

A portrait of Crystal L. Dodson Pulley, a Black woman with short dark hair, wearing glasses and a red top. She is smiling and holding a bouquet of pink and white roses. The background is a soft, out-of-focus floral pattern.

SUNRISE

APRIL 13, 1974

SUNSET

AUGUST 6, 2022

Celebration of Life

Crystal
L. DODSON PULLEY
"Crysti"

- Funeral Service -

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2022

Viewing 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM • Service 9:00 AM

ROYERSFORD CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

445 Washington Street • Royersford, PA 19468

Peter Clarke, Pastor

The Life Journey of **CRYSTAL LEA DODSON-PULLEY**

Crystal Lea Dodson-Pulley, affectionately known as Crysti, was born on April 13, 1974 in Bryn Mawr, PA. She was unexpectedly called home on August 6, 2022.

Crysti was a graduate of West Chester East High School. She then attended The Real HU, Hampton University, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Communicative Disorders and Sciences. She later went on to obtain her Master's degree in the field of Healthcare Administration from St. Joseph's University.

Crysti dedicated her career to helping those with special needs. To further support the neurodivergent community, she became the proud and deserving owner and operator of Employment 1st, LLC.

She played soccer, volleyball and threw the shotput in high school. She prioritized experiences over things for both herself and her loved ones, including self-care, traveling, fine dining, spending time with family and making memories to last a lifetime. In 2010, she married the love of her life, Christopher Lee Pulley. Both Chris and Crysti value family and were ecstatic to welcome their adored son, Miles Christopher Pulley, in 2012.

Crysti was so laid-back, she walked around horizontally. Despite being the baby sister, she was the tallest of her siblings. She enjoyed dancing and singing loudly in her car, making kids into live instruments and whooping up on her family on game nights. Her smile brightened every room so you couldn't stay mad around her for long. She and her husband enjoyed corny matching outfits and got a kick out of the similarity of their names.

Crysti was a pillar of the community and touched lives both near and far. She held the role of President of the Valentine Family Reunion Association and was a member of the Perkiomen Valley Chamber of Commerce and the 422 Business Alliance. She was a past member of 2nd Baptist Church in Wayne, Rhema Worship Center in Spring City and was currently serving at Royersford Church of the Nazarene in Royersford, PA.

Crysti will be greatly missed and leaves her love and legacy to be carried on by her family and friends, including her husband and son Christopher and Miles Pulley, parents Paul and Ressie Dodson, mother in law Sherry E Pulley, sisters Kimberly Ward (Steven Ward), Dorothy Kineard, sisters in law, Tara M Ryans and Gretchen Pulley, brother in law Anthony Pulley, Sr., nieces and nephews Deann Ward, Paula Ward, Malik Kineard, Jaidyn Kineard, Hala Ryans, Hali Ryans, Horace Ryans, Anthony Pulley Jr., Godmother Rev. Sondra Hunter, her beloved Godchildren and close friends Renee Wright McHenry, JoAnn Daley, Cephie Ann Noel, and Lisa Payne. She was also excited for the birth of her first great-niece Nylah.

She now gets to meet and live eternally with her grandparents, brother-in-law, Steven Kineard, and father-in-law, Emanwel "Pop" Pulley to name a few.



I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.*

*I took his hand when I heard his call,
I turned my back and left it all.*

*I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.*

*Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.*

*A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.*

*My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.*

*Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

Order of Service

Music Prelude

Processional Clergy & Family

Final Viewing

Opening Song "What A Friend We Have in Jesus"

Prayer of Comfort Pastor Flora J. Anderson

Scripture Reading

Old Testament – Psalm 23 Steven Ward

New Testament – John 14:1-6 Elijah Griffin

Acknowledgement of all acts of kindness Claire Rivera

Solo – "Going Up Yonder" Deacon David White

Reflections Rev. Sondra L. Hunter

Christopher L. Pulley

Silent Reading of the Obituary

Eulogy Pastor Peter Clarke

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Recessional Clergy & Family

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Abe Floyd

Ralph Pratt

Bruce A. Reason

Rodney E. Reason

Gregory Pulley

Lyle Roebuck

Anthony W. Pulley, Jr.

Charles Sutton, Jr.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Malik Kineard

Troy Kane

Elijah Griffin

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Our family acknowledges with gratitude the many comforting expressions of love and sympathy extended during our time of sorrow. It lifted our hearts to know that you care. May God continue to bless each of you.

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