

PROVERBS 31:10-31

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar. She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens. She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard. She girdeth her loins with strength, and strengtheneth her arms. She perceiveth that her merchandise is good: her candle goeth not out by night. She layeth her hands to the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of the snow for her household: for all her household are clothed with scarlet. She maketh herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is silk and purple. Her husband is known in the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land. She maketh fine linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant. Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates.

*"Smile. God loves you."
-Mama*

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Flower Bearers

Granddaughters

Interment

Westlawn Cemetery

31472 Michigan Ave.

Wayne, Michigan 48184

Final Arrangement

James Cole Funeral Home

16100 Schaefer Hwy.

Detroit, Michigan 48235

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of the late Divera Barnes acknowledges, sincere appreciation, the many comforting messages, floral tributes, prayers, and many other expressions of kindness and concern evidenced at this time in thought and deed. A more personal acknowledgment will be made at a later date.



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Celebrating THE LIFE OF



Divera "Mama" Barnes

SUNRISE: MARCH 30, 1950 - SUNSET: AUGUST 4, 2021

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

Family Time: 10:00 AM | Service: 11:00 AM

James H. Cole Home for Funerals

16100 Schaefer Hwy. | Detroit, MI 48235

Kevin B. Mack, Officiant

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Prayer

Scripture

Song

Obituary (Read in Silence)

Eulogy

Recessional

Postlude



When I Am Gone

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.
I gave you my love, and you can only guess,
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.
So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.



For your safety, all drivers in the processional are asked to turn on their headlights. Thank you.

The Obituary

Divera Barnes was born March 30, 1950, along with her twin sister Diana to Frankie Pearl Odom and Damon Edwards in Detroit. On November 5, 1960, she was baptized at Mt. Nebo Baptist Church in Detroit, along with her twin sister, Diana.

Divera attended Detroit Public Schools. She obtained her diploma from Southwestern High School when she met and married Tommie L. Barnes. They were married on March 11, 1967, and five children were born to this union: Tonya, Shawnda, Dan L., Shavaughn, and Ivan.

Divera loved children and often babysat for others. Her home always has someone else's children around, especially in the summer. She took neighbors kids to many fun places like fun places like Boblo Island and the circus.

Divera loved cooking and hosting Holidays, Birthdays and large family gatherings. Everyone was welcomed. All she wished for in return was a hug and a smile. Everyone called her "Mama" no matter the relation because she treated everyone as her own.

Divera's love for cooking led her to a long career in food services at Detroit area Nursing homes. She made sure the residents were fed like family.

Divera was always active in church and often sang in the choir. She took her children and grandchildren to all services and vacation bible school and would be waiting with snacks for everyone. She was a member at New St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church when her health began to fail, and no longer permitted to attend. But she was always in prayer and study.

Divera transitioned peacefully in her home to be with the Lord on August 4, 2021. She was preceded in death by her parents, her sisters: Diana, Anita, Deborah, and Ebbie.

She leaves to mourn her memory, husband, Tommie L. Barnes; children: Tonya Barnes, Shawnda Davis, Dan L. Barnes (Arnella), Shavaughn Barnes, and Ivan Barnes; grandchildren: Janisa Barnes, Sharda Barnes, Donovan Barnes, and Iyanna Barnes; one great-granddaughter, Aaliyah Gaines; sister, Katrina Burnside; brothers, Damon and David; and a host of nieces and nephews.

