

*A Celebration of Life For*  
**DALENE A. HOLMES**

*Sunrise: July 29, 1958 - Sunset: June 11, 2023*



*For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die,  
we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or  
whether we die we are the Lord's.  
Romans 14:8*

*Tuesday | June 27, 2023*

*Wake: 10:30am - Service 11:00am*

**JOSEPH H. BROWN JR, FUNERAL HOME**  
2140 N. FULTON AVE.  
BALTIMORE, MD 21217

*Reverened Darryl Hilliard Sr, Pastor/Officiating  
Positive Change Outreach Ministry Inc.*

## Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL	ENTERING OF PASTOR & FAMILY
HYMNAL (INSERTED)	"SOON AND VERY SOON"
SCRIPTURE READINGS	BRYANT WILLIAMS
PRAYER OF COMFORT	FAMILY MEMBER
SELECTION	SHARONDA LANG
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS	TAMIKA PRICE
OBITUARY READING	TAMIKA PRICE
REMARKS	2 MINUTES
SELECTION	SHARONDA LANG
EULOGY	REV. DARRYL HILLIARD SR.
FINAL VIEWING	FAMILY & FRIENDS
BENEDICTION	REV DARRYL HILLIARD SR.
COMMITAL ON PLAZA	REV. DARRYL HILLIARD SR.

*The mountain summits beyond the glorious sky,  
he has gone to a country in the light of God most high.*

WITH LOVE, THE FAMILY

## Journey of Life

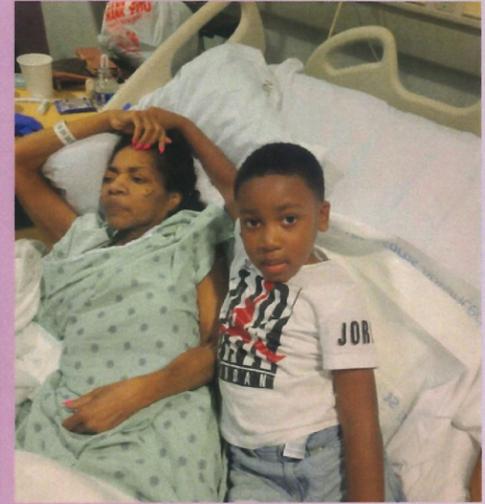
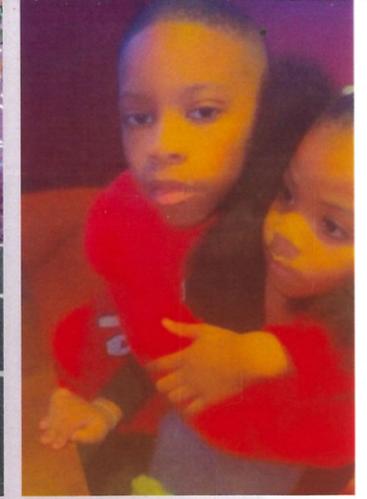
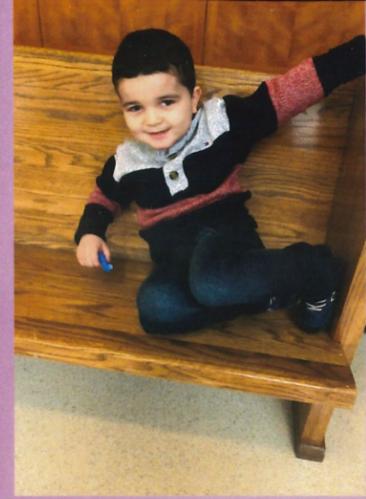
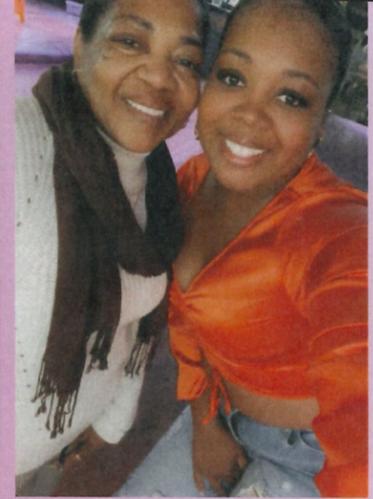
Dalene Aronett Holmes daughter of Louise Stewart- Thomas and the late Lyton Lawrence Holmes, was born on July 29, 1958 in Baltimore, Maryland. On June 11, 2023 at 7:50am God called his faithful daughter home to be with him. Dalene was affectionately known by her family as "Shorty", who was the oldest of six children. Dalene received her education in the Baltimore City Public School system.

