



Shontell Lenae Fowlkes

July 9, 1977 - February 9, 2004

Shontell Lenae Fowlkes, daughter of Gloria Butler and the late Milton E. Butler and Timothy A. Fowlkes, was born on July 9, 1977. She quietly departed this life on February 9, 2004, to dwell in the house of the Lord, our Savior. Shontell was educated in the Baltimore City school system and was attending her third year of college at Sojourner Douglass. She was employed at Herring Run Head Start; where she taught pre-kindergarten. Shontell loved teaching, and she loved her students. Although she has only one child of her own, her students were like her children, as well. Shontell was a fun-loving person, always there to lend a helping hand. She and her mother loved to shop and did almost everything together. Her son, Malek, was her pride and joy. They loved each other very much. She took pleasure in making sure that Malek had everything he wanted. He was so important in her life. They loved to watch videos and DVD's together. Everyone who had the opportunity to be acquainted with Shontell was touched or moved by her loving spirit. She leaves to treasure her memory: her son, Malek Ringo; her mother, Gloria Butler; two grandmothers, Dorothy Ashe and Agnes Fowlkes; three brothers, Tyrell, Eric and Milton Butler, Jr.; two sisters, Shalaya and Monica Butler; a godmother, Regina Sanders; three aunts, Joyce Ashe, Roxanne and Christine Fowlkes; two uncles, Melvin Ashe and Kevin Fowlkes; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ *Shontell Lenae Fowlkes*

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Shontell Lenae Fowlkes*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Sweetheart I still continue to visit your site from time to time to read your messages. Denise and Rhonda may God continue to bless you both for your continued support along the way. I know it's been a very long time. We are all doing well, Malek and I. We still struggle some days. I guess my pain will never go away until I see my baby again. Thank everyone for your prayers, your thoughts and your love. It has meant so much to me. You all are family and Malek and I are so blessed that God put all of you in our lives.*

mom - July 11, 2016 at 09:38 PM



“ *Hello, Ms. Butler and Malik. I imagine you still come here to see if people are still writing. I hope things are well with you and your family. Malik must be a big boy now. I want you to know I still think of you and even talk about you from time to time. You have impacted my life forever and I won't forget you. Even if I haven't written, you're in my thoughts and prayers. I hope to chat with you soon. Take care.*

D. Dukes - August 01, 2012 at 07:35 PM

DD

“ Hello Ms. Butler and Malik. It has been such a long time since I've come here to write, but I have been thinking about you often and keeping you in my prayers still. I pray that you and your family are doing well and that time has helped ease your pain. I've been keeping busy with raising my grandson and helping with my granddaughters after losing my daughter a little over two years ago. I looked back over some of your entries to your daughter and it still amazes me to feel the love you have for her. Hopefully you're able to come back from time to time to check and see who has submitted an entry. If you get a chance to read this, please email me back. I miss you guys and know that I am still with you.

Denise

Denise D - September 17, 2010 at 12:31 PM



“ Happy Birthday Sweetheart!! Today you would have been 27. While we truly miss you, you are still right here at heart. We are having a big celebration in your honor. Just like you always have to show just how much we love you!! Sweet Dreams. Love you mom!!!##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ Your birthday party was a success. So many people was there, wearing your t-shirt and showing you all of their love. Sweet dreams my baby!!! When we did your 27 balloon salute, one balloon would not float. It stayed in the crowd with us! I know it was your spirit, everyone was amazed. Then you suddenly realized that you could not stay and you slowly drifted into the sky and flew in another direction from the other balloons. Everybody is still talking about it. I just wished I had video taped the party and I would have had it on tape. I love you Shontell!!!! Mom.##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweet Heart we still continue with the quiet hours. Folks have moved on and it's all a memory now. But baby, you are fresh in my mine as yesterday. I hold you so close and dear. I told you I find peace coming to this site and I will continue to write and visit until I can't no more. I MISS YOU SO MUCH!!! Love you like yesterday, Mom....##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Butler I really hope that your heart will heal because I can feel the hurt from your writing. Think of the good times and hold them close to your heart. I write to check in on you and I do hope you will be o.k. Just take care of her son and thats probably the best thing you can do to make her rest in peace. GOD BLESS YOU.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Well, baby I guess the quiet hours have begun. Not too many folks write anymore, but sweetie "Momma is here". I miss you so terribly especially since the weather has gotten warm. We did so many things together in the warm weather. I think of your classroom with school closing. Your "kids". I wanted to get a picture of your classroom before the year was up but I didn't get around to it. Everybody still tells me how much they miss you, many folks everytime they talk about it their eyes fill up with tears. Honey, you were so well loved and I am so proud of you for that. "You made a difference". I dreamt about you the other night, it all seem so real. Some days are still very hard for me, I don't even want to get out of bed. But I know you would not want me to be unhappy. But the old folks say "You don't grieve unless you love somebody" and "I loved you!!! Sweet dreams.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO THE FAMILY OF SHONTELL FOWLKES ITS ALWAYS HARD TO LOSS A LOVED ONE AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE OR ANY AGE FOR THAT MATTER BUT, IN GODS WORD THE BIBLE IT GIVES US SOME COMFORT IN REVELATION 21:3,4 IT HELPS US TO APPRECIATE THAT GOD IS WIPE ALL PAIN AND ALL TEARS AND DEATH AWAY.I HOPE THIS HAS GIVEN YOU SOME COMFORT.##imported-begin##JENELLE GREEN##imported-end##

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“ Mom, please continue to write here as often as you need to. Your letters to your beautiful daughter, whom I wish I had known, are so beautiful. I have a very sick sister right now, and the thought of her leaving is terrifying. I don't know if my mother will ever be able to recover if and when she passes. But Glory to God, the revelation with the one balloon that remained at Shontell's party rejuvenated my spirit. It was a definite sign that her spirit and presence is near. I'll have to remember that. I love you, even though I don't know you, and pray that God continues to order your steps.##imported-begin##A Friend##imported-end##

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“ Shontell, yesterday was Malek's 1st day of school and it was a joy as well as hard. His classroom is near the one that you taught and I know that you are watching. All the teachers were glad to see him and had just said a prayer for the year including your name and we both walked in the door. What a surprise!!! As you know it was hard and I cried once I got out the door. The memories of you were like yesterday and it hurted my heart that you were not there to greet your class. So many parents have requested you and were saddened to know that you were gone. But baby I know that you are still there. Watching your class and over Malek's class. The teacher took right to him, she was a new teahcer and didn't know that you taught there. But I know it was you that whispered in her ear "Take care of him, that's my little boy". Baby, sometimes I feel like I can't let go, the pain is like yesterday. Moma will always love you!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Shontell, I was thinking about you today and how much fun you were to me. I really do miss you and your jokes, stories and many more things that made you a likeable person. I know I don't talk to you much, but as you know I have a extremely busy schedule, but tonight you would not get off my mind. I think it was you telling me to talk to you like when we used to call each other to discuss what was on our minds, and I have alot on my mind, but I know you are listening and watching the things I have encountered and will tell me the right things to do, because you always did whether right or wrong. I will talk to you again soon, just to let you know that I miss you and still think about you everyday. For now until we meet again, sweet dreams and I will always and never forget you. Your friend Tammy.##imported-begin##Tammy##imported-end##

