Order
OF SERVICE

Officiating Minister ..... Pastor Darrian A. Brown, Sr.
Rome Emmanuel Baptist Church

Organ Prelude ..... Organist

Processional ..... Clergy and Family

Hymn of Comfort ..... What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Scripture

Old Testament - Ecclesiastics 3: 1-8 ..... Sister Debra Hale
New Testament - John 14:1-7 ..... Minister Tanya Robinson

Prayer of Comfort ..... Evangelist Donna M. Stancil-Griffin (Sister-in-law)

Selection ..... Ronald Griffin (Brother)
April Jackson (Niece)

Remarks ..... Daphne McClary
Bonnie Breese-Bentum
Ronald H. McCray, Jr. (Nephew)

Final Remarks ..... Marshall Griffin, Jr.

Acknowledgement of Cards and Resolutions ..... Tracey Calhoun (Cousin)

Solo ..... Suzann Christine

Obituary ..... Tracey Calhoun

Solo ..... Suzann Christine

Eulogy ..... Pastor Darrian A. Brown, Sr.

Final Viewing ..... Family

Recessional



Pallbearers

Raheen Bey
Preston Griffin
Alvin Johnson Jr.
Jamar Griffin Jr.
Isaiah Griffin
Kari Griffin

Our Sister

We cried when you passed away,
We still cry today
You also never said I'm leaving, you never said goodbye
Although, we loved you dearly we couldn't make you stay,
you were gone before we knew it
And only God knew why
Your golden heart stopped beating, hard working at rest
God broke our hearts to prove he only takes the best
A million times we needed you, a million times we cried
If love alone could have saved you, you never would have died
If life we love you so dearly, in death we love you still
It breaks our hearts that you were taken so unexpectedly but it was God's will
You hold a place in our hearts that no one could ever fill,
your memory will never leave us and that is for sure
Your love will stay with us forever more
Although we will miss you, you're in a better place
You fought a good fight and won the race
We love you our beloved sister Crystal!

Acknowledgments

The family would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere appreciation for the many kind expressions of sympathy, words of comfort, and prayers during our time of bereavement. May God forever bless and keep each of you in His tender loving care.

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Viewing: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

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Life Story

OBITUARY
LET ME BE THE ONE TO TELL YOU MY STORY



My Name is Crystal Eliza Griffin-Melton and I was born in Phila., PA to my phenomenal parents, the late Pastor Marshall E. Griffin, Sr. and the late Edith Mae Griffin on December 27, 1961.

I know my time here was short, but I had to go. My wings were waiting for me so that I can go to be with my Heavenly Father on Saturday, March 26, 2022. I'm sorry I did not warn you all.

When I was with you, I received my education with the Philadelphia School District with my last school attended being Olney High School. I also attended Dorothea Blane Business School.

I joined Faith Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Dr. Perry Evans. I sang on the Inspirational Choir.

I worked at numerous jobs consisting of Isis Mini Market, Cigna Insurance Company, and various nursing homes.

My passion is cooking. I also catered at my brother's place of employment. My favorite foods to prepare are potato salad, collard greens, and banana pudding. I also enjoy babysitting my nieces and nephews. I love shopping on Amazon.

Everyone was always amazed at how I remembered everyone's birthday. I so looked forward to sharing my emotions to each and everyone with joy from the bottom of my heart.

As you all know, I have one daughter, Shakeia Griffin, that I am very proud of and we have a very loving relationship.

On December 18, 2021, I was united in Holy Matrimony to the love of my life, Edward Melton.

The time of my departure has come. Henceforth, laid upon for me is my crown of life which the Lord promised to me because of his love for me by Jesus Christ.

Now I am reunited with my family who preceded me in death my grandmother Eliza Griffin, my father Pastor Marshall Griffin, Sr., my mother Edith Griffin, my sister Marcella McCray, my great niece Miracle Warren, and my grandson Gerald Edward McClinton.



I will be sure to watch over all of whom I have left physically: my husband Edward Melton, my daughter Shakeia Griffin; my siblings Marshall Jr. (Ellen), Ronald (Donna), Linda, Darlene (Alvin Sr.); my nephews Ronald McCray Jr. (Renee), Jamar Griffin (Kenisha), Preston Griffin, Raheem Bey Jr., Ronnie Griffin Jr, Andrew Griffin, Alvin Johnson Jr., and Kari Griffin; my nieces Alexis Mitchell (Wesley), April Jackson (Richard), and LaCaya Johnson; my Goddaughter Bridgette Breese; and my special friends Daphne McClary and Bonnie Breese-Bentum.

Sorrowfully Submitted, The Family

To My Mother

I know it's time to let you go,
But here's something that you should know.
Through all this time that I needed to grow, you came at the time
where I needed to know
The moment that you died, my heart was torn in two
One side filled with heartache, the other died with you.
I often lie awake at night when the world is fast asleep
And take a walk down memory lane with tears upon my cheeks
Remembering you is easy, I do it everyday
But missing you is heartache that never goes away
I hold you tightly within my heart and there you will remain
Until the joyous day arrives that we will meet again
So I thought of you
With love today but that is nothing new
I thought about you yesterday and the day before that too
My only regret is that if I had known the last time I saw you,
I would have hugged you a little tighter and
stayed by your side a little longer
But just know, Mom, I'll be just fine and everyday
I grow a bit stronger
I'll keep you in my heart, and prayer on
my mind in order to remain faithful.
Know that you did an amazing job with me
and for that I'm forever grateful.

Love, Shakeia