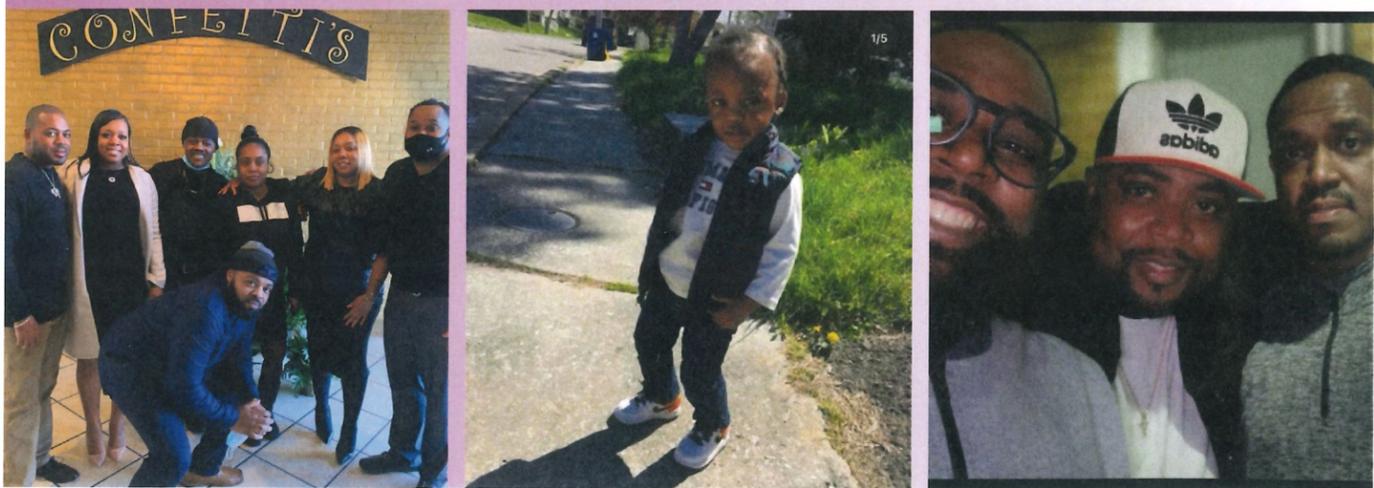
Throughout Dalene's life she held many jobs in which she was a Cook at BWI Airport in which she held for 11 years until the Lord called her home. Dalene enjoyed many activities including being around family, friend, neighbors, coworkers and a host of others. Dalene loved eating crabs, going to cookouts, giving bus trips, going to the parks, and going to the Nail Shop (Nina's Nails) to see her friends as she would say. Dalene made numerous of friends wherever she went, and she will be sincerely missed.

*She was a loving daughter, sister mother, aunt and Friend.*

Dalene leaves to celebrate a well-lived life and cherish her memory, her mother Louise, father of her six children Gregory Brown Sr. Six children Lakisha, Latoya, Greg Jr. (Tina Darby-Brown), Lisa, Lasheena and Darrin Brown. Four siblings Anthony, Karen, Wayne, Mike and Marinda proceeded her in death. Eleven grandchildren Tanisha, Shadae, Chauntia, Cha'Najah, Leah, Jaylen, Jeryl, Makai, Darrin Jr, Daniel, Aiden and Baby Darien proceeded her in death Six great-grandchildren Kash, Khari, Khamari, Marlee, Kali, and Messiah. A host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and devoted friends. Dalene was also proceeded in death by her Stepfather George Thomas, Aunts Helen, Barbra, and Delores.

