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Deana will truly be missed by her beloved husband Jean Pierre; daughters: Victoria and Kortnei; and sons: Christopher and Chase; her father Bobby Bynum; her best friend and sister Sekena Bynum; her nephews: Marquise, Jordan, Joshua, Matthew and Korey; her beloved godchildren: Janae Davis and Matthias Reid; her cousins: Juan Cuffee, (Lena), Aundrea Cuffee, Dorcas Jernigan and Douglas Cuffee; and a host of other relatives, friends and her wonderful colleagues and co-workers.

DEANA

When I came out of the hospital in February, **Deana** called to make sure I was ok. She was my other family doctor. Just like my Aunt Gloria, **Deana** loved to laugh. I had to get ready to tell jokes because **Deana** was always ready to laugh. Her infectious laugh I will always remember. **Deana** loved her family. She was a great mother, wife, sister, aunt, cousin, friend, and doctor. I will always treasure our togetherness with her. I want to thank Pierre for making my cousin the happiest wife ever. I want to thank Sekena for being the best sister and best friend! **Deana**, your light will shine bright in my heart forever! ... until we meet again.

~ Love ~ Your Cousin Dorcas

DEANA CHENELLE BYNUM

I still remember the day I met you, which was my first trip to New York, Thanksgiving 1975; and the ride to visit Uncle Milton and Aunt Evelyn was a ride I will never forget. Every bump in the road we hit, you laughed, and the bumps were many, and so were your outbursts of laughter. When I'd call you, you'd start laughing before saying, "Hi My Favorite Cousin" and I'd always say, "Hey Favorite Cousin". I'll never forget the first time you drove me to Manhattan in your silver Mercedes Benz. You needed to be in the right lane to enter the roundabout. I was so scared! Before that light turned green, you floored that Benz right into that lane and successfully drove in the roundabout. I'd always look forward to spending time with you and Sekena and Aunt Gloria when I came to visit. I will treasure those moments in my heart. Days before you left us, I read the beautiful card the kids gave me and signed for Mother's Day 2018. A bright light you will always be when I think of you! Shining Bright in so many hearts: Pierre, Tori, Chris, Kortnei, Chase, Sekena, Marquise, Jordan, Joshua, Mathew, Vershonda, and Korey. Deana, your light will brighten our paths and our days, getting us through the night. Our Deana will Light Our Way through this journey! Thank you, God for allowing her to shine in our world and continue to shine forever in our hearts!

~Love ~ Aundrea (Your Favorite Cousin)

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Dr. Deana Chenelle Bynum

Sunrise

November 27, 1974

Sunset

April 27, 2020

Tuesday ~ May 26, 2020 ~ 12:30 p.m.

at

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*"... I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me,
though he were dead, yet shall he live:" ~ St. John 11:25*

OBITUARY

Our beloved *Deana Chenelle Bynum* graced her beautiful presence to the world on November 27, 1974 and to her parents Bobby and Gloria, and sister Sekena Bynum. **Deana** was born and raised as well as educated in Brooklyn, New York attending Clara Barton High School for the Health Professions. That is where **Deana** took a keen interest in the medical field to pursue her dream of becoming a Registered Nurse. **Deana** furthered her education and attended Borough of Manhattan Community College where she received her Associate's in Applied Science. **Deana** was then excited to attend Medgar Evers College where she received her Bachelor of Science; but she didn't stop there. **Deana** pushed even further and received her Master of Science in Nursing from Wagner College, and her later Doctorate of Nursing Practice from Stony Brook University. **Doctor Deana Bynum** was employed for 12 years at Maimonides Medical Center where she cultivated her craft, built beautiful bonds and long lasting friendships. **Doctor Bynum** also became employed at New York University of Joint Diseases for another 12 years where she used her DNP and met more wonderful people along the way. **Deana** was an educated Black woman who believed there were no limits to success, and that no one could take an education from you.

Deana met the love of life, Jean Pierre, in 2001. **Deana** and Pierre (as she affectionately called him) were united in Holy Matrimony in a beautiful Hawaiian ceremony. They enjoyed a lifestyle of traveling, dinner and movie dates, nights out in the city, gift giving, and shopping. To their union were born four pride and joys: Victoria, Christopher, Kortnei and Chase Pierre. **Deana** enjoyed being a mother and fiercely protected her children. She was always involved in every extra-curricular activity. From swimming to dance to basketball and karate, she would be seen with her phone in her hand recording and cheering them on to victory.

Deana was truly the doting mother. She made sure her children had everything they needed, and never lacked anything. **Deana** made her home inviting for every family event: Thanksgiving, Christmas, birthdays and Easter. She enjoyed decorating her home for those special occasions with her special touch. She always encouraged her children and her nephews to do their absolute best, and always have a plan of action to succeed.

Throughout it all, her best friend and sister Sekena was always by her side. They had a special love and bond between them, and they were inseparable. When you saw one, you would see the other ... always together, going everywhere. They enjoyed shopping, traveling, having Sunday dinners together, all holidays, going to amusement parks, birthday events, to the beach and many vacations to Florida. Following behind them every step of the way were their children. Even through their sisterly arguments, they somehow managed to get over it by picking up the phone and asking, "Are you dressed and ready"? Sekena and **Deana** were always fashionably late, and known as "*The Dynamic Duo*."

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ORDER OF SERVICE



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OFFICIATING MINISTER:

The Most Reverend Dr. Eric D. Garnes, *Senior Pastor*
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Musical Prelude Elder Alson L. Farley
Processional // Final Viewing (*Friends of family, please stand.*)
Selection Elder Alson L. Farley
Scripture Readings Bishop Eric D. Garnes
 Old Testament
 New Testament
Prayer of Comfort Bishop Eric D. Garnes
Brief Remarks
Obituary
Selection Elder Alson L. Farley
Eulogy Bishop Eric D. Garnes
Benediction
Recessional (*Friends, please remain standing as the family leaves the chapel.*)

INTERMENT:

 "The Evergreens" Cemetery 
1629 Bushwick Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

We are closely monitoring the situation with the COVID-19 pandemic. With that in mind and the safety of all concerned, we must adhere to the recommended guidelines of the CDC. Thus, although it is unnatural and difficult, especially during this time when the family needs you most, physical contact with family, and with one another as well as the body is prohibited. Social distancing (keeping 3 – 6 feet away) is required. Also, the complete service must be contained within **one hour** for the sake of limited exposure. Your cooperation is most appreciated during this temporary disruption of life as we know it.