



## Donya Raye Ward-Foxx

August 26, 1968 - November 2, 2022

Donya Raye Ward Foxx was born on Monday, August 26, 1968, in Dover, Delaware, to Rev. William J. Ward, Jr. and Ursula Daniels Ward. She went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, November 2, 2022, at the Baltimore-Washington Medical Center in Glen Burnie, Maryland.

Donya spent her childhood with family and friends in Barclay, Maryland. She attended school in Queen Anne's County and graduated from the Queen Anne's County High School in Centreville, Maryland on June 6, 1986. She attended Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland and sang with the renowned Morgan State Gospel Choir under the directorship of Dr. Nathan Carter.

After school, Donya began work at the Upper Shore Mental Health Center in Chestertown, Maryland. She later transferred to the Spring Grove Mental Health Center in Catonsville, Maryland as a direct care assistant. She loved her patients and developed many friendships with the staff.

Donya met the love of her life, Pastor Kevin Linwood Foxx, and they were married on November 14, 1998, in Chestertown, Maryland. Donya and Kevin were blessed with two beautiful daughters, Kierra and Kyra.

Sister Foxx, as she was known by her church family, loved Jesus. She was a

faithful servant, teaching, ministering, counseling, praying, and singing. She nurtured and guided her daughters and brought them up in the fear and admonition of the Lord. Donya and Kevin started a church in Arbutus, Maryland and they also pastored a church in Frederick, Maryland. Even after she was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis (MS), she never let that stop her from praising the Lord. When Donya's health declined and she was confined to a nursing home, she ministered to her roommates and other residents and staff whom she met.

Donya had a marvelous personality and a great sense of humor. She loved her family and the many family gatherings, especially our annual Christmas Eve celebrations. She led the family every year in singing "Silent Night." She had a special place in her heart for all her nieces and nephews and they loved her dearly. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.

Donya was preceded in death by her grandparents, Leonard and Geneva Daniels, Rev. Bermuda and William J. Ward, Sr., father-in-law, Ronald Foxx and mother-in-law, Carolyn Groomes.

Donya leaves to cherish precious memory, her loving husband, Pastor Kevin Foxx of Baltimore, MD; two devoted daughters, Kierra Foxx of Wilmington, DE and Kyra Foxx of Baltimore, MD; parents, Pastor Emeritus William J. Ward, Jr., and Mrs. Ursula Daniels Ward; brothers, Charles Ford (Arlene), William Ford (La Tascha), Pastor Daniel Ward (Angela) and adopted brother, Rev. Steven Ford (Donna); sisters-in-law, Karen Foxx and Kim Foxx; five aunts, Greta Fountain, Barbara Hines, Jeralin Rochester (Robert), Karen Lewis and Lisa Powell; godfather, Robert Tate; godsisters, Vanette Seals, Dana Benson and Erin Johnson; godbrother, Charles Benson; and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

Sorrowfully Submitted, The Family

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 9. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Antioch Apostolic Church (Arnold, MD)  
1535 Richie Hwy  
Arnold, MD 21012

## Funeral Service

NOV 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

PC

“ *Patty Kimble Clark lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx*



**Patty Kimble Clark** - November 20, 2022 at 08:07 AM

CG

“ *CHERRITA D GIBBS-SLOAN lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx*



**CHERRITA D GIBBS-SLOAN** - November 10, 2022 at 05:48 AM

EJ

“ *Evangelist Ida Jeffers lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx*



**Evangelist Ida Jeffers** - November 09, 2022 at 04:38 PM

EJ

*My dear Brother and daughters, I too will miss the light that our beloved Donya left with her big bold smile, laughter and loving kindness! She was a true Woman of God and I will miss her dearly!*

**Evangelist Ida Jeffers** - November 09, 2022 at 04:42 PM

SC

“ Brother Kevin and the daughters . I sincerely don't have the words to express how deeply saddened I am to hear of the passing of my beloved Sister in Christ who was my prayer Warrior, friend and a good comedian. God knows we shared plenty of laughs . I pray that God will comfort you and draw you near during this time of bereavement.

Susan Caulk - November 09, 2022 at 04:35 PM

LC

“ Sending my prayers and condolences to my paternal family. We sending you our love from Greenville SC, and may God be with u at this time of Sorrow.

LaTia Robinson (Rochester) - November 09, 2022 at 04:00 PM

TG

“ Sorry for your loss. Condolences to the family. Praying for you all

Terry Gulston - November 09, 2022 at 09:56 AM

NM

“ Nikhia Munson lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx



Nikhia Munson - November 08, 2022 at 11:51 PM

KH

“ *Kiesha Hynson lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx*



Kiesha Hynson - November 08, 2022 at 09:36 PM

JW

“ *Janice Warren lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx*



Janice Warren - November 08, 2022 at 08:45 PM

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“ *Neal Kennedy QACHS Class Of 1986 lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx*



Neal Kennedy QACHS Class of 1986 - November 08, 2022 at 08:17 PM

KJ

“ *Sister Foxx, what a beautiful person . I was sad to hear of your passing but rejoice with you because your in the presence of the Lord.. I think of the old song, "What a day that will be, when my Jesus I shall see.." the blessed hope to all who are in Christ Jesus our Lord.. Love you and we'll all be together again soon !!. Sis Kathy Johnson*

Kathy Johnson - November 08, 2022 at 07:40 PM

CG

“ We love you family and send hugs to you from Ohio



Cousin Rhesa and James Green - November 08, 2022 at 06:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx.



November 08, 2022 at 03:37 PM

KB

“ Kay L. Brown lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx



Kay L. Brown - November 08, 2022 at 03:22 PM

CB

“ Cousin Pamela Brown lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx



Cousin Pamela Brown - November 08, 2022 at 12:13 PM

JB

“ Jackie Brown lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx



Jackie Brown - November 08, 2022 at 09:28 AM

MF

“ Min. Jackie Johnson (CBC) & Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx.



Min. Jackie Johnson (CBC) & Family - November 08, 2022 at 09:24 AM

IC

“ Iris Carter lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx



Iris Carter - November 08, 2022 at 09:08 AM

VA

“ Vanette lit a candle in memory of Donya Raye Ward-Foxx



Vanette - November 08, 2022 at 09:04 AM

VA

*Always in my heart!!*

**Vanette** - November 08, 2022 at 09:06 AM

JB

*My deepest sympathy to Rev. Ward , Ms. Ursula and family.*

**Jackie Brown** - November 08, 2022 at 09:28 AM