*Dalene was loved by many.*





# Reflections

NEVER FORGOTTEN  
 WE THINK OF THINGS YOU USED TO SAY  
 AND ALL THAT YOU WOULD DO .  
 AT SOME POINT, EVERY SINGLE DAY,  
 OUR THOUGHTS WILL TURN TO YOU.  
 TO LOSE YOU WAS A BITTER WRENCH,  
 THE PAIN CUT TO OUR CORE.  
 WE CRIED UNTIL OUR TEARS RAN OUT  
 AND THEN WE CRIED SOME MORE.  
 THIS WOULDN'T BE YOUR WISH FOR US  
 THAT WE'D BE FOREVER SAD  
 SO WE TRY TO REMIND OURSELF OF THE HAPPY TIMES WE HAD.  
 WE KNOW WE CAN'T BE WITH YOU NOW  
 AND YOU CAN'T BE WITH US  
 BUT SAFE INSIDE OUR HEART YOU'LL STAY,  
 THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL ALWAYS BE .  
 YOUR LOVING SONS  
 GREG JR & DARRIN

TOMORROW IS NOT PROMISED TO ANYONE, AND I KNOW I'M NOT  
 SUPPOSED TO QUESTION GOD'S WORK BUT GOD WHY JUNE 11TH WAS  
 HER LAST TOMORROW? GOD YOU SAID YOU'LL NEVER GIVE ME MORE  
 THAN I COULD HANDLE, SO GOD PLEASE SHOW ME THE STRENGTH THAT  
 YOU SEE IN ME BECAUSE I JUST CAN'T SEE IT. MA-MA, YOU ARE THE  
 MISSING PIECE TO MY LIFE'S PUZZLE. LOOSING YOU IS LIKE A DAY WITH  
 NO SUN, A NIGHT WITH NO MOON.  
 MANY QUESTIONS WITH GOD BEING THE ONLY ONE WITH ANSWERS. GOD  
 EASE THIS PAIN, THIS HURT, THIS DISBELIEF. THAT I'LL NEVER SEE NOR  
 TOUCH.

NO MORE GOOD MORNING OR GOOD NIGHT TEXT. IF THERE IS A  
 STRENGTH UNSEEN IN ME , GOD I ASK YOU TO PLEASE REVEAL IT.  
 GOD I'M SORRY FOR BEING SELFISH. I KNOW IF YOU TOOK HER THEN IT  
 WAS BECAUSE YOU NEEDED HER WAY MORE THAN WE DID.  
 GOD THANK YOU FOR THE TIME THAT YOU GAVE ME WITH HER. I PRAY MY  
 LOVING MEMORIES OF YOU LAST FOREVER. I PRAY I HAVE EARS TO HEAR  
 YOUR VOICE, YOUR LAUGH, YOUR LOVE  
 GOD I THANK YOU FOR LETTING HER WATCH ME GROW INTO THE PERSON  
 THAT I AM TODAY.

GOD I JUST WANNA THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME A GRANDMOTHER THAT  
 LOVED ME UNCONDITIONAL, THROUGH ALL MY FLAWS.  
 MA-MA, I HOPE I MADE YOU PROUD.  
 UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN MA-MA  
 LOVE ALWAYS YOUR LEAH-LEAH

WE LOST A MOTHER WITH A HEART OF GOLD:  
 HOW MUCH WE MISS HER CAN NEVER BE TOLD,  
 SHE SHARED OUR TROUBLES AND HELPED US ALONG;  
 IF WE FOLLOW IN HER FOOTSTEPS  
 WE WILL NEVER GO WRONG.  
 SHE WAS A MOTHER SO VERY RARE,  
 CONTENT IN HER HOME AND ALWAYS THERE.  
 ON EARTH, SHE TOILED; IN HEAVEN, SHE RESTS:  
 GOD BLESS YOU MOTHER,  
 YOU WERE ONE OF THE BEST.  
 WE MISS YOU FROM YOUR FIRESIDE CHAIR,  
 YOUR LOVING SMILE AND GENTLE AIR,  
 YOUR VACANT PLACE NO-ONE CAN FILL:  
 WE MISS YOU MOTHER AND ALWAYS WILL.  
 EACH TIME WE LOOK AT YOUR PICTURE  
 YOU SEEM TO SMILE AND SAY,  
 "DON'T BE SAD, BUT COURAGE TAKE,  
 AND LOVE EACH OTHER FOR MY SAKE."  
 OUR LOVING THOUGHTS OF YOU, DEAR MOTHER  
 END NOT IN MEMORIES THAT PASS;  
 ON MARY'S BEADS WE PLEAD YOUR NEEDS  
 AND IN THE HOLY MASS,  
 YOUR LOVING DAUGHTERS  
 KISHA, TOYA, LISA & SHEENA

