

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent those beautiful flowers that we saw sitting there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much for whatever part. Our family deeply appreciates your kind expression of sympathy in our time of great sorrow and pain. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers. We love you all.

Pallbearers

MALCOLM PURCELL
ZACK PURCELL
ARTRELL SAUNDERS
ANDY PEAKS
DAMON JOHNSON
KRISTOFER SAUNDERS
ERNEST WATTS III
RICHARD WATTS JR

Honorary Pallbearers

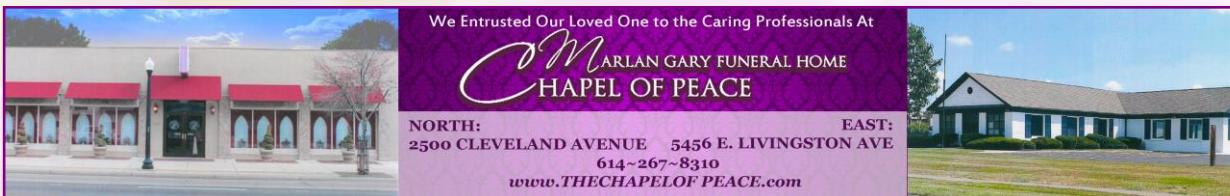
LISA HAYNES (Best Friend)
KIMBERLY BAILEY (Aunt)

Flowerbearers

AMIRA BAILEY
NILAH FLESHMAN



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Celebration of the Life of



Leslie C. Watts

FEBRUARY 5, 1976 ~ JUNE 27, 2021

~Service~

FRIDAY, JULY 9, 2021 ~ 12:00 PM
MARLAN J. GARY FUNERAL HOME

Chapel of Peace North

2500 Cleveland Avenue
Columbus, Ohio

Yasmin Johnson, Eulogizing Minister

Obituary

Leslie C. Watts of Columbus, Ohio unexpectedly earned her wings on June 27, 2021.

Leslie was born in Welch, West Virginia on February 5, 1976 to Crystal Purcell and David Johnson. Leslie attended West High School where she quickly became a track star and made her way up on the Hall of Fame, where her record still remains.

She was preceded in death by her mother Crystal Purcell; grandfather, James Bailey and Brother Davon Hawkins.

Leslie is survived by her father, David Johnson (Yasmin); husband of 12 years, Richard Watts Sr.; sons, Kristofer, Richard Jr and Andy; daughter, Bailey; stepfather, Victor; mother in law, Daisy; sisters, Philicia, Malikah, Danielle, Stephanie and Keya; brothers, David, Damon, Deondre, Davion (Celine), Victor, Delano, Jamel, Malcolm and Zachary; granddaughter, Kyla; grandmother, Clara; best friend, Lisa; close friend of the family, Nate; sister and brother in law, Nicole and Ernest III and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Leslie was a loving wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt, grandmother and friend. She was a warrior, and a fighter. She was humble, full of laughter and love with an infectious smile that could light up any room.

Leslie will be Profoundly Missed.



May I Go Now?

*May I go now?
Do you think the time is right?
May I say goodbye to pain filled days
and endless lonely nights?
I've lived my life and done my best,
an example tried to be.
So can I take that step beyond
and set my spirit free?*

*I didn't want to go at first,
I fought with all my might.
But something seems to draw me now
to a warm and loving light.
I want to go, I really do.
It's difficult to stay.
But I will try as best I can
to live just one more day.*

*To give you time to care for me
and share your love and fears.
I know you're sad and afraid,
because I see your tears.
I'll not be far,
I promise that, and hope you'll always know
that my spirit will be close to you
wherever you may go.*

*Thank you so for loving me.
You know I love you too,
that's why it's hard to say goodbye
and end this life with you.
So hold me now just one more time
and let me hear you say,
because you care so much for me,
you'll let me go today.*

Order of Celebration

ORGAN PRELUDE.....	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
PARTING VIEW	Immediate Family
SCRIPTURE READING	Charlene Dawkins
Old Testament	Isaiah 41:10
New Testament.....	I Peter 5:7
PRAYER.....	Yasmin Johnson
SELECTION.....	Never Would Have Made It
REMARKS	Family & Friends (2 minutes, please)
READING OF OBITUARY	Silently
SELECTION..... "For Your Glory"	Diamond Valentine (Jamie Bro-ASL)
<i>The Eulogy</i> YASMIN JOHNSON	
CLOSING PRAYER.....	Yasmine Johnson
RECESSIONAL.....	Clergy, Family & Friends
<i>Interment</i> SUNSET CEMETERY	

*I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me
 though he were dead yet shall he live.
And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.*
~John 11:25-26

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the road
 And the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
 Why cry for a soul set free!*

*Miss me a little, but not for long,
And not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love we once shared,
 Miss me but let me go!*

*For this a journey we all must take,
 And each must go alone;
It's all a part of the Master's plan
 A step on the road to home.*

*When you are lonely and sick of heart
 Go to the friends we know,
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds,
 Miss me but let me go.*

