



Aleatha Brown Smith

August 19, 1940 - March 16, 2017

Our beloved, Aleatha Brown Smith, was born in Richmond, Virginia on August 19, 1940 to the late Georgia L. and John William Brown. She departed this life on Thursday , March 16, 2017 after a long period of illness. Aleatha is preceded in death by her two brothers, Burley Brown and Carroll Brown Sr; along with her sister Gloria Brown Brewer and her brother in law John Brewer.

Sister as she was, affectionally called graduated from Armstrong High School in 1964. She attended Virginia State University for two years. She was employed as an Accounting Specialist for twenty years with VA Commonwealth University prior to her health failing. She was baptized at an early age at the Gethsemane Baptist Church in King William, VA. Later, she moved her membership to the Second Baptist Church, Richmond, VA.

Aleatha loved to dance. She was a dancer on Channel 12 in the mid 70's. She and Leroy, (her partner in life) would "Cut the rug back in the day" ! Sister enjoyed traveling and having a good time. She would "shop until you drop". When her legs begin to fail, she started shopping on-line and through QVC network. Sister was also an excellent cook. She was well known for her chilli and lemon tarts. She was a mother to many and a manager of all things. She took care of

her home in the midst of her illness, paying bills, counseling people, doing taxes for family and friends, and enjoying life with a jovial personality. She was a stern mother, "she said what she meant and she meant what she said", nevertheless she loved Chin and Tony.

Aleatha "Sister" leaves to mourn her two sons: Julius III aka Chin (Rose), and Antonio Smith; One granddaughter, Nakia; Life Partner (Caregiver) Leroy M. Lewis; One sister-in-law: Jacqueline Brown; One Niece: Lafon (Hannibal) Brown Tuck; One Nephew: Derrick (Dana) Brown. A host of other cousins, relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 23. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel
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Family Hour

MAR 23. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR 24. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Aleatha Brown Smith*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *We at U1st Transportation give our support and gratitude to the family with your loss. Greatness will always be remembered. As your life continues, quotes and phrases will be said and done that will give the strength to move forward. She will live through all who've been touched.*

Kelvin - March 24, 2017 at 10:08 AM



“ *Dear Aleatha, your journey on this earth has been completed. No more suffering, no more pain, and no more waiting. The Lord has called you home where He is waiting to greet you with open arms. Our prayers are with the family in this time With love Don and Dr. Maria Harris*

Maria Harris - March 23, 2017 at 03:59 PM

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“ *To The Family,
May it comfort you to know that, your loved one is safe in God's care now, and that friends are praying for you in your time of sorrow...Life brings tears, smiles, and memories. The tears dry, the smile fades, but the memories live on forever. With heartfelt sympathy, -*

*The Tucker Family
Sonja, Ernest & Children
Olde Colony Estates (neighbors)*

Sonja Morgan Tucker - March 22, 2017 at 01:54 PM

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“ *Chin, Fon, Derrick and Family,*

We would like to extend our sincere condolences to you during this most difficult time. Please know that if you need anything we are here for you. May God's love comfort you always.

Love,

Aunt Mary Brown, Robin and Trey

Robin Brown - March 21, 2017 at 08:02 PM

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“ *To the Family:
Our hearts and thoughts are with you during this time of grieving. Please know that you are not alone in remembering a truly wonderful person as Aleatha. We find comfort in knowing that her spirit will live on through those she has left behind.*

Elizabeth Coleman Reynolds & Family

Elizabeth Coleman Reynolds - March 21, 2017 at 05:33 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - March 20, 2017 at 03:09 PM