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“ to the mother of shontell stay encourage you are truley a real mother and i can see you were very close to your daughter God truley has something in stored for you he has not allowed you to lose your mind even when you thought you might God Bless you mother,for i know my mother would propably do the same thing if i was to pass, thank God shontell has lived the life God has apponinted to her, so mother please continue to live yours to the fullness of God, i didn't know shontell but i believe thats what she would want for you to keep on keeping on, stay encouraged and GOD BLESS##imported-begin##tammie##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, just to let you know that I am thinking of you. My heart is heavy today and I needed to come and say some things to you. Baby, I miss you so much. But I know that God is a good god. You are at peace now, I hear your voice sometimes and I turn to see if you are there, I know you are in spirit. You have held moma's hand a awful lot lately. You have comforted me. I feel your presence sometimes. Just know that and I know you do know that "I miss you so much and I love you. My precious angel!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart..... (On my mind) your son told me today "He heard you whisper in his ear" I believe him, we miss you, just don't stop missing us!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ I was thinking of ya'll at Christmas just wrote to say Merry Christmas and I hope all is well.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ To the family of Shontell Fowlkes especially Ms. Gloria Butler, Even though I did not know Shontell, my heart was saddened to hear of her death, especially when I read the expressions of her mother. I want you to know that Shontell is not suffering she is just sleeping right now and waiting on Jesus Christ to wake her up from her sleep. When he was on earth he promised us that there is going to be a resurrection, John 5:28,29. Almighty God says that he is going to swallow up death forever (Isaiah 25:8,9) and after he has done that he is going to wipe the tears from our eyes (Revelation 21:3,4). Please read these scriptures when you are feeling the loss of Shontell and God will give you the strength beyond what is normal to deal with your pain. (2 Cor. 4:7) He also says that he will not let us be tempted beyond what we can bear (1 Cor. 10:13) but he will make a way out in order for you to be able to endure it. I truly hope, Ms. Butler, that you are comforted by these scriptures.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ Hello Shontell's Mom, I often check back to see how you and Malik are doing and hope that you are holding up. I can only imagine how hard it is to deal with the loss of a loved one. Please, please remember that you will see Shontell again. The Bible promises that you will see her again. John 5:28,29 speaks of a resurrection. Also, please remember that Almighty God will not let us be tempted beyond what we can bear (1 Corinthian 10:13). Keep praying to Almighty God for strength to deal with the loss of Shontell and he will give you the strength beyond what is normal. Take care.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Butler I'm so sorry you are having a rough time right now, and my heart really breaks for you and Malik. I really hope that you can make the best of Christmas because Malik deserves that much. You will see Shontell again, and I just feel like I know both of you and I never met you. Merry Christmas and GOD BLESS.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Hey! whats up? It has been a while since the last time I spoke with you. Now I aint gona lie after the first time I evaluated the talk and the fact that I had a talk with you. I often wondered if you had any objection to the fact that I wrote you in the first place. But then an angel that knows you extreemly well assured me that you didnot have a problem with what I wrote or the fact that I did write u. Well I do not mean to come to you this late and when I have a problem but Shontell you know that I have been going through something, and right now I feel like its killing me. You for yourself know what it is. I just do not know who to talk to I dont want to tell my mother, I just dont, nor do I want to tell my girl friends(cause Im imbarressed) and this other person that lam close too I do not want to bother her with it she has a lot of other things going on in her life right now I do not want to bother her. But this thing is taking over me. I just cannot shake him. I feel like I am not what he want right now although I feel like this I try to make myself think he does and will change at the same time. I know you cannot get too involved because my situation with I am telling you about is personal to you but if you can from female to female can you just give me a sign? If not I truly understand. Well, right now as you can see this is bothering me to continue to write so I will be in touch more frequently, I have total access to a computer (at my mothers house) but I will talk to you later. Hey! can you tell Manny I said hello.##imported-begin##an un known friend##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, here we are a few days from Christmas and still missing you very much, especially now. I have gotten your son everything he asked for (Lord knows he did not need much). The most important thing that I wish that I could give him, I am unable to do so and that is "Give him back his mother, so he can enjoy your special touch and smile. Sweetie, you would be so proud of him. Everybody say he is beginning to look like you so much. (I know that you are glad to hear that after all these years folks kept saying that he looked like me.) He's beginning to look so much like you because you are living through in him. I can see it in his smile and his movement. Again you will be so proud of him. Also, I know you are looking down on us smiling. You know how much you liked Mickey and Minnie. I brought you a big Mickey and Minnie and put it under the tree, just for my precious little angel. I feel your warmth everytime I walk over to it and touch it. I know you are sitting right beside them smiling. Love you forever and a day!###imported-begin###mom###imported-end###

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“ Sweetheart, you've been on my mind heavily. Just a few words to say that I am thinking of you and miss you. In our quiet hours we can spend it chatting with each other. As I have explained before folks have moved on and that's okay that is what they are suppose to do. You are a memory to them now Sweetheart. But you are forever to me. I often think about what we were doing last year this time, it makes me very sad, but the lord changes that to a smile. I say to myself what if I never had those times, then my precious angel you would not have been in my thoughts. A old lady told me something a few months ago, she said Honey, I know your heart is heavy now, but you have the precious moments in your hand and don't realize it, she said "You can't grieve for someone if you did not love them" and I know you loved this child because I can feel your pain. Then she looked at me and said "Do you know how many people don't know that they are loved? That helps me with my day. Precious dreams my sweet pea.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ HI MOM I DON'T YOU OR YOUR LOVELY DAUGHTER BUT I KNOW YOUR PAIN I TOO LOST MY CHILD, MY SON WHEN HE WAS 15 MONTHS OLD ,13 YEARS AGO AND IT STILL HURTS YOUR HEART WILL HEAL WHEN YOUR READY JUST EVERYTIME YOU THINK OF HER GIVE YOU GRANDSON A BIG HUG AND KISS AND ALSO LET HIM KNOW YOU LOVE HIM AND THAT HIS MOTHER TOO ALWAYS TELL HIM ABOUT HER AND KEEP ON GIVING HER PARTYS TO CELBRATE HER LIFE YES PEOPLE WILL THINK YOU NEED TO LET GO BUT THEY ARE THE ONES WHO PROBABLY NEVER LOST A CHILD. YOU DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TO GET WELL AND I KNOW YOU MAY THINK YOU WILL NEVER BE RIGHT WITHOUT HER BUT YOU WILL I'LL KEEP YOU AND YOU GRANDSON IN MY PRAYERS. (A MOTHER WHO KNOWS YOUR PAIN)###imported-begin##Vonda###imported-end##

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“ Hello Mom. I am so sorry for the pain that you are going through. Death is hard especially when it is someone so close to your heart just as your baby was to your heart. It may not seem like it now but your pain will ease. That doesn't mean that you are ok with her not being here, it just means that you are allowing yourself to move on to a happier place where you can continue to live your life while cherishing her memory. I will pray for you and I know that that God will give you the comfort and support that you need to help you through such a trying time. May God continue to bless you and Malek.###imported-begin##Deme###imported-end##

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“ I want to express my deepest sympathy to you Ms. Butler. I know that your loss was great, but I also hope that you find peace and joy having your grandson Malek in your life. I know that you miss your daughter but please know that she sits with our Lord and Savior, smiling and looking down on those she loved. Although, your life has been altered, just remember that our God does not put more on us than we can bear. Just remember that God knows and understands your pain and will heal your sorrow. So, hang in there and know that you have friends and family who love you and Malek and will be there for you. I know that we haven't known each other for long, but I feel that we have connected in a way that will be remembered for life. Always, continue to rest in God and he will carry you through. May the Lord be with you and know that everything is going to be alright!!!! God Bless you, Take Care! Michelle Thornton##imported-begin##Michelle Thornton##imported-end##

