



Obituary

Died: Tuesday, July 2, 2019

On July 2, 2019 at 5:00 p.m., Darlene Ransom, 65, was called home to be with the Lord having her loving sister Dora at her side.

Darlene was born December 28, 1953, in Indianapolis, Indiana. She was one of four children born to Leon and Rosalee Ransom. Growing up on the near west side of Indianapolis, Darlene attended I.P.S. #42 and graduated from Crispus Attucks High School in 1972. Darlene was an impassioned seeker of knowledge and always sought opportunities to expand her skills to put them to work serving others. In 1974, Darlene earned her Medical Assistant Diploma from the Indiana College of Business. She went on to complete her Bachelor of Science degree from Martin University in 2010.

Having professed her faith in Christ at an early age, Darlene was united with the Messiah Missionary Baptist Church where she served faithfully throughout her life. Born with Sickle Cell Anemia, it was her faith that ignited a determination within Darlene to live boldly, live with purpose and constantly be of service to others. At Messiah Missionary Baptist Church under the stewardship of Pastor Stephen J. Clay she served in the Choir, and as President of the Deaconess Board. Throughout her adult life, she served at the Martin Center Sickle Cell Initiative. She regularly attended the Bellamy Sickle Cell Update Seminar hosted by the State of Ohio Department of Health. Darlene focused on education, awareness and the care of children with Sickle Cell. She earned certificates from William N. Wishard Memorial Health Services and I.U.P.U.I. in Child Care Services. Darlene LOVED CHILDREN! She was very instrumental in the lives of all her nieces and nephews and formally served many by offering Child Care Service in her home.

Darlene was united in Holy Matrimony to David L. Tinson, who preceded her in death. Together they resided in Las Vegas, Nevada and later returned to Indianapolis where they both actively worked to promote Sickle Cell Awareness.

Being in the presence of Darlene you would not know that she battled Sickle Cell Anemia all her life. She was vibrant, always on the go until that moment when her condition would force a pause, which Sickle Cell patients commonly refer to as a "Crisis." A Crisis never held Darlene for long. She loved to travel; especially to see family members who lived throughout the U. S. Darlene was a Jane Brown prodigy, having modeled with The House of Jayne as a young adult. She also loved fashion. It was common to see Darlene stylistically appropriate with nice shoes and a matching purse.

To cherish her memories, Darlene leaves her sister, Dora Lee Harding (Howard); brothers, Melvin Mark Ransom and Darryl Lamont Ransom (Ilona); her aunt, Odessa Cannedy, a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to:

Martin Center Sickle Cell Initiative

3545 North College Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46205

Checks can be made out to "The Martin Center",

Service Summary

Visitation

9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, Fri Jul 12, 2019

Messiah Missionary Baptist Church

5640 East 38th Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46226

Celebration of Life

11:00 AM Fri Jul 12, 2019

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or Online donations at <http://themartincenter.org/>

Humbly Submitted.....Your Family