

Sharlene Burston Obituary

Sharlene Burston was born on December 14th 1958 to Charlene Badgett and Raymond Burston Sr. of Boston Massachusetts. Growing up in Mission Hill, she was the second eldest of 9 children. Sharlene embraced her role as the eldest daughter, assisting her younger brothers and sisters early in her life.

Sharlene attended Boston Public Schools and earned her High School Diploma from Boston Central Adult High School. She was a mother of three daughters who she loved dearly. As a young mother she attended church services from time to time, and it was there she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her savior. Over the course of her life, She has worked numerous roles at several institutes within the community such as Trotter Elementary School, Northeastern University, and Simmons College. Known as *Ms. Burston*, Sharlene helped raise generations of kids in her workplace and wherever she resided. As these kids grew up, they were reminded of her presence and how much she has made an impact on their lives. She even left her mark on fellow friends, coworkers, and even strangers!

Sharlene enjoyed her time doing many things she loved. She was very talented in cooking and enjoyed serving her food to those who knew her. Facebook was one of her favorite ways to connect with family and friends. She would share photos of herself and loved ones, send her good mornings, and even share daily scriptures, as she was a believer in Christ. One important characteristic of Sharlene was that she was nurturing. She took care of people and gave back to those who may have needed things more than she did. To know Sharlene, was an honor to us all. Her time here on earth was well spent.

She is preceded in death by her parents Charlene Badgett and Raymond Burston Sr., her sisters Stephanie Shanks and Sharilee Banks, and her brother Rodney Burston.

She leaves behind brothers Raymond Burston Jr, Reynard Burston, Stephen Wright and Joseph Burston, and sister Stacey Burston. Her three daughters Jalila Jack, Shardee Burston and Chavelle Young. Longtime partner, Darrell Young. Her son in-law Mario Jack and grandchildren: Adiva Jack, Aiden Jack, Ethan Jack, Gerald Simmons, & bonus grandkids Esteafan Jack and Amariah Jack. Nieces Stephanie Shanks, Trinayse Ward, Rufina Lamothe,

God daughters: Millynnia Lewis and Lundynn Godfrey, nephew Devin Ward, and great nephew Terrence Goodrich, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Acknowledgements

Thank you to her family & friends who have shown such great compassion and support.

Pallbearers

1. Family & Friends

Poem

She is Gone

*You can shed tears that she is gone
or you can smile because she has lived.*

*You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back
or you can open your eyes and see all she's left.*

*Your heart can be empty because you can't see her
or you can be full of the love you shared.*

*You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.*

*You can remember her and only that she's gone
or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.*

*You can cry and close your mind,
be empty and turn your back
or you can do what she'd want:
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.*

Help us celebrate her life together as we remember her.

Opening Prayer

Old Testament scripture Psalms 23

New testament scripture John 14: 1-6

Solo:

Remarks:

Poem:

Acknowledgement

Obituary

Solo:

Eulogy:

Pastor Michelle Higginbottom

Minister Kimberly Scarlett

Sis.Rufina Lamothe

Precious Lord take my hand

2 Minutes

Adiva Jack

Minister Elaine Perry

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Safe in his arms (Milton Brunson)

Pastor Michelle Higginbottom