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“ One again God, has touched someone's heart to visit your site and express their support as well as friendship. Bless his holy name. It makes me feel so good to know that people can still be compassionate to one another. The road has not been easy, losing a husband, a daughter within a two year period, a job that filed bankruptcy. We have weathered this storm. God is a good "GOD" and everyday that we live, we pray the same prayer, not a different one but the same prayer, asking "God to deliver us,build us up for we have been toren down. Heal our hearts for they are broken. Strengthen us father and let us know that "Thou hast not forsaken us". Losing a husband of 25 years was painful enough, but when you lose a child,it strips you of your idenity, your will and desire to live each day through. It strips you of your pride and dignity and nothing matters. You often wonder if I had more time, why did this happen to me, and why two fold. But I know "God has a plan, he is a good God. When we were born God set our date to come home. We all was given a job to do and a certain amount of time to do it in. When our work is done, he calls us home. My husband was a quiet person but he had 102 cars in his funeral recession,Shontell had fulfilled her task that was given by our father and she touched a lot of lives doing so and father God was pleased, I think. These are "Gods children" leant to us for a little while, I thank God for who she was and who she touched and who ever she was unable to touched. I hope they learnt something just by meeting her. A old lady told me once, "You don't grieve for someone unless you love them, well I loved this child". God, is healing mine and Malek's heart, he is beginning to prepare us to move on with our lives but with her in our hearts. Thank you everybody!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Today when we visited you, Malek was at a calm heart, it was the first time he ever talked about you really being gone. He placed your flowers and he said "Mom, Shontell died when she went to the doctor's. I was shocked I asked him again what he had said and he said it to me again. Shontell he is healing, he sat on your bench and he said to me "I loved Shontell mom, and she loved me". "I'm her only son". All I could do was hug him, he layed your flowers and said "let's go see Pop-pop, Pop-pop is taking care of Shontell and Uncle Charles". Sweetie I am so proud of him, when we were driving back, he just started singing the gospel tune "It's in my heart to serve the lord". I just started singing with him. But I know God is a good God and he is healing our hearts to accept his will. Praise his holy name, I know you are watching and is very proud!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Dear Mom, I visit this site on a regular basis and was told by a friend to visit Shontell's name in particular. I was blown away by the messages you continue to share with your baby. Nowadays you just don't see families that share the kind of love that was and is still shared between you, Shontell and Malik. It's too bad you can't bottle it up and sell it. Though it is rare in this day and time, it's exactly the way it SHOULD be. While I feel pain for you and Malik, I've never experienced the kind of pain you are experiencing. My heart truly goes out to you and so do my prayers. Shontell sounds like a daughter every mother wishes they could have and I can tell that she was truly special to Malik. What comes to mind when I think of what to say is from the bible. I read that a couple of times that you wish you could give Malik his mom back. I'm sure that is a wish every family on this site could do. Please be assured that even though we as humans can't bring our loved ones home, our Loving Creator Jehovah God promises that He will. The reason why death hurts so much is because we were created to live forever. Even though everyone is subject to death right now, soon things will be different. God is so good that He is going to "swallow up death forever" according to Isaiah 25:8. We WILL see Shontay again through the resurrection hope promised to us by Jesus Christ himself at John 5:28,29 which says "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." So some will go on about their business and tend to their affairs, but keep doing what you are doing. Keep her alive in your heart because she WILL be alive again soon. You have a promise from God. Please accept my deepest sympathy for you and your family. Tonight when I say my prayers I will include you and Malik and Shontell in them. When you tuck Malik in bed tonight give him a hug and kiss for me as well. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to share your pain and hopefully share in helping yor have a good day. Each day is different; some better than others, but take 'em one day at a time. I'll check in on you and Malik soon. Have a good night.##imported-begin##Denise Dukes##imported-end##

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“ Dear Malek, I hope you feel better. I am sorry that your mommy is gone but it's going to be okay. I am 6 and I know that I would be sad too If I had no mommy. Just pray at night so that you can see her again. From Eric##imported-begin##Eric Dukes##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. When the enemy death strikes,your grief can be great. When losing a precious child it can be extremely hard. I wanted to leave you with this scripture found at Psalms 55:22 which says..... Throw your burden upon Jehovah himself, And he himself will sustain you. Never will he allow the righteous one to totter. I hope that you can find some comfort from this scripture.##imported-begin##Ava Norton##imported-end##

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“ Forsaken Friends Forgive all the ones we once called friends, who promised to stick by us through thick and thin. Let them know we have forgiven them, for all promises made,we've moved on and followed another path that was laid. We use to laugh,joke and kid around, maybe this pain is far too great to be found. But each time I begin to think of yesterday and I begin to look around, I stop to hear our laughter, a familiar sound.##imported-begin##Forsaken Friends##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, just a few lines to let you know that I am thinking of you. You know sometimes people say and do things, and whether they are intentionally meant or not. We have to let it go, that was automatic with you, you could let go of anything. It was not always that easy for me. It's in my heart but sometimes it takes a while. I need you to know that everybody that you have forgiven for any wrong they have done to you and your son, I have forgiven them too. "No weapon formed against us shall prosper".##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ I'm writing to express my hurt and my understanding to the loss of your daughter. I did not know Shontell but I too feel your pain. I am living everyday with hurt of my own from the loss of my husband. My husband was murdered and everyday it is a challenge to move forward. God never said that there wouldn't be trials but He promised us that He would never leave us nor forsake us. Let not this trial allow for you to faint/give up but let it strengthen you. I am a believer in God and I accept the loss and I want you to know that it is normal to grieve. And that there is no time limit of when you should get over the pain of your loss. My cousin, just had services for her daughter that she loss during child birth. So, although everyone's loss is unique just know that there are people who understands. Please allow God to heal your heart and know that you are not alone. I read your messages to your daughter and I too write poems and address them to my husband. That is a great way of expressing your pain. Don't ever keep your feelings inside but be strong because you have your grandson to take care of... Just like myself: My strength is my daughter. If ever you need someone to talk with - I am leaving my email address. Also, I attend a church in Woodlawn that has a bereavement class that is no charge. Please take that into consideration for you may be able to use your gift of writing to bless someone else. God Bless you! (Your Sister in Christ)##imported-begin##Angie W.##imported-end##

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“ Hello Shontell, this is truly different for me. Though you do not know me personally, and I did not have the pleasure of meeting you some how it's like I do know you. I would like to formally introduce my self, my name is shannon. I am a dear friend of your brothers' (tyrell). He and I had just became friends when you said goodbye. He didnt really talk to me that much about you, I guess because it was too hard for him. So as you can imagine it is not from him that I feel like I actually know you. The very first time I saw your and even still now it's like when I see Malek I automatically see you. He is just the cutest, funniest(when he wants to talk to me) little person that I know. Oh and by the way he is my little boyfriend if that is okay with you. But its like when ever I talk to your mother she has so many memories and stories to tell me about you and Shontell I think that is why I feel like I know you. I dont know maybe its not that I feel like I know you, maybe its like I wish that I did have the chance to get to know you. I have heard nothing but sweet and interesting things about you, its funny because my best friends brother was killed almost 2 years ago and he was 19 at the time and its like looking at you right now reminds me of him (manny) so much. So young, driven, talented, and its like until you it hurts to say but I wasnt thinking that much of him like I should and that bothers me. I know its not right to question but sometimes I sit and think why yall? Why all of the Manny's and Shontell's? Then I have to try and erase that out of my head because its not to question. Well I dont want to talk your head off I just wanted to introduce my self to you, so that now you can know who I am because I already know you! Well if its ok with you I stop by sometimes to say hey, and one more thing could you say hi to Manny for me!###imported-begin###An Unknown Friend###imported-end###