WE LITTLE KNEW THAT DAY, GOD WAS GOING TO  
 CALL YOUR NAME. IN LIFE WE LOVED YOU  
 DEARLY, IN DEATH, WE DO THE SAME.  
 IT BROKE OUR HEARTS TO LOSE YOU. YOU DID  
 NOT GO ALONE. FOR PART OF US WENT WITH  
 YOU, THE DAY GOD CALLED YOU HOME.  
 YOU LEFT US BEAUTIFUL MEMORIES, YOUR LOVE  
 IS STILL OUR GUIDE. AND ALTHOUGH WE CANNOT  
 SEE YOU, YOU ARE ALWAYS AT OUR SIDE.  
 OUR FAMILY CHAIN IS BROKEN, AND NOTHING  
 SEEMS THE SAME, BUT AS GOD CALLS US ONE  
 BY ONE, THE CHAIN WILL LINK AGAIN  
 YOUR LOVING SIBLINGS  
 MELISSA ,ANTHONY, WAYNE & MIKE



HEY MA

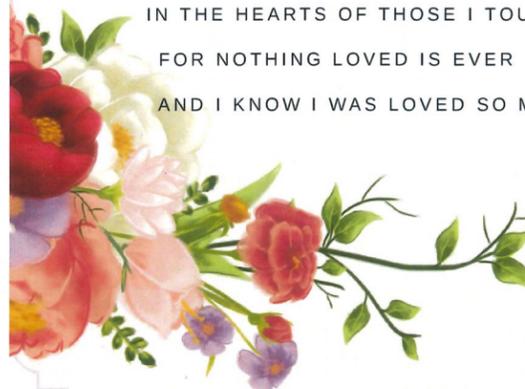
WYD? YOU KNOW I MISS YOU RIGHT? TODAY  
MAKES 15 DAYS I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU, OR ME  
CALLING ASKING WYD AND YOU SAYING "OH I  
DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE OFF TODAY, YOU GOING  
TO COME TAKE ME TO THE STORE? I'M HUNGRY  
TOO". MA YOU ARE MY BESTFRIEND. I ASKED "  
GOD DO HEAVEN HAVE FLOWERS?" AND IF SO YOU  
PICK A BUNCH FOR ME AND PLACE THEM IN MY  
MOTHERS ARMS, AND TELL HER THERE FROM ME.

MA I'LL SEE YOU AGAIN AND WHEN I DO I'M  
SHOWERING ALL MY LOVE ONTO YOU , BECAUSE  
ALL THOSE PHONE CALLS , BIG HUGS? AND KISSES  
ARE WELL OVER DUE.

LOVE YOUR BABYGIRL  
SHEENA

WE HAD A WONDERFUL GRANDMOTHER  
ONE WHO NEVER REALLY GREW OLD  
HER SMILE WAS MADE OF SUNSHINE  
AND HER HEART WAS SOLID GOLD  
HER EYES WERE BRIGHT AS SHINING STARS  
AND IN HER CHEEKS FAIR ROSES YOU SEE.  
WE HAD A WONDERFUL GRANDMOTHER,  
AND THAT'S THE WAY IT WILL ALWAYS BE.  
BUT TAKE HEED, BECAUSE  
SHE'S STILL KEEPING AN EYE ON ALL OF US,  
SO LET'S MAKE SURE  
SHE WILL LIKE WHAT SHE SEES.  
YOUR LOVING GRANDCHILDREN

DON'T THINK OF ME AS GONE AWAY  
MY JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN  
LIFE HOLDS SO MANY FACETS  
THIS EARTH IS BUT ONE  
JUST THINK OF ME AS RESTING  
FROM THE SORROWS AND THE TEARS  
IN A PLACE OF WARMTH AND COMFORT  
WHERE THERE ARE NO DAYS AND YEARS  
THINK OF HOW I MUST BE WISHING  
THAT YOU COULD KNOW TODAY  
HOW NOTHING BUT YOUR SADNESS  
CAN REALLY GO AWAY  
AND THINK OF ME AS LIVING  
IN THE HEARTS OF THOSE I TOUCHED  
FOR NOTHING LOVED IS EVER LOST  
AND I KNOW I WAS LOVED SO MUCH



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