

PALLBEARERS

Travis Stewart
Jonas Rutledge
Karatee Banks

Junior Suttle
Derrill Davis
Lemon Wilson, Sr.

FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Eastside High School Class of 1992
Family & Friends

INTERMENT

Forest Meadows Memorial Park Central
4100 Northwest 39th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32606

REPAST

The Residence of Tamika Rutledge
2120 Northeast 4th Avenue
Gainesville, Florida

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of Dwan M. Rutledge are truly humbled by the expressions of love, sympathy, and kindness which has been shown during this difficult time in our lives. Your acts of thoughtfulness are a source of comfort and encouragement to each of us. May God's greatest blessings be with each of you as you share in our sorrow.

*Yours in Christian Love,
The Family*

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*Homegoing
Celebration
for*

Dwan
M. RUTLEDGE

Sunrise
August 6, 1973

Sunset
February 2, 2023

Saturday, February 11, 2023 | 12:00 PM

FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
2905 Southeast 21st Avenue | Gainesville, Florida 32641

*Bishop Christopher Stokes, Presiding
Pastor Kevin Thorpe, Eulogist*



A Glimpse into the Life of **DWAN** MARIJUANA RUTLEDGE

D*wan* was born on August 6, 1973, in Gainesville, FL, to Linda Calhoun and Charles Rutledge. She graduated from Eastside High School and worked for Bear Archery for twenty years. Dwan was a member of Faith Missionary Baptist Church. She served faithfully for many years on the Usher Board.

On February 2, 2023, Dwan passed away at the ET York Haven Hospice Center in Gainesville, FL.

Those left to cherish her precious memories: her children, Ashford and Imani Rutledge, and granddaughter, Aunesty Rutledge, all of Gainesville, FL; parents, Linda (Walter) Calhoun and Charles (Maxine) Rutledge; three sisters, Yolanda Rutledge, Tamika Rutledge, and Amanda Rutledge; aunts, Bonnie (Dennis) Rutledge, Annette (Johnny) Griffin, Mary Ann Sutton, Ida Mae (Roosevelt) Rowles, Glenda Sawyer, and Loretta Rutledge; uncles, Arthur Harris, Ray and Larry Sawyer, Denis, Michael and Phillip Rutledge, and David (Cherly) Favor; great aunt, Julia Martin; great uncle, Willie Martin; devoted nieces and nephews, Kashard, Kashayla, Travis, Natalayah, Teniya, Alayana, and Londyn; one great-niece, Chasidee; one great-nephew, Little Travis; she leaves behind a very close friend, Gary Evans; and a host of cousins and other friends.

The Day You Left Me



*The moment that you left me
My heart split in two
One side filled with memories
The other side died with you
I often lay awake at night
When the world is fast asleep
And take a walk down memory lane
With tears upon my cheek
Remembering you is easy
I do it everyday
But missing you is a heartache
That never goes away
I hold you tightly within my heart
And there you will remain
As my life goes on without you
But will never be the same.*



Thank You, Dwan(e)

Dwane aka Dwan, I said almost half of this to you before and I'll proudly say it again. You were more than Aunt, you were like a second mother to me as far as I can remember. You supported me just as much as my mother did with anything, that's something you didn't have to do but you did and I appreciate that. You were always curious about what I would do next....lol Um, I still don't know. You were someone I could joke with and it not be taken seriously. You were someone who laughed and listen to my corny jokes. You were someone who if we did have a "rough encounter" it would be about how you would call me bougie because I like Target over Walmart and I would defend Target like I owned it. I'm going to miss those Friday afternoons when we would discuss what we're eating for lunch. I'm going to miss playing cards with you almost every Friday or Saturday night. I'm going to miss our car karaoke, knowing both of us can't sing. Overall, I'm just going to miss seeing and talking to you every day. As much as you supported me and were there for me, it was important to me that I be there for you mentally and physically, unknowingly for your final 10 months of life. As much as it hurts for me to see you go, unselfishly, I would rather that than to see and hear you suffer or in pain. This is not a goodbye because I will see you again. This is just me telling you how much I appreciate you for things that might be little to others but was big to me, your presence never went unnoticed. Unfortunately, the time we had here was temporary, but I do hope the next time I see you; you remember me just as much as I'm going to remember you.

I love you, Dwane!
You will be truly missed, until next time.

Daughter from another mother, Natalayah



Order of Service

Bishop Christopher Stokes, Presiding

Processional

Selection

Invocation Reverend Johnny Griffin

Solo Daniel Williams

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Minister Bonnie Means

New Testament Minister Sam Cornell

Selection

Reflections *Two Minutes, Please*

As a Co-Worker Mark

As a Niece Natalayah

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Resolutions & Acknowledgements

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Selection

Words of Encouragement Pastor Kevin Thorpe

Recessional

