



Ms. Birteal Erwin

August 2, 1949 - August 14, 2022

HER LIFE REFLECTED

Born, August 2, 1949, in Chicago, to the union of Myrtle and Cornelius Flowers, Birteal was the second of six children. Her parents and stepfather, Theodore Rush preceded her in death. Birteal accepted Christ at an early age and was called to teach her sibling the Lord's Prayer. Well into adulthood she was a long-time member of Apostolic Church of God and was baptized in the mid 1980's, under the spiritual leadership of Bishop Arthur M. Brazier.

Birteal attended James Madison grade school and graduated from Hirsch High School in 1967. She pursued vocational training in court reporting and established a lengthy career as an executive assistant with Walter Heller. Later retiring in 2005, as a tenured 411 operator with ATT.

In 1968, she married Derek Erwin Sr. and to that union Derek Erwin Jr. was born. She raised her son with longtime partner James Weddington. Birteal was a devoted grandmother to Brittany, Alexis, and Maya and a proud great-grandmother to Aidan. She leaves behind sisters: Francine, Tina (Michael) and Dallastine. Her two brothers Dwain and Theodore preceded her in death. A beloved Aunt to Cherie, Ramon, Asia, Quiana, Tina, Isaac, Dwayne, Casandra, Belinda, Yarmel, Jeremy, Krystal, Jerrell, James, Joshua, Chrystophore, Ashley, and Cameron. Along with a host of great-nieces and

nephews, cousins, and longtime childhood friend Willa.

Birteal, affectionally called “Birt” by her closest friends and family, loved music and dancing, enjoyed knitting and crocheting in her youth, high fashion and she could also be considered a foodie. In 2015, she took her dream vacation to London, England and Paris, France which fueled her love for Downton Abbey the European based television series and movie franchise.

Birteal was generous, had a great sense of humor with an infectious laugh and beautiful smile.

Birteal made her transition on Sunday, August 14, 2022, of natural causes in her longtime southside townhome. She is loved and will be missed dearly, her legacy and the very best of her spirit will live on.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Service

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