

You Never Said Goodbye

You never said I'm leaving, You never said goodbye. You were gone before I knew it, And only God knew why. A million times I needed you, A million times I cried. If love alone could have saved you, You never would have died. In life I loved you dearly, In death I love you still. In my heart you hold a place, That no one could ever fill. It broke my heart to lose you, But you didn't go alone, For part of me went with you, The day God took you home.

- Author Unknown



*In Loving Memory
Of My Mother*

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Acknowledgements

The family of Nioki N. Diggs "Nikki", acknowledges with sincere appreciation every act of kindness shown in our hour of bereavement. Your calls, visits, cards, food, flowers, and other acts of kindness have consoled us during this difficult time. Special thanks to Reverend Dr. Joseph L. Coleman, Sr. and Canaan Missionary Baptist Church, DaVita Dialysis Center in Trotwood, the Trotwood Madison School District and all of our family and friends. Thank you for your presence here with us today. May God continue to bless and keep you. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.

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Celebration of Life



Nioki N. Diggs
March 1, 1971 - May 12, 2021

*Funeral Service 11:00 a.m.
Monday, May 24, 2021*

*Mt. Enon M. B. Church
1501 W. Third St., Dayton, OH*

*Rev. Dr. J.L. Coleman, Sr. Eulogist
Rev. William J. Diggs, Officiant*



Sketch of Life

Nioki Nichon Diggs "Nikki", age 50 of Trotwood, OH was born March 1, 1971 in Elkins Park, PA to Reverend William J. Diggs and Joan Scott Diggs. She received a Diploma at Dayton Christian High School and her Bachelor's Degree in Education at Wright State University. Nikki began working for Trotwood Madison School District at Olive Hill Elementary School immediately after graduation. While at Olive Hill, she along with two other teachers started the Olive Hill Gospel Choir. She was then transferred to the Trotwood Middle School where she taught 7th and 8th grade until her health began to fail and she had to retire on Disability after working for the district for over 22 plus years. Nikki was baptized at the age of 6 years old. She was a

member of Canaan M. B. Church and served in the Buds of Promise Choir, the Youth Choir and the Sanctuary Choir and worked with the Youth Choir under the direction of Sister Alma Coleman and Brother Dorrell Mays.

Nikki was a loving and devoted person as well as a loving and devoted mother, daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She had a bubbly personality, was willing to assist wherever needed and was known for her beautiful smile. She loved spending time with her family and friends. She enjoyed music, singing, teaching and working with young people.

On Wednesday, May 12, 2021 Nikki transitioned from this life to be in the presence of the Lord. She was preceded in death by: grandparents, James W. and Gabriel Lena Scott and Willie J. Diggs; (2) aunts, Estella Bellard and Joyce Morris; (3) uncles, Thomas, Patrick and Curtis Diggs; special cousins Terry L. and James Wheeler Scott.

Nikki leaves to cherish precious memories and celebrate her life; her daughter, McKenna Diggs Irons and her parents of Trotwood, OH; (2) brothers, William J. (Jonika Moore) Diggs of Cincinnati, OH and Joshua S. (KiAsha) Diggs of Miamisburg, OH; grandmother, Mrs Willie Mae Diggs of Tulsa, OK; senior cousin, Tessie Diggs Garrett of Oklahoma City, OK; (2) aunts, Lois Diggs of Muskogee, OK and Linda Diggs of St. Louis, MO; (2) uncles, Reverend Michael Diggs of Bartlesville, OK and Byron Diggs of Chicago, IL; (2) nieces, Kamari J. Diggs of Cincinnati, OH and Brooklyn Diggs of Miamisburg, OH; (2) nephews, Kalon C. Pierson and William J. Diggs of Cincinnati, OH; special cousins in Huber Heights, Charles, Glo Butler and family, Anita Chalk, Gerry Pennington and families and Phil Butler; special family friends, Kennon and Rhonda Goff and family, James and Bea Heflin and Family and Ronald and Beverly Humphrey and Family; special friends, Whitney White, Dawn Johnson, Karen Barbee, Annie O'Malley Weatherspoon, Jacqueline Ewing, Donna Taylor, Virginia Reynolds, Elizabeth Reynolds and Annina Younger; father of her daughter, Jeffrey Irons, Sr.

Order of Service

- Processional.....Clergy, Family and Friends
- Musical Prelude.....Soft Music
- Parting View.....The Family
- Scripture Reading.....Clergy
New Testament John 14: 1-6
Old Testament Psalms 23
- Prayer of Comfort.....Clergy
- Musical Selection..... "Thank You for it All"
- Obituary Reading/Poem/Acknowledgements
And Resolutions.....Sister Mary Brooks
- Reflections.....(Please limit to 2 minutes)
- Musical Selection..... "God's Grace"
- Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. Joseph L. Coleman, Sr.
- Recessional.....Clergy, Family and Friends
- Interment.....Shiloh Park Cemetery

Please wear a mask during Service and remember Social Distancing, Thanks.

Psalm 23 - A Psalm of David (nkp)

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. Surely, goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.