

The Order of Service

Rev. Nicole M. Leak, Presiding

Pastor, Williams Memorial ME Church, High Point, NC

<i>Processional</i>	<i>The Family and Members of Clergy</i>
<i>Musical Selection</i>	<i>West Deep Creek Young Adult Choir</i>
<i>Reading of Holy Scripture</i>	
<i> The Old Testament</i>	<i>Rev. Bennie Gaddy</i>
<i> The New Testament</i>	<i>Rev. Jerry Little</i>
<i>Prayer of Comfort</i>	<i>Rev. Mitchel Huntley</i>
<i>Musical Selection</i>	
<i>Remarks</i>	<i>Please limit to two (2) minutes</i>
<i>Family Tributes</i>	
<i>Obituary</i>	<i>Read Silently</i>
<i>Acknowledgements</i>	<i>Mr. Ken Caulder, Leavitt Funeral Home</i>
<i>Solo</i>	<i>Miss Shequita Melton, Daughter</i>
<i>Eulogy</i>	<i>Rev. Derrick L. Phillips</i>
	<i>Pastor, Timmonsville Missionary Baptist Church, Mt. Croghan, SC</i>
<i>Last Farewell</i>	<i>Family and Friends</i>
<i>Benediction</i>	
<i>Interment</i>	<i>New Beginning Missionary Baptist Church Cemetery</i>
	<i>Mowen, NC</i>

Floral Bearers ~ Sisters

Casket Bearers ~ Brothers

The family of

Kimberly O'Neal Melton

Wishes to express their sincere and heartfelt thanks for every act of love and kindness shown to them and Kim during her courageous battle with cancer and in most recent months and now during our time of loss.

May God Bless You.

In Memory

Kimberly O'Neal Melton, known to family and friends as "Lil Kim," entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at the age of 53 years, following a 7 year battle with breast cancer.

Kim was born July 16, 1965 in Chesterfield, SC a daughter of Peggy Melton McCormick and the late James Thomas Ratliff. She was raised by her grandparents, Thomas and Georgianna Ratliff.

She attended the public schools of Anson County, but graduated from West Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte, NC, class of 1983. Kim went on to attend and graduate from Anson Technical College in Polkton, NC with a degree in Business Administration and another in Accounting. Kim worked in the nursing field for many years before deciding that she wanted more! Kim left nursing to work in the school system, where she was a teacher at Anson Challenge Academy in Wadesboro and Center High School in Pageland, SC.

Kim accepted Christ at an early age and remained an active member of Timmonsville Missionary Baptist Church in Mt. Croghan, SC for many years. She served as an usher, lead singer of the adult choir and worked with the children's music ministry.

First and foremost, Kim loved her family and would often end conversations with the word "Ohana", which means family. She loved singing, cooking, doing hair and loving on her "Chuloo", her grandson, Jaleel Melton. She had a heart of gold and didn't mind being a help to anyone. Kim was simply an extraordinary person with a contagious smile.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by her grandparents, Thomas and Georgianna Ratliff and her uncle Leory.

Kim leaves to cherish her memories, her only daughter, Shequita and only grandson, Jaleel; her mother, Peggy McCormick (Alfred); her step-mother, Dorothy Ratliff of Charlotte; five brothers, Shawn Ratliff (Charmara) of Winston-Salem, Kiyoshi Ratliff and Covache Ratliff both of Charlotte, Ernest Melton of High Point and Rodney Melton (Nichia) of Greensboro; six sisters, Beverly Gaddy of Thomasville, Marquita Ratliff of Charlotte, Nicole Leak (James) of High Point, Stephanie McCormick of Sylva, and Hattie Gaddy and Sonia Gabriel both of Wadesboro; her adored cousin, Natasha Melton of Wadesboro; her dear friend of more than 28 years, Clifford S. Tillman of Wadesboro and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

I Wear A Pink Ribbon

*A silent killer with no face, A thief within the night.
A constant battle for my life, a bitter evil fight.*

*The scars remind me of the day it knocked at my souls door.
It tried to rob me of my strength it left me on the floor.*

*To survive, I had to sacrifice My Breast and even my hair
It showed no pity as it snatched these things without a care.*

*I started to give up my fight I felt I could take no more
Then God reached down and gently picked me up off the floor.*

*He wiped my face and blew my nose just like my mama use to do.
He said dont cry my child for I have things in store for you.*

*I did not bring you all this way to leave you high and dry,
I love you and you are my child so hold your head up high.*

*There is nothing that I cannot fix, No pain I can't erase.
Have faith and know that I am here There is nothing you can't face!*

*So then I threw my hands up high and gave God all his praise!
For my soul has been uplifted and my spirit has been raised!*

*I'll fight this fight with cancer And I know I will be fine.
For God said it and I know it's true, That victory is mine!!*

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*A Home Going Service
For
Kimberly O'Neal Melton*



*"Someone once asked me, how I hold my head up so high
after all I've been through, I said, "because no matter what,
I'm a survivor not a victim"*

*2:00PM
Monday, February 4, 2019
Chapel of Leavitt Funeral Home
2036 Morwen Road
Wadeboro, North Carolina*