



Norvie Alfreda Emanuel

June 4, 1947 - June 27, 2015

Norvie Alfreda Emanuel, beloved daughter of the late Catherine Hogan Smith and Joshua Lloyd Smith, was presented as a gift from God on June 4, 1947. She was called to eternal rest on Saturday, June 27, 2015.

Norvie refused to allow anything to slow her down. Her spirit was always upbeat. Laughter was her best medicine. Her favorite saying was, "I'm still kicking, just not quite as high." She was an avid reader, (Stephen King was her favorite author), strongly opinionated, and a determined debater.

Norvie was educated in the Baltimore City Public School System. While attending Frederick Douglas High School, she was a swimmer, ran track and was a member of the Debate team. She attended Coppin State College, majoring in Nursing. She retired from the Maryland Department of the Environment in 2007. Norvie became Sister Norvie X when she converted to the Nation of Islam. She was a member of Muhammad's Temple #6 in Baltimore, Maryland where she met and married Brother Bernard X.

Norvie had four beloved children that preceded her in death. Her spirit now joins theirs, as it returns to Allah. They are: Ron Epps, Yassin Emanuel, Durri K. Emanuel, and Jaimee E. Perry. Norvie was also predeceased by her special love and friend, James Perry.

Norvie leaves so many to cherish her memory: her beloved partner of 25 years Quill J. Rich; her beloved children: Nuyen Emanuel, Shondia M. Emanuel, Joshua Perry and his wife Yasmene and her special daughter Tori Diamond; her only sibling and dear sister Carla Graham; her uncle, Charles Vann, nephews Roderick, Charles, Rufus and Sean, nieces: Denice, Patricia, Dawn, Kalilah and Mia (who also preceded her in death); her precious grandchildren: Maisha, Shondia, Kalimah, Aliya, Rodriguez, Yasmin, Hassan, Nadiyah, Kamilah, Tariq, Amira, Aliyah, Imani; and her treasured great-grandchildren: Mahneera, Noah, and Saeedah. Sister Norvie had a big heart and was the adopted mother of many. She referred to them as her "children-in-love". They include James Mack, Akbar Muhammad, Mikal Muhammad/Montana/ Mikal Jr, Mustafa & Nasir Muhammad, Malika & Majida Sharieff-Muhammad, Ahmed, Tauheeda, Safiyyah, & Isaiah Collick and Tiffanie Caine-Williams.

Norvie will always be remembered by The Believers of Muhammad's Temple of Islam #1, especially by her friend and sister in faith, Sis Rashida Muhammad. Space does not permit the listing of the countless other members, friends, neighbors, former co-workers, and acquaintances who have shared in the life and love of Sister Norvie.

Tribute Wall



“ *Norvie Alfreda Emanuel*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *She was my cousin on my father's side; she's named after my grandmother, we never called her Norvie tho, she was "Coochy" to me. She used to come to Jersey to pick me up so i could spend the summer at her home in the Park Heights section of Baltimore. She was a hard worker, and very family oriented. She was also one of the most resilient people I've ever known. Most people wouldn't be able to recover from losing 4 of 7 children; but not Norv- she didn't let it break her. I remember those summers very fondly; because of her I visited a Mosque for the first time, ate a bean pie, and rode in a convertible. Thanks for the memories Cousin. I love you*

Jade Simms - October 05, 2022 at 04:08 AM



*Norvie was a very disciplined young lady all the way back to junior high school when I first met her. She was very attractive but not conceited. She was intelligent and very loving of her friends and family. There was always a love between us that was unspoken and unrequited. We just loved each other as friends. Norvie was a very special person and just about everyone knew it. There were only a small circle of friends that knew exactly how special she was. She had a tremendous capacity for love. Norvie had no problem letting people know how she felt about aby and everything.
I am going to miss her very, very much.*

Ronald Haste, Sr. - July 26, 2023 at 10:07 PM

DA

“ *Dan lit a candle in memory of Norvie Alfreda Emanuel*



Dan - July 24, 2016 at 03:14 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 - August 02, 2015 at 09:57 AM