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“ Sweetheart, so many people has written so many nice and truly loving things to help me heal through this ordeal. I sincerely hope that everyone who visit your site and offer words of encouragement know that "Their words and their love is a spiritual vitamin for me. Please all of you know that I "Thank you" from the bottom of my heart, that you cared enough to take time from your schedules to help me through this. MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU, FOR YOU ARE HIS ANGELS THAT HE HAS SENT TO DRY THE SAD TEARS AWAY. I CRY EVERYTIME I HEAR FROM SOMEONE NEW, AND I AM CRYING NOW BECAUSE "GOD IS A GOOD GOD AND EVEN THOUGH HE KNEW "HOW MUCH THIS CHILD MEANT TO ME, HE HAS PROMISED TO DRY MY TEARS AND CONSOLE ME. YOU ALL ARE A PART OF THAT CONSOLEMENT. ALL OF YOU WHO KNOW THE WORD OF PRAYER- CONTINUE TO PRAY MY STRENGTH IN THE LORD AND TO OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES THAT STUMBLE IN OUR WAY, AND MAKE OUR ENEMIES OUR FOOTSTOOL. ALWAYS GREATFUL!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Butler every now and then I check to see how you are doing, and I'm glad I could be a part of your healing may GOD continue to bless you and be blessed that he put a child like Shontell in your life now he gave you another "her son". GOD BLESS##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, Happy Thanksgiving!! I remember last year this time, I had cooked the day before and we brought you Thanksgiving dinner to the hospital. You know baby, I remember everything like yesterday. It's just the final moments that I don't remember and keep blocked from my mind. Sometimes I feel your touch or your movement and it brightens my day for a little while because I know you are near. Today, two people I truly miss will not be at my table physically, but you will be there spiritually and "I HAVE EVERYTHING JUST THE WAY YOU LIKE IT!! Your son sends his love, I think he is finally beginning to feel the impact of your loss and it saddens him so, because like you he loved you so very much. We cry and comfort each other and I let him know his mother was very special and she is still watching over him. Shontell, I love this boy so, I feel he is your replacement everytime I look at him and like you he is loved by so many people. Forever in our hearts!!###imported-begin###mom###imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, Thanksgiving was very difficult without you. Going shopping the day after was even harder. We use to get up so early on black friday and shop all day long, and each day after that until Christmas was over we were out there. Missing you hurted me so much that I came home three times, once I just went to sleep. But when I thought of you and how you would not want me to be this way, I went back out there. This is the first year that I didnot buy that much (and you know how much I like to shop, smile). I know Christmas is going to be very hard. But I am trying so hard to get through this. Instead of getting better sometimes it seems that it is getting worse, the pain and agony of losing you. I see it in your son too. He hugs me, comforts me and tells me it's going to be alright. The other day when he said that to me, I looked up into his eyes and I saw my little girl. You know his eyes is brown, but they were not his eyes looking at me, it was my baby. So you see baby I know you are near. I feel your touch sometimes on my shoulder when I am down, the other day it was so real that I turned around and looked to see if you were there. I hear your movement sometimes. I know you are worried but I am going to be okay. Love you, mom###imported-begin###Mom###imported-end###

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“ You know Sweetheart, in the beginning alot of people made a lot of promises to help see this child through this ordeal. Some family, some friends,godmothers/godfathers (malek was blessed w/many god parents)folks very dear in heart. I often wonder did they just forget what they promised, were they words of condolences, was it from the heart or was it just the proper thing to say at that time. Some folks that were close, I thought would have been there is not. It's amazing and I dare not ask them, because it is okay. God, has blessed us where as we are allright and we will continue to be in his care. With all the new found friends from this website. Malek has a adopted a lot of godmothers/godfathers and friends. Praise god!! If one of those who made promises in the beginning reads this site, please don't make promises in the future that you do not keep. It only hurts in the end. Be reminded that you are still loved and are in our prayers and we hope we are in yours.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, it's the 1st of december already. time goes so fast, I remember last year us laughing and having so much fun around this time. You were in the hospital but all the nurses and friends, we had so much fun. Everybody knew Shontell, my angel. I remember all the nurses would come to your room. We had a ball. Everyone was so friendly and kind. Oh Shontell, what am I going to do this year without you? Christmas is only a few weeks away. I use to love Christmas, I would decorate everything. This year it's not in my heart. I'm looking for "Peace" in my heart. Your son told me today "Write my moma, and let her know that I love her, because I know she loves me". Shontell that really touched me because every night in his prayers that's what I tell him to ask God to tell you. Sweetie, we both miss and long for you. Still hurting!!##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, today marks the remembering of the 12 white doves that we released on last Valentines Day when we sent you home, the scripture reads "Oh if I had wings, I would fly away", releasing the doves was in our hearts, our way of "Saying, Sweetie you have earned your wings, now go and fly away home".##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ JEANNE SORRY I TOOK SO LONG TO GET BACK TO YOU BUT I AM SURE THAT IF NO ONE ELSE UNDERSTANDS WHAT I HAVE BEEN GOING THREW YOU DO YOUR DAUGHTER WAS A BEAUTIFUL YOUNG LADY AND I AM SURE YOU WERE VERY PROUD OF HER I REALLY CAN NOT EXPRESS MY FEELINGS RIGHT NOW BUT I WANTED YOU TO KNOW THAT I WAS AND WILL KEEP YOU IN MY PRAYERS. LOVE SISTER##imported-begin##yvonne mallory##imported-end##

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“ Hello Mom & Malek, I just wanted to check in on you guys and let you know that I still think of you and that you are still in my prayers. I hope you are able to cope better with the passing of time and that the days are easier. I continue to be encouraged by your example and I still tell everyone to visit Shontell's page. Through you, I am helped to give hugs to my sons just because and never be too busy to listen to them when they *NEED* to talk. I give thanks everyday for having them another day because tomorrow isn't promised to us. I pray too that Malek is adjusting and doing better. My son asks about him and I'll let him write to him soon. Please take care and know that you are still affecting the lives of others through the love you have for your daughter.##imported-begin##Denise Dukes##imported-end##

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“ Hey Shontell, I am just writing to tell you that you are so special and miss by so many friends and relative. I miss our little talks. I have to say you have left behind a legacy of love and friendship. You will always be missed and loved by those you touched. Since me and your mom have been friends, I have always thought of you as one of my daughters.##imported-begin##Joy Lane##imported-end##

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“ Shontell must have been a really special daughter and mother. I pray that her Mom and son will get comfort from the Lord. It is not easy to live with the loss of a loved one, especially your child and mother. May God comfort your hearts.##imported-begin##Stella##imported-end##

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“ Sweetie, over the weekend, we received our first snow fall. It brought back memories to when you came home. The weather was so windy, blustery & cold. It snowed and we got so many days of icy weather. I remember you sitting by the window watching the snow and cold. Rest on my little snow flake.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ I send you my deepest sympathy for the lost of Shontell Fowlkes. I know when a child dies it is particularly hard for the mother. But the bible makes it clear that God did not originally intend for humans to die. Here at John 5:28,29 it says "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tomb will hear his voice and come out." I hope these words that I have shared with you are of some comfort to you and your family.##imported-begin##Shawna##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, it has been a year of losing you and it still seems like yesterday. But as I have spoken before God is healing our hearts. I thought yesterday was going to be extremely hard, however God put us at ease. We gave out special personalized Valentine cards from you along with a photo. Everyone was delighted with their special gift. I just wish that I could send one to everyone that has touched this family in some way. I can't stop saying "THANK YOU". I feel like you are at peace. I know that you were troubled that I was having a difficult time, but I don't want you to worry anymore. Momma, is okay. I have learned how to place you in my heart and feel your warmth. God is good. He is keeping his promise that he made to us. And we praise his holy name. Sweetie, your son is changing. He looks so much like his momma. (You were a pretty child, so you know he is handsome.) I just thank God he allowed me to hold this child so near to my heart. For you live within him. Sometimes when I look at him I see you. He has those charming eyes. He has your ways. I love you!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, while thinking of you today my heart was lifted with joy. It's just the little blessings in life that continues to remind us that God is real and a awesome God. As I have spoken before God is healing Malek and my hearts. He is beginning to dry our tears, along with assuring us that we will see you again in his time. While we struggle with this enemy called death, we are assured of greater rewards- such as "You are not lost forever, and God will renite us again. Sweetie, I still say a part of me left along with you. I carried you for 9 months, with the help of the lord I gave you your first breath. I watched over you, I cared for you, I fussed with you, I loved you, I cried with you and as we neared the end of the road I begged you not to go, I needed you, your son needed you. I caressed you like the first day you were born and I assured you that I was still there and as I held you, I remembered the day you were born. Sweetheart, we may not always win the battle, but we put up a good fight, this way we know that we fought back and you fought back, until the angels said "It's okay Shontell, you don't have to fight anymore. I was selfish, I wanted you to still fight even though you were tired, because I loved you so and little Malek was so small and innocent. Then I realized that I had to whisper in your ear, it's okay you can go, my sweet child. You were never one that would intentionally disobey their parent and I knew unless I told you that it was okay to go, that you would have tried to still hang in there, because of this child. But Sweetheart you will always be my angel.##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ Hello Mom and Malek, I was just checking back to see how you are coping. I see that you are drawing comfort from the God of all comfort (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) and he is giving you the strength beyond what is normal to deal with your loss (2 Cor. 4:7). Continue to pray and draw strength from him because he is a hearer of prayers (Psalm 65:2). Take care and I will check back again to see how you are doing. I don't personally know you but by your expressions of love for your daughter and grandson, I feel like I know you.###imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe###imported-end##

