



Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith

August 15, 1942 - July 26, 2021

Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith was born on August 15, 1942 to parents, Ernest and Leona Rodgers in Four Oaks, NC. She was the youngest of 9 children. Mulinda was raised and educated in the North Carolina Public School System, having attended Johnston County Training School, from Kindergarten through twelfth Grade. She excelled academically, earning her an Honor Society Award and countless other Academic Awards. Upon graduating in June 1960, she continued her educational endeavors earning her Associates Degree from Bennett College and other Degrees and Certifications from Fayetteville State Teachers College and the University of the District of Columbia.

Mulinda was an exceptional dancer, she was known to “cut a rug” with the best of them. She was also an avid music lover, Motown especially and loved hearing her nieces sing their music. Another pastime of hers was watching daytime soap operas and reality tv shows. Her favorite shows were The Young and the Restless, the Bachelor/Bachelorette and Big Brother. She also enjoyed doing crossword puzzles.

After moving to Washington, DC, she met and married Herbert Smith on December 30, 1968. From that union, two children were born: Rochelle and Antonio. She was employed by the Federal Government working at the National Science Foundation for 27 years before retiring. Following her passion for helping children, she began work as a Substitute Teacher for the

District of Columbia Public School System, where she remained for 10 years until she left the workforce permanently.

Mulinda departed this earthly realm on July 26, 2021. She had a joyous heavenly reunion with her family who preceded her in death: her parents, Ernest and Leona Rodgers; daughter, Rochelle Lee Smith; sisters and brothers: Pauline (Polly) Sanders, Flossie Pearl Howard, Willie Edward Rodgers, Mary Christine Rodgers, Leamon Earl Rodgers, Emearl Rodgers and Earnestine Wise.

Left to cherish the beautiful memories of a life well-lived: her son, Antonio Smith; grandchildren: Ashley Mason and Anthony Smith; one sister: Eula Mae Hinton of Smithfield, NC; a special daughter: LaCretia Gray; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.

Cemetery Details

HARMONY MEMORIAL PARK

7101 Sheriff Rd
LANDOVER, MD 20785

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel
5538 MARLBORO PIKE
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

Funeral Service

AUG 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith



Pope Funeral Homes - August 03, 2021 at 10:52 AM



“ *Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *Marquet & Bridgette*



Marquet & Bridgette Mackey - August 03, 2021 at 10:46 AM

EH

“ I remember my sister Mulinda would always want to go with me to school each day, so I would have to slip out and tell her I will be right back and she would say ok. That's one of my memories. To Tony my prayers are with you and your family, look and Trust God!

Aunt Eula

Eula Hinton - August 03, 2021 at 07:34 AM

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“ Eula Hinton lit a candle in memory of Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith



Eula Hinton - August 03, 2021 at 07:26 AM

PS

“ Aunt Mulinda and I was raised together, in N.C., we had a great bond as children, I remember, when the beehive hair style came out, I fixed her hair to look like it, she got so many compliments when she went to school the next day. This is just one of many memories that I have growing up with her, she will be missed, may God bless you and your family during this difficult time 🙏. Your cousin P.Sanders

Peggy Sanders - July 30, 2021 at 03:28 AM

PS

“ *Peggy Sanders lit a candle in memory of
Mulinda Lee Rodgers-Smith* ”



Peggy Sanders - July 30, 2021 at 02:58 AM