



## Iris Olayinka Osibogun

January 6, 1948 - October 10, 2003

She was born on January 6, 1948 at the Mercy Hospital in Lagos, Nigeria at 4:00 a.m. In 1950, at the tender age of one year and seven months, she accompanied her parents to the United Kingdom and in 1951 she moved again with her parents to San Francisco, California in the U.S. where she started her education. She returned to Nigeria with her parents in October 1955 and attended St. Mary's Catholic School in Lagos for two years before moving to Ibadan with her parents. In Ibadan, she attended the elite Maryhill Convent School from where she gained admission to St. Bernadine's School, Oyo for her secondary education in 1963. In 1965, she transferred to St. Louis Girls Grammar School in Ibadan where she completed her secondary school education with flying colors. Yinka attended Ibadan Polytechnic from where she obtained a diploma in Secretarial and Business Management. She worked briefly as a confidential secretary at the High Court in Ibadan. Thereafter, she left for the UK to attend the prestigious St. Godrics College in Hampstead. It was here that her love for fashion and modeling came to the fore and this took her away in later life from her secretarial profession. Yinka was tall, pretty fashionable and had a perfect figure for modeling; hence many modeling firms in UK approached her in the late 60's. However, at that period in the UK, the color of her skin became an issue. Her parents recalled her to Nigeria and she immediately secured a job with the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) in Ibadan. Yinka, as usual, proved her mettle and was promptly seconded to Rome. It was during one of her trips to Nigeria that she

ran into her high school boyfriend, Dapo Adegoke. One thing led to the other and in June 1973, they got married. In August 1973 they both left Nigeria for the US where Dapo was based. In May 1974, the union was blessed with a baby boy, Adetokunbo. Yinka, Dapo and young Tokunbo returned to Nigeria in 1982. They settled in Ibadan where Yinka immediately established her fashion design outfit named NOSTALGIA. In 1985, she moved to Lagos to take care of her expanding business. Yinka was a trailblazer. It is on record that she was the first fashion designer to start and hold a regular weekly column in one of Nigeria's leading newspaper, Vanguard, for many years. The column touched on fashion, beauty and their cultural linkages. Many fashion students were trained by her and of course, she had a good number of very satisfied clientele over the years. IRIS OLAYINKA ABIODUN ADEGOKE (nee OSIBOGUN) passed to glory in her sleep on Friday, October 10, 2003 after a protracted illness. Yinka was a lady in the true sense of the word. Elegant, tall and most unassuming. Never could hurt a fly. She was caring, loving, and loved by all. Her husband, son, Tokunbo, sisters and brother and aged parents survives her. YINKA, YOU BORE YOUR CROSS WITH COURAGE, STRENGTH AND HOPE. MAY YOU FIND FAVOR WITH YOUR CREATOR. PEACE, PERFECT PEACE

# Tribute Wall



“ *Iris Olayinka Osibogun*

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Iris Olayinka Osibogun*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. Our family finds much comfort from the Bible. Here is a passage that has special meaning for us: John 5:28,29- "The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life." May this give you as much comfort as it has us.##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##*

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“ *To the family of Iris Osibogun The death of one we love so dearly is one of the most overwhelming of trials we can ever face. But there is no trial that we cannot find comfort from by turning to God's word the Bible. Please find comfort in the scripture at John 5:28,29.##imported-begin##Amanda Miles##imported-end##*

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“ To the family of Iris O. Osibogun, my deepest condolences on the death of your loved one. The bible is full of words of comfort. At Isaiah 25:8, it assures us that God will soon bring a permanent end to death. This is a sure promise for at Hebrews 6:18, it tells us that it is impossible for God to lie. May you along with your family find comfort in these scriptures.##imported-begin##Albert Washington##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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