

When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while,
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years,
But start out bravely with a gallant smile;
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same,
Feed not your loneliness on empty days,
But fill each waking hour in useful ways,
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near;
And never, never be afraid to die,
For I am waiting for you in the sky!

Flower Bearers
Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The family of Nicole Yolanda Mills Fomby wishes to express their sincere gratitude to all of you for your heartfelt prayers, presence, love, telephone calls, kind words and all other expressions of concern that you have shown during our time of bereavement. Never more than now was your kindness needed and more appreciated. A special thank you to Ivan E. Phillips and the Staff of Paradise Funeral Chapel, Pastor Hill, and the Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church family.



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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My Life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!

Celebrating the Life of



Mrs. Nicole Yolanda Mills-Fomby

Sunrise: January 9, 1982 - Sunset: March 28, 2025

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 11:00 AM

Paradise Funeral Chapel
3100 South Washington Avenue
Saginaw, Michigan 48601

Pastor Willie R. Hill, Jr. Officiating



Order of Service

Prelude	Musician
Processional	Lay Me Down By (Sam Smith)..... Family
Scripture Reading	Old & New Testament Pastor Angela Curry Parks Greater Impact
Prayer	Minister
Selection	Precious Lord..... Charlotte Hillard
Acknowledgements & Obituary	Carlis River
Expressions	(Please Limit to 2 Minutes) Family & Friends
Selection	Lord Do It For Me..... Charlotte Hillard
Eulogy	Pastor Willie R. Hill Jr. Mount Nebo Baptist Church

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me,
 I want no rites in a gloom filled room. Why cry for a soul set free.
 Miss me a little, but not too long and not with your head bowed low.
 Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me but let me go.
 For this is a journey that we all must take and each must go alone.
 It's all a part of the Master's plan, a step on the road home.
 When you are lonely and sick at heart, go to family and friends we know
 And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds.
 Miss me but let me go.



Obituary

Mrs. Nicole Yolanda Mills-Fomby began her earthly journey in life on January 9, 1982, in Saginaw, Michigan, the daughter of Almeta and Willie Mills Sr. She gained her eternal wings and entered the Kingdom of Heaven on Friday, March 28, 2025, at the age of 43 years.

Before relocating to Rochester Hills, Michigan, with her family, Nicole was a lifelong resident of Saginaw, Michigan, where she attended Saginaw Public Schools. She was a 2001 graduate of Saginaw High School. Nicole had a passion for helping others so after receiving her diploma, she furthered her education to begin her career in Nursing. For over 14 years, she held nursing positions at Aleda E. Lutz VA Hospital and Home Healthcare. Nicole loved to shop. She was especially interested in jewelry. She had a flair for different but unique, stylish pieces. Along with her passion for jewelry and a great business mind, she began her career as the Owner and CEO of Keep In Mind Jewelry.

Nicole was a faithful member of Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Hill. She loved the Lord and enjoyed praising Him. Whenever she was unable to attend services in person, she always made sure she watched online.

She was also an extensive traveler who loved sitting by the water and catching butterflies. Nicole was an awesome cook who loved preparing meals for her family, whom she adored. During family get-togethers, Nicole was the life of the party. She was always dancing and joking with everyone.

Even though Nicole was the baby sister of the family, she was always the outspoken one who held her siblings together. Never saying what they wanted to hear but what they needed to hear. Gone too soon and never forgotten, her wonderful presence and beautiful smile will be truly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Nicole leaves to cherish her wonderful memory, her husband, Willie Lamar Fomby of Rochester Hills, Michigan; fifteen children, Quindreveon, Dre'lyn and Andre II Poole, Na'Marya Fomby, Khalil, Aiden, Jamario, Willie, Warren, Kaden, Amari, Tysean, Zario, An'Janae and Gabrielle Fomby; her mother, Almeta Mills; one sister, Renae (John) Williams of Saginaw, Michigan; two brothers, Willie Mills Jr. of Minnesota and Dionne Mills of Saginaw, Michigan; five nieces, Da'Maya, Ka'Nija, Dionna and Rihanna Mills, and Royalty Christian; four nephews, Dionne, Demetrius and Tresean Mills, Ja'Kiel Stone; five great-nieces and nephews, Ja'Laya Gorham, Zha'ryah Beard, Matavion Beard, Jaxson Mills and Kh'Mari Stone; mother-in-law, Angela Foster; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Nicole was preceded in death by her father, Willie Mills Sr., grandparents, Curtis and Lucy Mills, Albert and Olarvean Caldwell, father-in-law, Willie Foster, one nephew, Da'Michael Mills, two aunts, Brenda Caldwell and Helen Mills, five uncles, Clifford Caldwell, Frank, Sam, Ned and Bobby Mills.

