

A Celebration of Life for

Renee D. Brandon



November 19, 1965 - February 9, 2025

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2025

Family Hour: 10:00 a.m. | Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries®

5055 Allentown Road | Suitland, Maryland 20746

Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor



Obituary

On February 9, 2025, our beloved Renee Brandon peacefully transitioned from this life, leaving behind a legacy of love, faith and generosity. Born on November 19, 1965, to Arthur Holsey and Mary Murphy, Renee was the cherished eldest of three children. Raised in Northeast Washington, D.C., she grew up surrounded by a vibrant and close-knit community that helped shape her into the remarkable woman she became.

Renee attended Theodore Roosevelt High School in Washington, D.C., where she laid the foundation for a life marked by compassion, integrity, and leadership. Her journey led her to a distinguished 41-year career with the United States Department of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, where she retired in December 2023 as a Director of Finance. Her dedication, professionalism and grace left an indelible mark on her colleagues and all who had the privilege of working alongside her.

Renee made the most important decision of her life when she gave her life to Jesus Christ at From the Heart Church Ministries (Parent Church) and joined in 1989. Her faith and trust in Jesus became the cornerstone of her life, guiding her every step and inspiring those around her. She served faithfully in the church through the Activities, Altar, Girl Scouts, Membership Care, Missions, Nursery, Physical Stewardship, and Usher Ministries, as well as the From the Heart Young People's Choir and the Women of God Lifegivers Fellowship. Whether caring for little ones, empowering and mentoring growing minds or serving on the altar, Renee's devotion to her faith was evident in every act of service. In 2022, Renee and her husband, Ricky, transferred their membership to From the Heart Church Ministries of Atlanta.

Those who knew Renee will remember her for her loving and peaceful disposition, her compassionate spirit, and her giving heart. Her kindness knew no bounds and her genuine smile could light up any room. She possessed an extraordinary ability to make everyone feel valued and loved, embodying the essence of a true and dedicated follower of Christ.

Renee's enduring impact will live on through the countless lives she touched and the memories she leaves behind. Her unwavering faith, compassion and dedication to her family and community will be treasured forever.

Renee leaves behind her husband, Ricky Brandon; mother, Mary Murphy; father, Arthur Holsey; siblings, Sabrina Green and Glennette Holsey; children: Tiffany Watkins, Kelley Brandon, Olivia Brandon and Maya Brandon; granddaughter, Skylar Watkins; and a host of extended family members, friends and church family who will carry her memory in their hearts.

As we celebrate the life of Renee Brandon, we find comfort in knowing that she is now at peace, resting in the arms of her Savior. Her spirit will continue to inspire us, and the love, faith and generosity she embodied will live on in all who were blessed to know her.



Order of Service

Invocation

Congregational Hymn “Blessed Assurance”

Scripture Reading

*Old Testament: Psalm 24
New Testament: John 14:1-6*

Prayer of Comfort

Selection *FTH Adult Choir*

Acknowledgements

Remarks

*Ms. Olivia Brandon, Daughter
Ms. Terrye Neal, Best Friend
Ms. Shawn Collins, Former Colleague
Ms. Marlynn Dickson, Cousin*

Obituary (*Read Silently*)

Song of Preparation *FTH Adult Choir*

Message of Hope *Bishop John A. Cherry, II*

Call to Christ

Benediction

Recessional



Congregational Hymn

Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

Chorus

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long, this is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight; angels descending, bring from above, echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Chorus

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest, watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Chorus



The Virtuous Woman

by Bobbie Davis

*A virtuous woman is one of a kind
The Bible says she is hard to find.
Her price is far above rubies, which are rare,
She must be handled with extreme care.*

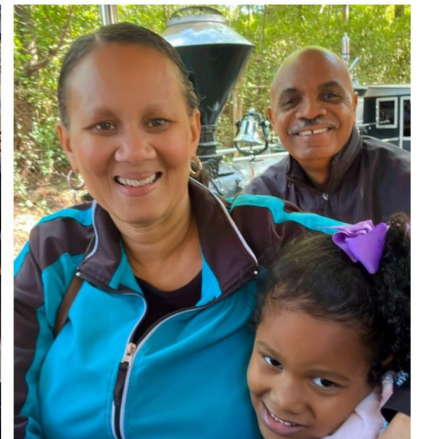
*Her husband knows she's a precious gem indeed,
He knows that she is willing to please.
Her children treat her with honor and respect,
They know that she always does her best.*

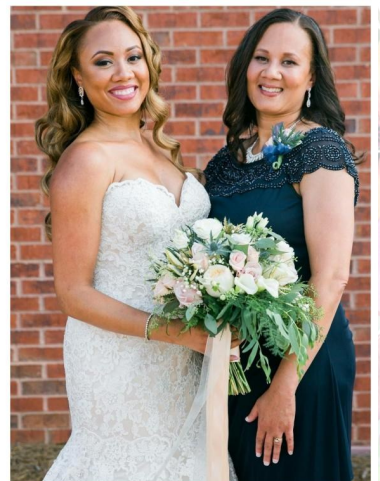
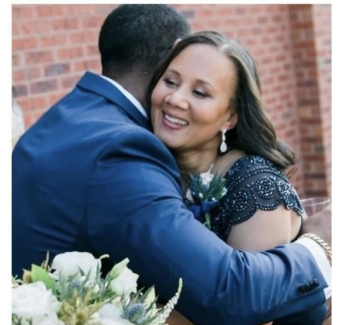
*A virtuous woman does all that she can,
She's always there and stands by her man.
Though she's humble and meek, she takes no mess,
You can count on her to pass the test.*

*You will know her when she passes you by,
For she always holds her head up high.
She's courageous and strong, a dignified lady she is,
You will never know that she has shed many tears.*

*A lady of class and elegance too,
She will let you know what you will need to do,
To come up to her standard, which is very high.
For she is headed for her home in the sky.*

*So to the virtuous women of today,
Always remember the part that you play.
Just be Christ like, for He is the One,
Who gave His only begotten Son.*







Acknowledgement

The Brandon and Watkins families sincerely thank all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!

Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Services Entrusted to:

*Mc Koon Funeral Home and Crematory
38 Jackson Street | Newman, Georgia 30263*

