



Sonja H. Lacey

April 25, 1938 - January 25, 2019

Sonja H. Lacey passed away January 25, 2019 at the age of 80. Sonja was born April 25, 1938, in St. Louis, MO to Bertha Finley Hill and Lemar Hill. At the age of 12, Sonja was baptized at Mount Zion Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Baker. In her early years, she was artistic and creative. She attended Harriet-Stowe Teacher's College and transferred to Washington University in St. Louis, MO after enrolling in one of their Design programs for a few years. She loved to sew and often designed the clothing, hats, and home accessories for family and friends. She met Warrick Lacey Sr. at a debutante ball in St. Louis, while he was serving in the United States Air Force. He was invited to be her escort and sparks flew. They married once he was discharged from the Air Force. In the early 1960s, Sonja and Warrick moved to Columbus, OH. Sonja worked at the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles until she retired on April 30 of 1999. Sonja loved to travel and enjoyed trips to Mexico, Canada, Costa Rica, and various islands in the Caribbean. She was an avid reader and passed the passion for reading on to her children. Sonja was also a big fan of her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, and as a result attended countless track meets, arts and craft shows, band concerts, football games, wrestling meets, basketball games, cheerleading competitions and dance performances in support of them. In her later years, she served as the primary caregiver to her husband and regularly attended morning water aerobics at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Columbus with lifetime friend Louise Fuller. Sonja will be remembered as a

devoted wife; dear sister; a loving mother, aunt, grandmother, and great-grandmother; a compassionate friend; and above all, a kind and gentle spirit to all who were fortunate enough to cross paths with her. Sonja is preceded in death by her mother, father, and brothers, Lemar and Douglas Hill, and she is survived by her sister, Brenda Thomas; husband, Warrick Lacey Sr.; children, Cassandra Lacey, Valerie Lacey-Jones (Darrell), and Warrick Lacey Jr. (Susan); grandchild, Kondi Lacey Carroll (Brent); grandchildren, Maxwell Lacey-Garita and Dorian Lacey-Garita, as well as their mother, Gerardina Garita; and great-grandchildren, Akira Lacey, Akia Lacey, and Ari Carroll; nieces, LaTonja Thomas Evans (Pete), Karen Hill, Christine Byrd, Kimberly Plummer Moreland, Cheryl Plummer Jackson, Ramona Rhett Foster (Isaac) and great niece, La Tia Thomas; nephews, Lemar Wilkes (Sharon), LaMario Thomas (Barri), Theron Hill, Daniel Plummer Jr., Stanley Rhett, Raymond Rhett III (Mildred) and other extended family members. Join us as we celebrate the life of Sonja on Saturday, February 2, 2019. Friends may call from 2:00pm-3:00pm and Memorial Service to be held at 3:00pm at the Serenity Baptist Church (1402 Smith Road, Columbus OH 43207). Day Funeral Service is honored to serve the family of Sonja H. Lacey.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Serenity Baptist Church
1402 Smith Road
Columbus, OH 43207

Celebration of Life

FEB 2. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Sonja H. Lacey.* ”



February 01, 2019 at 12:50 PM



“ *Sending my condolences to the family although I have only known Mrs. Lacey for just a few months I am truly heartbroken yet very grateful to have been blessed with knowing her I'm sending prayers of strength and comfort as the family goes through this difficult time. And to Mrs. Lacey we will meet again on that cruise of eternal life rest peacefully!* ”



Latosha Williams - February 01, 2019 at 12:07 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sonja H. Lacey.* ”



February 01, 2019 at 10:04 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Sonja H. Lacey.



January 31, 2019 at 10:55 PM



“ *XOXO, Ken and Stephanie* purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Sonja H. Lacey.



XOXO, Ken and Stephanie - January 31, 2019 at 04:29 PM