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“ Hello Malek & Mom, I wrote to you a little while back and promised that I would keep you in my prayers and that I would check back in with you and I always try and keep my promises. From your last messages, it seems like you're able to cope a little better and I'm glad for you. While this "enemy" does take our loved ones from us, it can't take the memories and the time we had with them. While we grieve for their absence, it's those memories that may be what helps us get through that rough day. My son, Eric (to my surprise) still talks about Malek and wonders if he's doing better. He asks about him from time to time, especially when I visit this site. I hope that time and reliance on our Heavenly Father will help you to heal. I can tell that certain dates and events have special meaning to you and those days will be especially hard for you. Please know that people are praying for you still and are here to comfort you even if it's through this site. Though a stranger, I feel close to you and can almost picture you through your loving, caring and nurturing personality. This void is great and the void of your husband. Please believe that it's only temporary. It's a promise from above. You will be okay and so will Malek. I'll continue to pray for your family and I hope the best for you and Malek.###imported-begin##Denise Dukes###imported-end##

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“ Hello Mrs. Butler and Malek just thinking of you and keeping you both in prayer.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Hello Mrs. Bulter and Malek, I haven't visited in a while and I wanted to let you know that you and your family are still in my thoughts. I am happy for Malek on his graduation. I know that you were overwhelmed at seeing him graduate. My son just graduated from Pre-k and I was so emotional, so I can only imagine how you felt seeing Malek graduate. Continue to pray for strength. I will keep you in my prayers to Jehovah. Just remember that Shontell is in his memory and has the opportunity of being resurrected to life on a beautiful earth (John 5:28,29; Revelation 21:3,4; Psalm 37:10,11,29).##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, last night I dreamt about you and everything about the dream was so real, your smile, to hear you laugh, your touch and our conversation which meant a lot. Your birthday celebration was a success as usual. We distributed 100 blue survival bracelets engraved with your name and a scripture. Again, we set off your balloons after prayer. I know you were there, because you repeated history. One balloon stayed. Your brother told me "Mom, don't cry because she is here, I turned and the ballon he was holding was just floating on his shoulder and about his face. I know it was you expressing your thanks and love. Sweetheart, folks might not believe that each year one balloon has stayed behind but it is true. This time we video taped this moment. God, is a good God I thank him for how far he has brought me and for where he is leading me. A year ago, I resided over a trusting but broken heart. Today, my heart still aches, but I am under God's wing assurring me each day to trust him and he will get me through this. "LOVE YOU FOREVER AND A DAY".##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Hello Malek, This is Eric and I wanted to let you know that I was thinking about you. I talked my mommy about you and I hope you are feeling better. I hope you know that soon people who have died will come back to life and you can see your mommy again. If you want, I will write to you again soon. Be happy and good. From Eric##imported-begin##Eric Dukes##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart I know it has been a while since I had last written. But as you know I am trying to keep you close at heart and mind, just in case that they discontinue this site. I hope not, I wish I could have this site forever, there are so many memories here. so many new friends, so many hearts broken, tears shared. And I love everyone!! Most people go to counseling with strangers, I have been blessed with therapeutic counseling from the father above. He sent me heartfelt angels, while he embraced Malek and I through this storm. These people did not feel like strangers, "THEY ARE OUR FRIENDS FOREVER, I HOPE". Sweetie even though I donot write everyday, I come to this site each day to check on you. Baby, I'm still here.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Hello Mom, I came back to this site to check on you and Malek. I have read your entries and see that you are coping and that is a good thing. Just remember that the God of Comfort (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) "is near to those broken at heart and those crushed in spirit he saves." (Psalms 34:18). Continue to look to him for this comfort. Also, please remember that He promises at John 5:28,29 that the dead will live again by means of a resurrection and you and Malek will have the opportunity to see Shontell again.##imported-begin##Sopha Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, I know it has been a while since I last wrote. But as I explained Malek and I are trying to learn "How to carry you in heart and mind". Baby, today I wrote March and told them about how this family has healed and is still healing through their process. We have met new friends, we have laugh and cried, but we got through it. There are still moments. You know even though I don't write everyday, every day before I start work I pull this site up. It's like habit. Baby, no words could ever explain what I have lost here. I still ache from missing you. Rest on my angel!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Hi Mrs.Butler and Malek just checking in to say hello and I hope you both are doing great I will always keep you both in prayer.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, so many things are going on. I wanted to put a message on here for you on mother's day, but did not get around to it. But you were still in my prayers. Baby, holidays like that are the hardest ones. Malek made a card for you and I and hung it in his room on the wall. He says he is "Special, he has two moms". You would be so proud of him, he is beginning to look so much like you. Love you so much, mom.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, today is a quiet crisp morning that reminds me of you. Your son is growing so nicely, I know that you would be very proud of him. I still have not accepted losing you. Shontell, days are better but not acceptable. I don't know if I will ever be able to. All I know is that God is a good and peaceful God and I have a lot of things to be thankful for. Sometimes I feel your presence and your peaceful sense telling me "Mom slow down, rest, I got you". Baby, I love you so much and I thank God for giving me peace in dealing with your loss. My presious angel, I love you!!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Hi Mrs. Butler you and Malek are still in my prayers GOD BLESS.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Hi Mrs. Butler, My name is Brenda Royster and I work at March Funeral Home (Marcorp Admin. Office) I am the person who enters the information on the website. Recently you emailed my boss Mr. Victor March and he forwarded your e-mail to me. I was touched by your connection with your daughter. I envy you, because I too have a daughter and our connection in life is not half as strong as you have with your daughter in death. Live with your memories, because they will add to your comfort, which comes from knowing that your grief is shared and understood. God Bless you and Malek. From someone who shares.##imported-begin##Brenda Royster and Family##imported-end##

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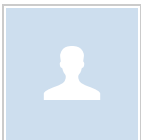
“ Mrs. Butler, I forgot to add that I will keep you and your family in prayer and I would also suggest our grief counseling classes, which is free of charge. Annette March-Grier is the coordinator and from what I heard she is fantastic, and I think you would be a help with the many people she counsel. Just to tell your story of your communication with your daughter and how it helps you. May God continue to bless you and keep you strong.##imported-begin##Brenda Royster##imported-end##

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“ Hi Sweetheart, just needed to say a few things out loud rather in heart. Baby, I still miss your smile, your laughter and your touch. Friday, your son will graduate from Kindergarden. I know you will be right there smiling just as hard as I will be. I just wish that you could be here to physically hold and touch him. Shontell, he is beginning to look so much like you, and it has my heart filled with joy. Sometimes looking at him just brings you back to me. I love this boy more than anything in the world, and being a part of you makes him extra special. Baby, your birthday is soon, this year we will distribute survivor braclets to all family and friends as a token and remembrance of your love. (Penny for my thoughts--bring you back to me!!) Love you always, Mom##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Hi Ms. Butler, We are sending you a remembrance booklet of all the guestbook entries. I don't know if you received one last year, and we normally don't send out two, but after reading your entries I thought you would like to have another. Brenda Royster##imported-begin##Brenda Royster##imported-end##

