



## Mrs. Sonya Lorette Harris-Merritt

April 18, 1965 - April 9, 2023

Sonya Lorette Harris-Merritt was born on April 18, 1965, in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She was the firstborn of identical twins to her mother Johnnie Kay Favors and the eldest of four: Sarita Favors, Roosevelt Weaver, and Renita Terry.

She was a proud graduate of Booker T. Washington High School in Atlanta, GA, where she attended night school, graduating with the Class of 1999. She was a very determined, strong-willed, and hard-working woman who set her mind to a task and accomplished it no matter what. She instilled in her children the same work ethic by constantly reminding them to work for what they want. Nobody is going to give you anything.

Sonya worked for the State of Georgia in the Department of Child Support Services with over 30 years of experience serving her community. She finally had the privilege of retiring at the young age of 53.

Sonya is survived by her husband whom she married in September of 2008, Jengaji Harris-Merritt as well as her three children from her first marriage: Azelius Favors, Shannon Miller, and Simeon Nunnally. She also leaves her 5 grandchildren whom she loved and adored: Shania Arniece Nunnally, Gabrielle Shaniece Nunnally, Shaylan Brian Ware, Shari Mae Nunnally & Darian Latrell Nunnally

She was a dearly devoted member of the Gathering of Church and Christ (GOCC) where she was united with loving sisters who stood by her side and grew a strong spiritual bond.

Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory  
Lawrenceville 770-338-5558

# Cemetery Details

## Eternal Hills Memory Gardens

3700 Stone Mountain Hwy  
Snellville, GA 30039

# Previous Events

## Graveside Celebration of Life

APR 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Eternal Hill Cemetery  
3594 Stone Mountain Highway  
Snellville, GA 30039

# Tribute Wall

BH

“ Sincere condolences to the family. There are no words to minimize or remove what you are experiencing at this time. May the best attributes of Mrs. Sonya Lorette Harris-Merritt live on through each and every one she has made an impact.

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**Brian Hughes** - April 14, 2023 at 11:07 AM

SS

“ This deeply saddens me. My condolences and prayers to the family. It was a great pleasure to work with Sonya. She had a wealth of knowledge in the field and she was always eager to train, share, and encourage growth. I am very thankful that I got to work and get to know her. She really helped shaped me into the worker that I am. I am forever thankful. She will be missed.

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**Sharon Stokes** - April 13, 2023 at 03:43 PM

MI

“ One of my favorite people in the world. We worked a couple of years together before she retired. Those years we worked together will forever remain precious to me. I will never forget that every morning before work started, she would encourage me to grow personally and professionally. Sonya was so funny, very smart and extremely kindhearted. She will truly be missed.

*My condolences to her family and all those that love her.*

*Middlebrooks*

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**Middlebrooks** - April 13, 2023 at 03:19 PM

LH

“ This news definitely saddens me. Sonya and I worked together many years ago and became very close. She was smart, energetic, had a smile that would light up a room, and a laugh that was contagious. No matter what was going on at work or in our personal lives, she always had some nugget or words of encouragement to share. My sincerest condolences and prayers to her family, friends, and all those who love her.

*La Kia Hardy*

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**La Kia Hardy** - April 13, 2023 at 01:57 PM

JM

“ My deepest heartfelt condolences to the family. Sonya had a presence of nobility and a strength that rose above all She was dealing with. Sonya will be missed, she had a light that shined and she touched us all.

*I pray The Most High wraps His loving arms around you all and grants you all peace that surpasses all understanding. I pray The Most High gives you all strength, comforts, and healing heart knowing Sonya is resting well in the Bosom of Abraham.*

*The Most High is our rock, and our refuge!*

*Sis Sonya's life is a celebration, a celebration of unwavering faith and trust in The Most High God through Christ and The Holy Spirit*

*In faith, we turn to The Most High God 🙏 our rock and stay!*

*Blessings, and Peace to you all.*

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**Janice Modeste** - April 13, 2023 at 10:50 AM

KW

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. I am so sadden by this loss. Sonya was such a bright light. A sweet loving spirit and a dedicated sister of our church body. She fought a valiant fight and truly set an example of strength, grace and endurance. She will truly be missed by us all. May the Most High accept her beautiful soul in the Bosom of Abraham.

*Sis. Kim Wiggins*

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**Kim Wiggins** - April 12, 2023 at 12:36 PM

LB

“ Oh Sonya, this saddens me so much. I'm so grateful to have worked with you. I got to know you personally and professionally, which were both a pleasure. I pray for your eternal peace and extra prayers for your love ones.

*LaSwanda Brown*

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**LaSwanda Brown** - April 12, 2023 at 11:18 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sonya Lorette Harris-Merritt.



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April 12, 2023 at 10:54 AM

LH

“ I worked with Sonya and she always demonstrated patience and concern for others. She will be missed. Praying for peace and comfort to the family.

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**Ladonya Massie Horton** - April 11, 2023 at 06:01 PM

BH

*Very sadden to hear of the passing of Sonya, but I want to reflect on her life and the time spent working with her at The Child Support Office, I remember a lot of very good and positive things about her and that included her caring spirit, not to mention that sweet smile when she talked about her grandkids you will be missed Sonya, I am Praying for the family for peace & comfort during this very difficult time,.*

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**Brenda Huff-Hart** - April 11, 2023 at 11:24 PM

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*To my nephews, Deion and Simeon and my niece, Shannon and to the entire family, my deepest and sincere condolences on the loss of a such a beautiful soul and Woman. Sonya was not only my Sister In Law but my Sister and my Sister In Christ. She will surely be missed. Praying for strength and healing for the entire family. Alicia Farley*

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**Alicia Farley** - April 12, 2023 at 06:16 PM