



Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley

June 19, 1952 - August 22, 2022

August 22, 2022, our beloved Dianne entered into eternal life.

Dianne Marie McKinley was born on June 19, 1952, in New Orleans, LA. She was the daughter of the late Douglas Sr. and Ernestine Harris Mims. She accepted Jesus Christ at an early age and attended Victory World Church, Norcross, GA at the time of her passing.

Dianne graduated from Catholic of Pointe Coupee High School, New Roads, LA. She subsequently graduated from Spencer Community College in Baton Rouge obtaining an AA in Business. Shortly after graduation, Dianne's desire for adventure caused her to leave the small farming community of Maringouin, Louisiana which she called home, to the big city life of Los Angeles, CA. She worked in various industries before settling into accounting and banking as a career path for many years. Dianne eventually tapped into her creative talents and opened Lady Di's Gift Shop.

In 1973 Dianne married John McKinley. Dianne and John welcomed two daughters (Indie and Diesha) and one son Mekonnen into their world as they lived and worked in Southern California until moving to Atlanta, GA in 1993. They were loving parents to all three instilling in them a work ethic and faith that would enable them to achieve success in their own lives.

In Atlanta Dianne worked for many years as an account auditor for Ricoh-USA from which she would retire in 2018.

Through all her years, Dianne was always the life of the party. Her smile could light up a room and she loved to dance. She became affectionately known as Lady Di, Lady D and Grandee to her grandchildren. Dianne brought joy into many lives, she had a large heart and will be remembered for being the light in any dark room and making herself available to help anyone in their times of need. Dianne touched many lives by allowing the Holy Spirit to use her, through the gifts she possessed, her wisdom, knowledge, beauty, and compassion. For all those she touched, the experience while different for each, was impactful to all.

Her infectious smile and graceful countenance will be remembered, and most assuredly missed by all!

Dianne is preceded in death by her parents, brother, Warren Mims and sisters, Brenda Coleman, and Ida Mae Wiltz. She is survived by her former spouse, John McKinley, their devoted children, Indie Q. McKinley-Shaffer (Ronn), Mekonnen M. McKinley, Diesha J. Williams (John-Christopher); grandchildren, Jayce Shaffer, R'eyahn Shaffer, Ivan Shaffer, Ivy Shaffer, Mikhail McKinley, Cailyn McKinley, Bryce Williams, Caleb Williams and Deja Williams; brothers, Douglas (Patricia) Mims of Baton Rouge, LA, Donald (Terri) Mims of Menifee, CA and Dwayne Mims of Maringouin, LA; sisters, Mable (Charles) Clayborne of Los Angeles, CA, Wanda Faye (Elvin) Augustus of Maringouin, LA, Sandra (Edward) Flora of Groveland, FL and a host of Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews and Friends.

Dianne McKinley's service will be recorded and streamed live. In the event the service is interrupted at any time due to technical issues, the entire service will be uploaded and available to view by the next business day. Please copy and

paste the link to share, or simply click on the link to view the service:

<https://vimeo.com/event/2385108>

Service entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-
Lawrenceville; 770.338.5558

Cemetery Details

Peachtree Memorial Park

5051 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard
Norcross, GA 30092

Previous Events

Visitation (Mask Required)

SEP 1. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett and Sons - Gwinnett Chapel
914 Scenic Hwy
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

Celebration of Life - Livestreamed (Mask Required)

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley*



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - August 29, 2022 at 09:23 AM

BD

My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you guys on the loss of Dianne. I will always remember her welcoming smile and admired her strength and faith in God. I pray for strength and solace for you all at the time. Love your cousin Brenda L. Davis

Brenda L Davis - September 02, 2022 at 01:19 PM

RM

“ *May the sweet memories of Dianne give you comfort! What a beautiful lady!*

Rosalind Harris Marchand

Rosalind Marchand - September 07, 2022 at 02:51 PM

EF

“ *We would like to extend our condolences to the family. May God you through his word the Bible and the gift of prayer. Thinking of you all.*

Evans family - September 04, 2022 at 08:39 AM

CH

“ *Condolences to the family of Dianne McKinney*

Curtis Harris - September 03, 2022 at 12:14 AM

GS

“ *We extend our heartfelt condolences to the Family of Mrs. Dianne Mims McKinley. May you find comfort in the knowledge that Dianne lived a life of purpose and is now with the Lord and may that same Jesus grant you the strength to continue her legacy of Faith and good works. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*

*With Sympathy,
Thomas A. Levy HS
Class of 1970 & Sponsors*

Ginger F. Smith - September 01, 2022 at 10:27 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley.*



September 01, 2022 at 01:08 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley.*



September 01, 2022 at 11:09 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley.*



September 01, 2022 at 07:26 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley.*



August 31, 2022 at 06:37 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Dianne Marie McKinley.*



August 31, 2022 at 01:46 PM