



Barbara Epps Justice

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Ms. Barbara Ann Epps-Justice entered eternal rest Tuesday, August 6, 2024. Barbara was born in Merigold, Mississippi to the late Booker T. and Braddie B. Epps on May 24, 1958. The family moved to Benton Harbor, Michigan in 1959. She confessed hope in Christ at a young age and was baptized at Main Street Seventh-day Adventist Church. Barbara graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1976 (Home of the Tigers!) and received her bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University in 1982.

Barbara was a committed educator for Miami Dade County Public Schools for over 35 years. She SET the standard for excellence while ensuring the success of learners in classrooms at Florida City Elementary, Ludlam Elementary, Redland Middle School & Caribbean K-8. Mrs. Justice's teaching style and investment-based mentoring has had lifelong impacts on the lives of her students and friends.

Ms. Justice had an innate ability to be a mother, friend, cheerleader and therapist to those in her village. Barbara was also an avid animal/nature lover, supporter and advocate. Her presence made an unforgettable impression upon everyone/everything she encountered. Ms. Justice proudly represented her African American heritage through her self-proclaimed DIVA attire and stilettos and her commitment to annual Black History Month activities and programs.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents, Booker and Braddie Epps; four brothers, Brazil Epps, Booker T. Epps, George (Beoria) Epps and Clifton Epps; three sisters, Beatrice Epps, Georgia Epps, and Dorothy Epps, her beloved friend, Gail Williams and her faithful 4-legged companion, Tulip.

Her legacy proudly lives on and is evident in the lives of her two sons Kelvin Justice Jr., Adrian (Latisha) Justice; two sisters, Braddie Epps, Nanci Epps; one brother, Willis (Mary) Epps Sr.; fiancé, Efrain Cabrera and a host of relatives, friends, co-workers and associates.



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While our lives will be forever changed, we take solace in knowing that Barbara's stilettos are now eternally tipping down streets that are paved with gold.

Ms. Justice's Celebration of Life details will be held Saturday, August 31, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at Miami Scottish Rite, 471 NW Third St., Miami, FL 33128.

There will be NO opportunities for public viewing at the memorial service. Condolences can be sent to Kelvin and/or Adrian Justice at 2041 Southeast 26 Lane, Homestead, FL 33035.

We solicit your continued well wishes and prayers during our time of bereavement.




Events

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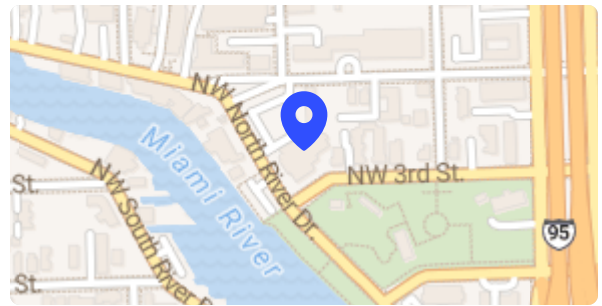
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Celebration of Life

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 3:00 PM ET

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JR

Jeanette Reynolds posted:

Sending heartfelt condolences to the family of Barbara Epps-Justice. Forever in our hearts. Class of 76, Jeanette Reynolds.

August 29 at 9:40 AM

WY

Wanda Ashley Young lit a candle in honor of Barbara.

To my beautiful friend Barbara, may your light shine on! Love you girl.

August 21 at 4:55 PM



WY

Wanda Ashley Young shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My dear friend Barbara it was just June when we were last together. My heart is broken and still in awe that we can't have one of our fun filled conversations as we usually do. You were so dear and special to me! The best coworker ever, who always kept work fun. You were my bestest bestie and my heart aches. You left a mark on my life, so many students, and so many others. I love you and I truly do appreciate your everlasting friendship. Rest in peace 🙏 my friend. Wanda Ashley Young

August 12 at 3:58 AM



EH

Esther Harden lit a candle in honor of Barbara.

August 21 at 4:06 PM



LG

Lafreida Hudson-Granberry posted:

Barbara and I met and became friends shortly after she came to Miami. Barbara Epps Justice:- [] was her maid of honor- [] the mother of my god-sons; remember "Kelly" and I looking out of the window waiting for her and the "new" baby (Adrian) to arrive home- [] who wore heels like they were permanently bonded to her feet- [] my earthly confidant- [] my friend—of laughter, of pain, of truth- [] will be deeply missed

August 15 at 5:11 PM



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LM

Lashunda Martin lit a candle in honor of Barbara.

Where do I start and where do I end? I will say this, beautiful, smart, classy, intelligent, and full of love and laughter. Most importantly, true to herself and others. Thank you for being such a great TEACHER and MENTOR to my two children (Keith and Chantelle) you touched tremendously with your stern and caring ways. I will always remember this: Ms. Justice was helping with monitoring the students on the P.E. Court. She was telling my daughter (Chantelle) that she needed to sit down, like all the other students (on the court or her book bag). Chantelle told Ms. Justice; my mom said that pretty girls don't get dirty. Ms. Justice told me that she couldn't say anything but turn away from Chantelle in laughter. That has been one of our favorite memories with Ms. Justice at Caribbean K-8 Center. As well as, countless other memories. She was loved by plenty and truly missed by many. My heartfelt condolences, again to Kelvin, Adrian (Latisha), her fiance, and family. May the Father wrap his loving arms around you all. Her smile was incredibly beautiful and will be missed, as well. Blessings, The Martin Family (Ms. Martin, Keith, Chantelle, and Frantasia) :dove_of_peace::pray::skin-tone-4:🙏:pray::skin-tone-4::dove_of_peace:



August 12 at 3:58 AM

TF

Toni Gilbert Fulton lit a candle in honor of Barbara.

My sincere condolences to the family. Barbara was my classmate of 1976, Go Tigers. And she was one of the prettiest girl on the Pom Pom Squad. RIP dear friend 🙏❤️🙏



August 12 at 3:58 AM

TF Toni Gilbert Fulton August 15 at 2:55 PM
Hey My Dear Friend Kay and Classmate of 76. I concur. You're welcome ❤️

GB Glenda Bell August 12 at 12:01 PM
Hey Toni...you are so right...Barbara was a POM! I use to love seeing her in that white little skort outfit and the tall white boots. Thanks for that memory. Glenda Kay Bell class of 76.



Wanda Ashley Young shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

August 21 at 4:53 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Barbara by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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