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“ Hi Mrs. Butler and Malek just wanted to let you both know that you re still in prayer. Congratulation Malek on your graduation. GOD BLESS.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ "If You Could See Me Now" Our prayers have all been answered. I have finally arrived. The healing that had been delayed, has now been realized. No one's in a hurry, there's no schedule to keep. We're all enjoying Jesus, just sitting at his feet. If you could see me now, I'm walking streets of gold, if you could see me now, I'm standing tall and whole. If you could see me now you'd know I've seen his face. If you could see me now, you'd know the pain is erased. You wouldn't want me to ever leave this place. Shontell, we love and miss you!##imported-begin##Mom,Brother,Sister##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, just a few lines to let you know that "Moma" is still here. You know what I am going through and I just needed to take time out and express to my baby girl that she is still my heart, my pride and joy. Even though I speak to you everyday in prayer I just need to come to my comfort zone. This is where my healing began and sometimes I need to come here just to say "I Love you". Your son is growing so beautiful, he lost his first tooth the other day. I know you already know because I feel your spirit, I feel your movement and touch. Sweetheart I just can't stop from saying you were a beautiful person and I am glad that you were my child. Malek was blessed with a mother such as you, and I just hope he never forget my smile, your voice and your touch. He still talks about you and what you and him use to do. The other day I began to cry and he said mom its okay "You'll see her again". It's just amazing what kids hear and learn. Love you forever and a day.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Butler I am so glad your heart is being lifted because I can tell you are great mom and the love for your daughter is exceptionable!!! GO BLESS YOU##imported-begin##Rhond Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Hello Mrs Butler, I was just checking back to see how you and Malek are doing. I hope you are doing well. Please remember to draw comfort from God's word the Bible. Remember Revelation 21:3,4 which speaks of death being no more. Is. 25:8 which talks about death being swallowed up forever and John 5:28,29 where our loved one who have passed away will be resurrected. Take care and I will check back at another time.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Butler, I was just checking in again on you. It's been about a week and I thought I would check to see how you are doing. I hope that all is well. From your last message it seems as if you are coping. Just remember to draw comfort from the God of Comfort (2 Corinthians 1:3,4)and he will give you the strength beyond what is normal to continue to cope (2 Corinthians 4:7). Just remember Almighty God is there for you 24/7.##imported-begin##Sophia Briscoe##imported-end##

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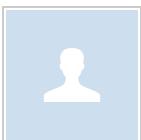
“ hello Shontell's mom the reason that i am writing is because i came pass the your daughter's name by accident i was looking for a friend and i came and read her page then i thought well i am here so i went and saw all the nice things people were saying about your daughter. While i never meet your daughter she seems like a very nice person. Ok let me get to the point . i came pass the page for the first time last year right after i lost my pregnancy. and i would come and see how you was doing and through reading ur entries i found out that i was not the only person who was feeling pain and i thank you for being so honest about your good days and ur bad days. again i thank you and i say god bless you.##imported-begin##passer by##imported-end##

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“ Shontell's mom i am sorry about the last message if i offended you an anyway that was never my intent i just wanted to say thank you and god bless you and your family.##imported-begin##passer by##imported-end##

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“ My Mom told me you visit the site and just wanted to say I am saddened by your loss and I pray your strenght in the Lord. If you need anything my email address is attached and you have my Mom's phone number. Don't hesitate we are only a call, email, and five minutes around the corner. May God continue to bless and keep you. Kenya and family.##imported-begin##Trusty Family##imported-end##

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“ You did not offend me by your message, you encouraged me more. Thank you for your thoughts. Shontell's Mom###imported-begin##To Passer By###imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart,I just needed to come to talk to you for a while. I am so happy to see that folks are still responding to my baby and the life she lead. Sweetie, there are a lot of things that are on my mine lately. Sad memories have come back because I miss you so. It seems like my days are tearful days. But God is a good God and I know he will heal my heart. Each tear is a joyful tear that you belonged to me. Your son he looks so much like you now and it is a reminder to me that my baby is still here. I came and sat with you the other day because I had a lot on my mind,and I needed to be near you and feel the warmth from your heart. Folks need to understand that this is how I get through each day by frequently coming to this site. I might not write everyday anymore but I check this site every day to give me strength.###imported-begin##Mom###imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, just a little thought from the mind, to say that I love you and is still missing you. You are constantly on my mind because the holiday is near. We use to do so many things together. I normally get so depressed along this time but I have put in my mind that "Good Times" never ever fade away. We remember and we never forget. It's always in a mention when conversating or someone just passing through. Baby, as I have said before, God has conditioned me and my heart. I still yearn for you, and I guess I will never stop that for as long as I live. I saw a commercial the other day of a lady losing her daughter in her twenty's to heart failure. she spoke of her pain, and never being able to get over it, she talked about how hard it was to lose a child and how she would have given her own life first, I felt like she was reliving what I have lived. So many times I wished that I could have given you my life. They showed trophies and other memories. You had one of the same trophies she had, her year was "98" your year was "96" inscribed. See baby God does things to let us know that we are not alone. Someone out there is feeling the same pain.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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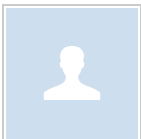
“ Hello Mrs. Butler, Its been a while that I have checked on you. I was thinking about you this morning and thought to come to this site and see how you are doing. Life is full of ups and downs and we never know which is going to come. I am very happy to see that you are still going strong and taking care of Malek. You are to be commended for taking on that roll and filling Shontell's shoes the best way you can. Keep praying for the strength to carry on. Please remember the scripture at (1 Corinthians 10:13) which says "No temptation has taken YOU except what is common to men. But God is faithful, and he will not let YOU be tempted beyond what YOU can bear, but along with the temptation he will also make the way out in order for YOU to be able to endure it." Keep strong and remember that you have the opportunity to see Shontell again in a better world.(Rev. 21:3,4; John 5:28,29)###imported-begin###Sophia###imported-end###

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“ Mrs. Butler I am praying for your strength stay strong through the holidays and I know GOD will continue to bless you.###imported-begin###Rhonda wilson###imported-end###

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“ Happy Holidays to you and your grandson. I hope all is well.###imported-begin###Rhonda Wilson###imported-end###

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“ I didnt know shontell but i have just suffered a loss of a friend and its really hard at this time. So i was looking through and and saw this pretty lady and started to wonder. i am sorry for your loss and i see that you loved your daughter dearly and you writing on a regular bases i think is so sweet and touching. so you keep writing to her because i know it makes you feel better and closer to her. god bless you and her son!###imported-begin##valisha young###imported-end##

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“ I WOULD LIKE TO SAY I KNEW SHONTELL FROM LAKE CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL. I WAS JUST LOOKING AT MY YEAR BOOK LOOKING AT ALL THE PICTURES AND I CAME A CROSS HER PICTURE. WE JUST HAD A CLASS REUNION NOT TO LONG AGO AND I DIDN,T SEE HER OR SOME OTHER CLASS MATES. SO I DECIDED TO LOOK UP WHO HAS PASSED. WHEN I SEEN HER PICTURE MY MOUTH JUST DROP. MOM I HAVE ONE CHILD AND IF I LOSE HER I WOULD FEEL THE SAME WAY OF HOW YOU FEELING. MY PRAYERS GOES OUT TO HER AND THE FAMILY. MOM TWO OF OUR TEACHERS IS LOOKING OVER HER MRS, GLENN AND MISS BLACKWELL. SHE IS O.K I KNOW SHE IS.###imported-begin##MICHELLE LEE###imported-end##

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“ Hi Mrs. Butler just wanted to let you know that i'm still praying for your strength.###imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson###imported-end##

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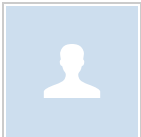
“ Glad to hear you all are still well. GOD BLESS##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, just a few lines to remind people that I am still here and check my baby's site often. I still miss you so very much. It has been very rainy lately, you know I hate it when it rains. But today it's different the heavy rains represent my tears from my broken heart. Baby, I can't think of anything that has been this painful in my life. Losing you has made me lose myself. When you think you can go on and accept life, it suddenly comes right back. Presious love you are always close at my heart.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ I would like to send my condolences at a time of much heartache and grief. I pray that the comfort of God will bring the healing to all those affected over this lost. How blessed we all are to know despite the painful effects of death our God Jehovah have promised a relief from our enemy death. Rev. 21:3-4 states death will no longer exist and will no longer cause mourning nor out cry or pain anymore. He say's death will be swallowed up according to Is. 25:8-9. However Jehovah's greatest promise he say's, the dead will live again according to Is. 26:19. That is truly a wonderful hope. Our very loved ones lost to death will live again. Yes their state is temporary like a sleep.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ Hello Ms. Butler & Malek, I just wanted to let you know that I haven't forgotten about you. I still think of you often and I still pray for you and your family. I suffered the tragic loss of my daughter almost 10 months ago and although it's hard, I know I am not alone. I hope Malek is doing well as well as your daughter. Prayerfully things have gotten easier with time. Give Malek one of those "just because" hugs for me and hopefully I'll hear from you soon. Take care.##imported-begin##Denise Dukes##imported-end##

