



Debra Lynne Shannon

May 30, 1962 - April 5, 2014

Debra Lynne Shannon, affectionately known as Debbie, was born May 30, 1962 in Baltimore, Maryland. She was the second child who blessed the lives of her parents, James and Cardrienne Griffin. Debbie grew up in Fairmount Park in West Baltimore and was educated in the Baltimore Public School System where she attended Edgewood Elementary, Rock Glen Middle and Western High School. Debbie graduated from Virginia State University in 1984 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing and Public Administration and in 1990 from Morgan State University with a Master's of Business Administration.

While at Virginia State University, Debbie was invited (in the spring of 1982) to become a member of the Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Debbie's mother and sisters were all members of the same chapter. Locally, Debbie was an active member of the Rho Xi Omega Chapter where she served faithfully. In 2013, she was elected philactor (Keeper of the Door). Debbie served on several other committees including the Social Action Committee. In her youth Debbie was christened at Bethel A.M.E. Church and worshipped among a proud family lineage including grandparents, parents and siblings. In recent years Debbie joined Empowerment Temple where she actively worshipped with her immediate family.

Debbie married the love of her life, Dean Shannon, on November 19, 1994. They have two children, Jada and Jamal, whom she cherished. Debbie attended all of their school and extra-curricular activities, always supporting

them as their #1 cheerleader and fan. Debbie had an impeccable work ethic and was an extremely dedicated employee for CMS (Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services) working as an Insurance Specialist. The commitment to her profession was enhanced in many ways. Debbie was a gifted individual who was very detailed and organized.

Debbie was active on many boards including the Woodbridge Valley Community Association, the Carver Foundation and The Parent-Teacher Association of Carver Vocational-Technical High School. Debbie also had many close friends whom she cared for greatly and they all loved her dearly. She was also like an adopted mom to so many children and her nieces and nephews. She was a part of small groups of girlfriends including the JETTS, the BITTS, the Fabulous 40. Debbie was also a member of the Golden Girls Club (from Virginia State University).

Debbie entered into eternal rest on Saturday, April 5, 2014, surrounded by her loving family after succumbing to her hard fought battle with breast cancer. Through all the treatments, doctors' appointments and pain, Debbie never complained. Through it all, she was BRAVE. So many lives have been touched by Debbie's loving spirit. To know Debra Lynne Shannon is to love her. Debbie will always live in our hearts.

Debbie is survived by her husband, Dean; son, Jamal; daughter, Jada; parents, James and Cardrienne Griffin; sisters, Cheryl (Jay, Sr.) Threatt and Jewel Linzey; brother, Malcolm Griffin; nieces, Jasmine, Dominique and Coral; nephews Jay Jr., Jarvis and Sean; brother-in-laws, Craig, Darryl(Susan), Gregory Shannon and Zane (Kimberly) Hubbard; mother-in-law, Elizabeth Frances Johnson, godfather, Charles Robinson and her godchildren, Shantia Dixon, Logan Nelson, and Shawna Brown. Debbie also leaves to mourn many devoted cousins, uncles, aunts, sorors and loyal friends

Cemetery Details

Arbutus Memorial Park Cemetery

1101 Sulphur Spring Road
Baltimore, MD 21227

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 11. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
info@marchfh.com

Family Hour

APR 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
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Service

APR 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church
1300 Druid Hill Avenue
Balto., MD 21217

Wake

APR 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Church
1300 Druid Hill Avenue
Balto., MD 21217

Tribute Wall



“ *Debra Lynne Shannon*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Your loved one will always be remembered. Although a light has gone out in your world, the spirit of your loved one will live forever in your memories and in your heart. Wishing you strength now and in the days to come.*

*Greg, Toni, Lisa & Shirley Marshall
Lynchburg, Va*

Greg, Toni, Lisa, and Shirley Marshall - April 17, 2014 at 09:14 PM



“ *Michelle Howard And Family lit a candle in memory of Debra Lynne Shannon*

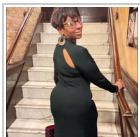


Michelle Howard and Family - April 14, 2014 at 08:50 AM

MS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 5yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!

Ms Springer - April 14, 2014 at 07:10 AM



“ With deepest condolences to the Griffin family. Debbie's light will forever shine through her children.

Rest in peace!
Marlolessa Marshall-Brown & family
James Marshall



Lessa Marshall-Brown - April 13, 2014 at 01:51 PM

CW

“ Cassandra Johnson Williams lit a candle in memory of Debra Lynne Shannon



Cassandra Johnson Williams - April 12, 2014 at 09:39 PM

KM

“ The McKoy Family

Kenny McKoy - April 12, 2014 at 11:41 AM

HP

“ *Jada and family we send sincere condolences and will keep you all in our prayers during this difficult time. We will remember her bright smile.*

*Helen Perry and Joyce Richey.
Baltimore Dance Tech*



helen perry - April 11, 2014 at 10:15 PM

CN

“ *Crissy Brown Nash lit a candle in memory of Debra Lynne Shannon*



Crissy Brown Nash - April 11, 2014 at 07:47 PM

CN

My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this very difficult time. My heart is hurting but I am thankful for the many wonderful memories of my dear friend.

Crissy Brown Nash - April 11, 2014 at 07:52 PM

TH

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tanisha Hithe - April 11, 2014 at 03:34 PM

SH

“ Stephen And Tanisha Hithe lit a candle in memory of Debra Lynne Shannon



Stephen and Tanisha Hithe - April 11, 2014 at 03:32 PM

TM

“ The the family of Debra Shannon;
Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal. God will give you peace in your time of need and I pray the memories of Debbie will bring you joy and courage. I'm glad I had the chance to know and work with Debbie. I will always remember her.

*Her friend & coworker (CMS)
Tressa Mundell*

Tressa Mundell - April 11, 2014 at 01:14 PM

RW

“ Rosalind Williams lit a candle in memory of Debra Lynne Shannon



Rosalind Williams - April 11, 2014 at 12:58 PM

DB

“ *Denise Battle lit a candle in memory of Debra Lynne Shannon*



Denise Battle - April 11, 2014 at 12:24 PM

DB

“ *You have my deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. May the comfort of GOD embrace you!*

Denise Battle and Family

Denise Battle - April 11, 2014 at 12:23 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Debra Lynne Shannon.*



April 10, 2014 at 11:44 AM



“ *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 - April 08, 2014 at 03:21 PM