

# LINDA MARIE (SHEFFIELD) RUTHERFORD

September 17, 1955 - October 23, 2024



Linda Marie Rutherford, cherished mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt, and dear friend left this world peacefully on October 23, 2024, to be with the Lord. Her life was a testament to love, resilience, and unwavering devotion to family.

Born on September 17, 1955, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to Corrine and Lonnie, Linda was the fourth of nine children. She grew up surrounded by family, and from an early age, she took on the role of caregiver, supporting her siblings and building a bond that would hold the family together through every chapter. Linda's nurturing spirit became a hallmark of her life, leaving an indelible mark on all those she loved.

For over 40 years, Linda dedicated herself to the Allegheny County Department of Human Services, where her compassionate heart touched countless lives. A model of determination and financial wisdom, she set an example by paying off her home early, embodying the principles of stability and foresight that she hoped to pass on to those around her.

Her greatest pride and joy were her children, Kenneth and Tamika, to whom she devoted her heart and energy. Linda's teachings of kindness, resilience, and faith are woven into their lives and passed down to her beloved granddaughters. She cherished her role as Grandma and filled each moment with love and laughter, creating memories that will live on in the hearts of her family.

Linda's faith and joyful spirit were evident in all she did. She found happiness in simple pleasures, such as attending church, shopping, traveling, and going to the casino. She was a beloved presence at family gatherings, known for her warmth and the effortless way she made everyone feel cherished.

She leaves behind a legacy of love and kindness that continues through her children, Kenneth (Jessica) and Tamika (Jimmy); her grandchildren, Natalya, Zariah, and Gianna; and her siblings Josephine, Lonnie, Ralph (Shelly), Linwood, Todd, and Karen. She is survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends who loved her dearly. She joins in peace her mother, Corrine, and siblings, Stanley and Corrine, who preceded her in death.

A celebration of Linda's life will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at Manna From On High Ministries, 416 Franklin St., East Pittsburgh, PA 15112. We invite family and friends to gather for a viewing at 9:30 a.m., followed by a service at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Allegheny Cemetery, 4734 Butler St., Pittsburgh, PA 15201. A repast will be held afterward at Manna From On High Ministries.

Rest in peace, dear Linda. Your love, strength, and legacy will forever remain in our hearts.

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