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“ Hey Mrs. Butler just want you to know I still have you and Malek in my prayers.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Shontell, I know it has been awhile since we last talked and we have so much to catch up on. My mom has been really sick and I have been taking care of her. I saw your mother and Malek a month ago entering Malek's school (Hazelwood). After that a couple of weeks later I recieved a email from your mother stating that it was changed, but giving me the new one. No I did not forget you and never will, you hold a special place in my heart. Shontell, do you remeber your honeybun kick? We use to travel all over the hospital to find one. Mrs. Gene, I am still here and will always be. If you ever need me just call me. This is a new year and I am making it my business to stay in touch with you and Malek. those double signs I recieved from seeing you and then recieving your email made me realize that GOD was senidng me a sing to contact my friend and let her know what has been going on. Shontell, I do still miss you greatly, but look forward to spending my days with you when GOD see's fit. Until then you keep on resting and shinning over your mother and son. Love your friend, Tammy##imported-begin##Tammy##imported-end##

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“ Just wanted to let you know that I was thinking of you today. I really do miss you. Mrs. G, I am keeping you and Malek in my prayers and will continue to do so.##imported-begin##Tammy##imported-end##

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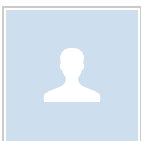
“ Sweetheart, here we are into the fall months. Even when the leaves on the trees change my heart still stays the same. I know I have not written in a while, but again I have you here at heart. Each day silently I come to this site. Time after time I feel a need to make my presence known and a need to remind other folks just how precious and valuable spending time with your love ones are. I have no regrets when it comes to you only missing you still terribly. Baby, my love for you will always be the same. Your son still yearns for you, but my peace of mind is blessed that he has not forgotten who you are and he still loves you like yesterday. I thank God for keeping your memory instilled inside of him. Love you always!!##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Just wanted to wish you Mrs.Butler and Malek a very MERRY CHRISTMAS.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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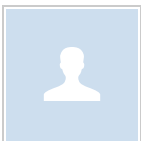
“ Sweetheart, just a whisper in your ear that I am still so exhausted from losing you it's just like yesterday. Forever in my heart and mind.##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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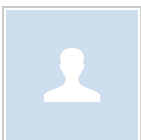
“ Hello Ms. Butler & Malik, I just wanted to write you and let you know that I am still praying for you and your loss and am still in your corner. I hope you are able to examine some of the comforting scriptures that the visitors have shared with you because it really will continue to help. I hope you and yours are well. Please know that I won't stop praying for you and that I think of you all the time.##imported-begin##Denise Dukes##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, just a few lines to let you and everyone know that I am still here. Even though I do not write as much, I check this site every single day before I start work. I am trying to learn how to carry you in my heart. Baby,we have so many special friends who have continously kept in touch to make sure that I got through this ordeal. These are angels that God has sent to comfort us and we thank him. You have touched so many lives in death, just like you did in life. Baby I am so proud of you, and the woman that you had become. I didn't need a daughter who had to go on american idol to try to be famous. Your personality and the people you touched was worth a million dollars and all those who you didn't reach, I just hope you made a difference. Yes, Sweetie "This makes you my american idol". I am so proud of you. Often I think of what your son will miss from you not being here,but then I hear you whisper I am here.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Mrs. Butler and Malek you are in my prayers stay strong and I can see that GOD is bringing you through it all.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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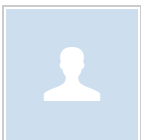
“ Sweetheart, today marks two years that you went away. I have thought of you often today not remembering your pain but remembering you and the person that you were. Baby, while we still miss you, we hold you in our hearts. Rest in peace my princess.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Sweetie, today I came and laid the most beautiful roses for you. They looked so pretty. You know I have so much that I need to thank God for, and I praise his "Holy Name" each day because this is the day that he has made and he did not have to include me in it. Shontell, I want you to be the first to know that God has fulfilled his promise to me, to wipe away the tears and relieve my pain. I can think of you now and smile. I have not cried in a while.(Not saying that I am not going to) because I have had my moments but he carries me through. Sweetie just know that "You will forever and always be in my heart" It's not a day that goes by that I don't think of you, but I can smile now. (Praise his Holy name".) Your son looks so much like you and has your ways. He is such a inspiration in my life and I thank God for him. God has proven what he has put together let no man take it away. Your son is my replacement and my comforter until I see you again. He is the reason I get up each morning. There is nothing that I would not do for this child. I believe God fills the void in our lives and he has put this child here to fill this void.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ "Happy Valentines Day, Mom " Love Malek##imported-begin##Malek##imported-end##

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“ I visit this site almost everyday. Although I did not know Shontell, you can certainly feel the love. It broke my heart as I read the entries. As I continued to read, I could tell that God was present. He was beginning to heal this MOTHER'S heart. I have two daughter's of my own. I know the love of a mother and daughter. You were blessed to have such a beautiful and wonderful daughter. I pray that God will contniue to strengthen you and your Grandson. Continue to look to the hills which cometh your help. Shontell is rejoicing with our Heavenly Father. May God continue to Bless you.##imported-begin##Maurisha White##imported-end##

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“ Sweetheart, I know it's been a while since I have written (even though I continue to come here every single day to read your entries.) Today is a good day and I decided to say a special hello. You have been on my mind heavy lately. I think of your love, joy and laughter, your smile your touch. Those things are truely missed and can never be replaced. A lot of folks don't know or understand "What it is to lose a child". A part of you die along with that person, and no matter what you do, your life is never the same. My heart still aches. If I could have given you my life, please know and I know you know I would have made that sacrifice. My precious angel. You are surely missed and very deeply loved unconditionally. Folks have moved on, time waits for no one. But your presence and love still lingers. Rest on my gardian angel.##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ Just checking in to say I still have u both in my prayers.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ I am so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Ruth##imported-end##

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“ Happy Valentine's day sweetheart, sorry I am a day late. Valentine's Day is a very special day for me it reminds me of the day we said our final so longs (not good-byes) and we released the doves prepresenting your going home. So precious one it's a different meaning for us. Hope you liked your roses.##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“ Hi Mrs. Butler just wanted to say I'm still thinking of you and your grandson Malek and hope you both are doing well. GOD BLESS##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Still keeping you in prayer.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ *Baby,I'm still here. Just don't get to write much,but I visit frequently. We are all fine and still miss you dearly. We celebrated your birthday with a neighborhood cookout and of course it was a sell out. Thank everyone who still keep us in prayer for we still have not gotten over this lost.##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##*

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“ *Many thanks to everyone who has from day 1 shared our loss and still keep us in prayer. Malek and I still struggle with the loss of Shontell. Many thanks to Denise and Rhonda for their support. 2/9/10 marked six years and I am still struggling with this void I guess it will carry me to my grave. This child meant so much to me and her death nearly destroyed me. But I stand beside a good god and he continues to provide with strength to go on and raise her child. God bless everyone and keep Malek and I in your heart! Don't stop writing!##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##*

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“ *Mrs Butler I really feel your pain and I am so sorry for your loss. It don't matter what people think its your way of healing and I just hope someday it will get better for you. Just reading your letters I can tell how much you really loved your daughter.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##*

