



Denise Bonita Bryan

August 28, 1954 - April 11, 2011

On April 11, 2011, God sounded his trumpet for his angels to bring Denise Bonita Bryan home. She spent 56 years, 7 months and 14 days on this earth.

The late Hugh Leslie and Geraldine Marie (Prillerman) Bryan were blessed with twins, Donna and Donald, and triplets, Diane, Denise and Darlene. Denise and her sisters were born August 28, 1954 in Manhattan, New York.

Raised in the city of Trenton, New Jersey, Denise excelled in many areas of studies and fine arts. This carried her to Virginia Union University where she studied early childhood development and elementary education, which gave her the creative edge to touch the lives of many people.

Later in life, Denise brought to the world three children, Damian, Nyjah and Amanda. She lost her son, Nyjah in 2007.

In the year 2000, Denise left the city life to be with her family in St. Robert, Missouri. For the last eleven years, she became a well-known resident of the St. Robert community. She worked in the lodging industry and at Taco Bell, where she was known to everyone as Denise "Mama D" Bryan.

Denise professed her faith and was baptized at Greater Community Missionary Baptist Church in St. Robert, Missouri.

Denise was dearly loved, and will be very sadly missed by two children: Damian Bryan (Joshlyn Kimbrough) and Amanda Bryan (DeCarlos Morrow) all of St. Robert; daughter-in-law: Kiesha Haggard; siblings: Diane Bryan (Leroy Day, Jr.), Darlene Brown, Donna Scarfe and Donald Bryan; grandchildren: Iyanna T. and Camryn C. Bryan, Nyjah Bryan, Jr., Amonie and Jaylin Jackson, Nathan, Nick and Keashawn Haggard, Michael Robinson along with several extended family grandchildren; nieces: Liana, Diahjanique, Tiara and Jah-Nyah Bryan, Kimberly and Sarah Scarfe, Geraldine Brown, and Jasmine, Jessica, Janiqua Haggard and several extended family nieces; nephews: Dominique and Elliott Scarfe, Kyle and Kenneth Brown and several extended family nephews; God children: Taneisha Haggard, Tasha Clark, Amber Robinson, Raymond and Jermaine Haggard; many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 19, 2011 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert with Minister James Campbell officiating. Denise's sister, Donna M. Scarfe, read Scripture and led the congregation in responsive readings. Diahjanique Bryan and Tiara Durr sang a song that they had written in memory of Denise. Denise's children, Damian and Amanda, read the obituary and Tasha Clark, Denise's goddaughter, read a beautiful poem in honor of Denise. The songs "Pass Me Over", "Song for Mama", "Don't Cry for Me", "Your Tears" and "I Still Smile" were played. Serving as escorts were Damian Bryan, Tristan Clark, Raymond Haggard, DeCarlos Morrow, Nyjah Bryan-Haggard, Charles Little, Lewis Scale and Fred Wilson.

Burial followed in the Waynesville Memorial Park Cemetery. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Denise Bryan and may be

left at the funeral home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Denise Bonita Bryan*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - April 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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*Hey y'all it's Kraig from Hamilton '86 I just searched for Darlene and all of Ms Geraldine's tribe because I miss you soooo yall were my saviors,my family I just discovered this post.and I'm so sorry for your loss ...
Please holler back if /when you can
~peace be
Kraig Patterson -bōpi
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Brooklyn NY 11213*

Kraig Patterson - November 05, 2025 at 07:23 AM



“ *Denise Bonita Bryan*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ To diane you and your sister have always been like sisters to me, so losing her is like losing a member of my family. To the rest of the bryan family PLEASE ACCEPT MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES AT THIS TIME OF DEEP LOSS. dENISE YOU ARE NOW A PERFECT ANGEL IN HEAVEN BUT FOR US LEFT HERE ON EARTH WE WILL MISS YOU DEARLY. gO FLY GIRL AND SHAKE YOUR TAILFEATHER UP THERE. say hi to nijah##imported-begin##beth morris##imported-end##

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“ tO THE BRYAN FAMILY MY DEEPEST SYMPATHIES GO OUT TO YOUR WHOLE FAMILY AT THIS HOUR OF GRIEF. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND GIVE YOU STRENGTH TO CARRY ON . dENISE WAS A WONDERFUL WOMAN WHO WILL BE SORELY MISSED BUT NEVER EVER FORGOTTEN.##imported-begin##ELLEN ROGERS##imported-end##

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“ Diane and family our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family. Denise will always be in our hearts and memories. When we had our company gatherings and awards we would get out there and just dance away and be happy. Denise is in heaven right now dancing away and smiling down at us "you go girl !". We will miss you my friend.##imported-begin##Red and crew##imported-end##

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“ Denise will be missed by all..my thoughts and prayers are with all friends and family !

Shannon###imported-begin##Shannon Counts###imported-end##

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“ Diane you and your family have our deepest sympathy. Your sister Denise was like a firecracker always ready to pop. she will be missed dearly. But God has taken you into his hands and will help you get through this. God Bless you and your family. Find strength in the Lord and you will be ok.###imported-begin##Carmen Calloway and the 50 complex###imported-end##

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“ To the Bryan family. with deepest sympathy. my prayers goes out to you. Denise was a nice person small but big at heart. she will be miss by a lot of people. rest in peace denise###imported-begin##louise ward###imported-end##

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