murphy was welcomed into this world at 5:55 P.M. on Friday, April 29, 1977, at Harrisburg Hospital in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. She brought sunshine into the lives of her family from the moment she entered this world. She was the first and only daughter born to the union of Karen and Maurice Caldwell.

Jana accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior on June 24, 1991, and became a member of St. Jacob's Kimmerlings Church, Lebanon, Pennsylvania. In the Fall of 2011, she began attending the Harrisburg Brethren in Christ Church in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. She loved the Lord and encouraged her friends to worship with her.

Jana grew up in Harrisburg where she attended the Harrisburg Public Schools and graduated from Harrisburg High School in June 1995. She was very active in her high school years. She was a member of the SBI Program, the National Honor Society, Treasurer of the Student Council, Secretary of the Cougar Den, Peer Counselor, member of the Big Sister Program, and Second Runner-Up on the Homecoming Court. She played the flute in the Harrisburg 'Cougar' Marching Band and served as its President. Upon graduation from high school, she furthered her education at Cheyney University through 1996. She then transferred to York College of Pennsylvania and graduated in December 1999 with a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

In 1999, Jana met the love of her life, Andre Murphy. On January 23, 2002, they were blessed with Jana's greatest accomplishment and most precious gift, Malaysia Kristyne Murphy. Malaysia is Jana's pride and joy and Jana's legacy lives on through her. Malaysia has the spirit, the love of life, the strength and the courage of her mother. Jana will smile upon her and watch over her for eternity.

Jana had a passion for all children and was employed in 2000 by Gaudenzia where she was able to work with troubled youth. She moved on to become a TSS at Youth Advocate and also worked at Ron Brown Charter School. She firmly believed that discipline is a valuable part of education for without discipline there is no learning. Her students loved and respected her. When Ron Brown Charter School closed, she decided to open Miss Jana's Family Day Care for infants through kindergarten. Discipline, education, 'fun' time and love became a part of these children's lives. Jana knew that a structured life was essential to building character and respect for others. While she was an enforcer of her rules, she also loved these children with a heart of gold. Miss Jana was called home before she could say goodbye to her 'kids,' but they will always feel her presence in their lives.

Jana loved life, and she loved her family and friends. She was the most caring and unselfish person in all our lives. She never forgot a birthday or an anniversary and was always the first to call when you needed her. She would cry with you, laugh with you, and she'd never leave without saying, "I love you." As she battled with her illness, she never complained. She was grateful for the many days she felt well and would tolerate the days when she wasn't well. No one understood or knew the seriousness of the illness that suddenly took her from us, but God knew and He called her home.

At 8:00 A.M. on Saturday, June 1, 2013, Jana left us to move on to her next

journey of eternal life. Her smile will now light up the heavens as it had brought joy and light in our lives. She leaves to cherish and celebrate her life her loving husband, Andre Murphy; her precious daughter, Malaysia; her stepdaughter, Zhayda; her Godson, Rodney Ramsey Jr.; parents, Maurice and Karen Caldwell; grandmother, Eva Peiffer; brothers, Adrian and James Caldwell of Harrisburg, and Kirk Caldwell of Nashville, Arkansas; sisters, Tonya Jean Blount, Clarise Dena Wallace (brother-in-law, Kenneth); nieces, Naiera Caldwell, Casey Caldwell and Tiffany Hunter; nephew, Adrian Caldwell; and a host of extended family and friends.

Jana was our Sunshine, our Joy and our Most Precious Gift from God!

Lovingly Submitted by Jana's Family

Jana's life will be celebrated at 12 Noon, Friday, June 7th, at Harrisburg Brethren in Christ Church, 2217 Derry Street, Harrisburg, with viewing from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon and interment at William Howard Day Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

William Howard Day Cemetery

Lincoln and Carlisle Streets
Steelton, PA 17113

Tribute Wall

DU

“ *Some days I still find myself picking up the phone to call you. It still seems surreal some days. I love you sister and miss you like CRAZY! Countless memories flood my mind often.*

*Love,
Rudy*

Dominque Urrutia - April 18, 2014 at 07:11 AM

BA

“ *Jana had a radiant personality, one of which could never be forgotten. She had a gift of making others laugh at any given moment...just the expressions she had in her face alone could cause laughter. She was a very kind, gentle and thoughtful soul and a true friend. She could turn the dullest moment into hours of fun.*

Barb - October 10, 2013 at 08:18 PM

DU

“ *Still feels surreal. Missing you sister.....*

Dominque Urrutia - June 15, 2013 at 02:41 AM

NM

“ *I miss you sis! Love you so very much!*

Toya

NaToya Moore - June 14, 2013 at 01:28 PM

DU

“ *As I sit here the day after your beautiful homegoing service it still seems surreal. I know your watching over me so you saw Rudy in FULL retail therapy mode today. Thank you for all that you were to me. I love you sister. Rest peacefully.*

*Love,
Rudy.....Dominque Urrutia*

Dominque Urrutia - June 08, 2013 at 05:32 PM

TI

“ *Tina lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Jana Marie Murphy*



tina - June 07, 2013 at 09:59 AM

PM

“ *Karen, Maurice and family: My thoughts and prayers go out to each and every one of you at this difficult time. My heart aches for you but I know that your faith in God will get you through this. I am here if you need anything.*

Pam Morrow



Pam Morrow - June 05, 2013 at 08:24 AM