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“Baby, some might feel that I should be shamed or something is wrong with me to continue to write to you, but I want the world to know what a beautiful child I had and just how much "I loved her". Times just have not been too good lately I still cannot believe or digest this. But my heart says "She's just not home right now". It seems just like yesterday. Your birthday is coming soon, every year I gave you a party for the 4th and I will still give you a party. My heart still aches for you and I wonder if I will ever cure from this. The tears seem so natural now, but they say "You don't grieve for someone unless you love them and "GOD KNOWS I TRUELY LOVED YOU!!!".##imported-begin##Mom##imported-end##

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“Sweetheart, "Happy Mother's Day". Today marks 3 months since your pasting. I know you were exceptionally glad to see Malek today. Your flowers look beautiful, so pretty and radiant just like you. Love you!!!##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“Dear Mrs. Butler I just happen to be looking in here to write a message to my DAD and came across your beautiful daughter picture and I feel all your pain and you continue to write to her because it is a sense of healing. She is a very beautiful young lady. May God wrap you in his arms.##imported-begin##Rhonda Wilson##imported-end##

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“ Dear Ms. Butler, I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your beautiful daughter. I did not have the privilege of knowing her, however I was able to read the loving letters that you wrote to her. It is good you have a way of releasing your grief. Death is definitely an enemy. The Bible assures us, at Psalm 34:18, that, "God is near to those that are broken at heart; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves". 2Peter1:3 can also bring hope in such a difficult time. I truly hope that you find comfort in these words.##imported-begin##Samone Smith##imported-end##

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“ May "God truly bless everyone that comes to this site to offer kind words of comfort and to contribute to my healing from this terrible loss". Shontell, was my oldest child and my best friend. She was always there to listen even if she didn't give advise. She was a beautiful person. I thank God foR blessing me with such a child whom was so welled loved and respected!! Thank you everyone for your support. I especially "Thank the ones who didnot know the family but was somehow affected by our loss!! MAY GOD BE THE GLORY!!##imported-begin##mom- thank everyone!!##imported-end##

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“ I came to read your new messages and to find peace. My heart is still heavily burdend from losing you. Sometimes I wonder if I will ever heal. Just like the peom "Footprints" the lord is carrying me through, because without him I know I could not make it. Yesterday was my 25th anniversary while there were two people missing in the flesh, I know you both were here spiritually. I cried so much yesterday but it was a cry of comfort because of your presence. Sometimes I feel like I can hear you laughing and chattering. Rest in peace my angel.##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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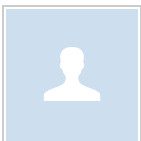
“ Dear Mom: I didn't know your daughter. But after reading all these messages, you are truly loved. Yes, Shontell is resting with her Lord. I think emailing is a good therapy for you. My cousin was told by her Doctor, to write to her husband everyday, and also told her son to write to his Father everyday. Pain only lasts for a while. My Father passed in 1984, and it still hurts. It's as though it happened yesterday. With God, all things are possible. As Pastor Thomas told our congregation, GOD IS HEALING. Look to the hills from which cometh your help. All of your help will come from the Lord. God bless you Mom. Shontell was a very pretty angel. Go forth and if you feel like crying, do that. It seems your grandson is a good inspiration and comfort for you. Take care and God bless you. May your days be more comforting to you. Trust and hold onto God's unchanging hands.##imported-begin##Karen Harris##imported-end##

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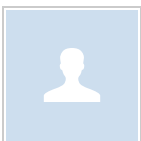
“ You are still truly missed and my heart and it seems like forever. There's still so many things I want to say to you, there's so many things that we still had to do, oh sweetheart I feel like this is a dream and I can't wake up. Your son misses you so much, he talks about you all the time. Baby, I just wish we talk, touch and laugh together one more time. Love mom!!!imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.(Psalm 147:3) You dwell in the secret place of the most high and abide in the shadow of the almighty. You are now in the presence of the lord. You feel the joy of the lord everyday. Time is endless for you. Shontell we miss you and love you, you were a bright light in our lives, your strength, courage and love is what we will remember most. You had a spirit of never giving up and you fought until the end. Your family will always be in our prayers, we will pray for their strength, and faith in God. We will never forget you and will see you in heaven !!!imported-begin##Elder Andre and Portia McConnell##imported-end##

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“ I didnt know SHONTELL, but she reminds me so much of my cousin Javonne who died in a car accident in NC of 02. From what I see Shon was a sweet girl and she had a blossom spirit. BLESS the family and may the covered with the love of Shontell always. RIP Shontell your legacy lives on. You are a Angel in the holy place. BE BLESSED everybody who comes to her page. She shall forever sleep sweet!!!imported-begin##Natasia##imported-end##

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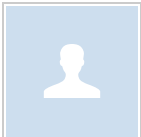
“ i love you and miss you very much.##imported-begin##dianne##imported-end##

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“ Baby, it's been a little over a month now. I still cannot digest this, however I do know that "God is a Good God" and that is my inspiration. I miss and love you so much. I know you are still watching over me like you were doing with your father making sure that I am okay, I feel your presence and your touch when I am down and out. I know you always hated to see me cry, so I try not to do that but it's hard. But through Malek's hugs and kisses I hear you whispering "Moma, I'm here and I'm okay".##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ SHONTELL, YOU ARE A PERSON THAT WILL BE TRULY MISSED. YOU WERE SUCH A NICE AND LOVING PERSON THAT REALLY TOUCHED MY LIFE IN A POSITIVE WAY. I'M SO SORRY TO SEE YOU GO BUT I KNOW YOU ARE GOING TO A MUCH BETTER PLACE. UNFORTUNATLEY, I DIDN'T MAKE IT YOUR FUNERAL BUT AT LEAST THIS WAY A CAN SAY MY GOODBYE AND SEND MY LOVE AND CONDOLENCES TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY. AND IF I'M NEEDED FOR ANYTHING I'M ALWAYS HERE.##imported-begin##MAURICE##imported-end##

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“ It is so hard getting over losing my friend. You were not only my patient but you were also my friend. I know that your in a better place and are not suffering any more. Mrs. Gloria I am still here and always will be. I told Shontell that I would always be there for her and I meant that. Shontell may not be with us in body , but she reamins wtih us in spirit. To Malek, stay strong and remember God is alwasly with you and so is Shontell.##imported-begin##Tammy##imported-end##

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“ Baby, it's been three weeks and I still cannot get over losing you. I miss you so much but I find my peace when I come to this website to read what folks have written about you. I am so proud to have had you for my daughter and friend. I just love you so much!!!##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ I would like to express my deepest sympathies in regard for the loss of your dear loved one.I too have loss those I dearly loved in death. And I know that your hearts are heavy with pain because death is an enemy. What has helped me has been the comforting words of the Bible, which states there is hope for all mankind at death.Revelation 21: 3,4 states there will be an end to death.Keep these words at Isaiah 66:13 in mind. "Like a man whom his own mother keeps comforting, So I myself shall keep comforting you people." May you continue to find support and comfort in one another.##imported-begin##Janice Mitchell##imported-end##

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“ Rest on Shontell! I love you and will always miss talking to you. I thank God for allowing you to have been my friend and I know I will meet you at heaven's gate someday!!!##imported-begin##kim##imported-end##

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“ Today, I woke up and looked around to call you, I suddenly realized that you were not there. Oh, how my heart go out to Mrs. Jeane, everyone could see her heart was so broken. Mrs. Jeane cheer up your baby is okay! Trust God##imported-begin##Someone Special##imported-end##

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“ I love and miss you!!!##imported-begin##mom##imported-end##

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“ I AM SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR FAMILY'S LOSS I DID NOT KNOW SHONTELL WELL BUT I KNEW HER FROM THE CLINIC AND I WAS HURT TO HEAR OF HER PASSING MY BLESSINGS GO OUT TO HER MOTHER WHO WAS HERE WITH HER ALL THE TIME AND ALSO TO HER FAMILY //NO MORE PAIN FOR SHONTELL SHE IS WITH THE LORD AND SHE IS OKAY TRUST GOD##imported-begin##A FRIEND AT JOHNS HOPKINS REGISTRATION##imported-end##

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