



Re'jer Ayanna Finklin

August 21, 2016

Ms. Réjer Ayanna Finklin, 39, of Decatur, Georgia entered into eternal rest on August 21, 2016. She was preceded in death by her father, Mr. Jerry Finklin. Réjer was a 1995 graduate of Southwest DeKalb High School in Decatur, Georgia where she was also a proud member of the Marching Panther Band and 1996 Olympic Band. She was also a 1999 graduate of the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia where she also received her Master of Education degree in 2004 and was in the process of completing her PhD in Educational Administration and Policy. While at the University, she became a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. where she participated in numerous community service activities. Réjer taught social sciences at Washington-Wilkes Comprehensive High School for 7 years prior to becoming a psychometrist for Georgia State University (previously Georgia Perimeter College). While working for Georgia State University, Réjer was elected as a University Staff Senator and became a part-time instructor. She was also an active member of Rush Memorial Congregational United Church of Christ where she served in numerous positions and was currently the Treasurer. While Réjer was proud of all of these activities and accomplishments, that which she was most proud was her church and her family who will remember her for her compassion, wisdom, humorous outlook on life, unflinching views of society in a political context, love of UGA, and always, always her love for God, family, and friends. Réjer leaves to cherish her memories her mother, Regina Finklin, her sister, Marilyn Finklin and her fiancé, David Powers. She is also survived by a host

of uncles, aunts, cousins, God parents, and close friends. Visitation will be held Friday, August 26, 2016 from 10 AM to 7 PM at Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, 4347 Flat Shoals Parkway, Decatur, Georgia 30034. A wake service in which the family will receive guests will also be held at the funeral home Friday, August 26, 2016 from 7:15 PM until 8:15 PM. The funeral service will be held August 27, 2016 at 12 PM at Virginia-Highlands United Church of Christ, 743 Virginia Ave N.E., Atlanta, GA 30306. Burial: Kennedy Memorial Gardens, 2500 River Rd., Ellenwood, GA. Please visit our website to extend condolences. www.levettfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Had the pleasure of working with Réjer when she taught in Wilkes County. She was a delightful and knowledgeable person that was a joy to be around. I was her department head in Social Studies. She loved her students and they loved her. So sad to hear the news but we know she is lying in the arms of the angels.

Booker Jackson - September 07, 2016 at 11:30 AM

CW

“ I work at UGA in the Department of Educational Administration and Policy and knew Rejer when she was a Graduate Assistant. She was one of the nicest, sweetest, kindest person that I have ever known. To her family, I will keep you in my prayers. I am sure she is greatly missed. Cindy and Rodger Williams

Cindy & Rodger Williams - August 28, 2016 at 10:22 PM

MC

“ With deepest sympathy in the loss of such a sweet spirit. May God continue to comfort you in this time. We love you, the Hatten Family, Birmingham, Alabama.

Malinda Hatten Coleman - August 26, 2016 at 11:39 AM

FL

“ From Jerry and Barbara Ledbetter purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Re'jer Ayanna Finklin.



From Jerry and Barbara Ledbetter - August 26, 2016 at 09:56 AM

RL

“ May you be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding you & Marilyn! Rejer truly will be miss but God needed another angel in heaven. RIP Great Niece 💖 u Aunt Rosa & Family 🙏🙏



RICov - August 25, 2016 at 09:27 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Re'jer Ayanna Finklin.



August 25, 2016 at 09:21 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Re'jer Ayanna Finklin.



August 25, 2016 at 02:24 PM

QJ

“ With deepest sympathy and many kind thoughts for you. (Q P & Jack Jones)

Q.P. Jones, Jr. - August 25, 2016 at 01:08 PM

AS

Regina and Marilyn, I share your grief and know that "We Shall Overcome" because of God Almighty and the spirit of Rush Memorial Congregational United Church of Christ(Regina, you will remember our togetherness in the "Movement"). I pray that God will be with you during your grieving days and you stand by each other and receive the prayers of the righteous.

Sincerely,

Artis Spencer

Artis Spencer - August 29, 2016 at 10:41 AM