



Mrs. Linda A. Washington

December 23, 1951 - July 17, 2015

“...Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man,

the things which God hath prepared for them that love him...”

I Corinthians 2:9

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Linda Andrea Washington, affectionately known as “Pudden,” was born Sunday, December 23, 1951, in Washington, DC, to the late Celestine D. Murphy and the late Edgar B. Murphy Sr.

Upon moving to Harrisburg, PA, Linda received her education in the Harrisburg School District where she graduated from William Penn High School. She began her working career as part of her school’s Co-Op Educational Program as a part-time cashier at Weis Markets during her junior and senior high school years. Linda then advanced her career within the Government Sector and retired from the New Cumberland Army Depot in 2002.

Linda has always been a virtuous and spiritual woman. In 1985, she accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and received her baptism by her biological brother, Rev. Edgar B. Murphy Jr., former Pastor of First Spirit-Filled Missionary Baptist Church of Edgemont. Linda faithfully served on the Usher Board until she became ill. She loved the Lord, her family, especially her

grandchildren, and her friends. She enjoyed grocery shopping (and always had coupons for everything), cooking and inviting everyone to her home. After retirement, she decided to become a pet owner, and she and her dog, a miniature Schnauzer named "Miles," have been inseparable ever since.

Linda was the oldest of eight children and graciously served as the matriarch of the family long before the passing of her mother (at an early age in 1994). She provided guidance and support to her younger siblings as well as her nieces and nephews. She continuously ensured their well-being remained her priority. At Christmas time, she was known for buying everyone some type of pajamas or nightgowns. She never failed to call them on their birthdays and/or send a gift. She would laugh with them, cry with them and would even go to battle for them, if necessary (even if it was 2 a.m. in the morning).

After a courageous battle with breast cancer, at sixty-three years of age, Linda was called to be with her Lord on Friday, July 17, 2015, while at her Middletown, PA, home surrounded by her loved ones.

Missing her, but letting her go, are her husband of forty-five years, Minister Carl E. Washington Jr. of Middletown; two sons, Leno E. Washington (Karen) of Hershey, PA, and Carl E. Washington III (Lucretia) of Harrisburg; one daughter, Malaina D. Washington (Brandon) of Harrisburg; four brothers, Edwin Murphy Sr. of Harrisburg, Rev. Edgar B. Murphy Jr. (Deborah) of Albion, PA, Michael Murphy of Dayton, OH, and Gerald Murphy (Bon) of Greensboro, NC; three sisters, Neena Murphy-Jackson (Elder Kevin) of Harrisburg, Shirley Murphy of Tampa, FL, and Vergia Murphy-Isley (Devon) of Greensboro, NC; six grandchildren, Kayla, Lauryn and Kameron Washington of Hershey, MaKoi, Braylon and Jaylana Washington of Harrisburg; her devoted friend of fifty years, Patsy Sheppard; her miniature Schnauzer, "Miles;" and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Giving God all Glory, Honor and Praise, The Family

Mrs. Washington's life will be celebrated at 11 a.m., Tuesday, July 28, 2015, at First Spirit-Filled Baptist Church of Edgemont with viewing from 10 to 11 am and Interment at Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens.

# Tribute Wall

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