



Ovon R. Jernigan

February 17, 1969 - January 4, 2017

Ovon Rhonda (Giddins) Jernigan departed this world on Wednesday, January 4, 2017. She was 47 years old. Ovon was born on Monday, February 17, 1969 at Milford Memorial Hospital in Milford, Delaware to Lena V. Giddins and the late Otas Cephas, Sr.

Her early childhood education began at East Millsboro Elementary School and then completed at Sussex Central High School. She graduated in 1987 and furthered her education at Polytech in Woodside, Delaware as a Dental Assistant, then as a Certified Nursing Assistant. During Ovon's younger years, she attended Dickerson Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church and was a part of the Y.P.D. (Young People's Department). She was also a member of the Usher Board and Director of the Youth Choir.

In 1986, Ovon met Aubrey Jernigan of Frankford, Delaware. The two later married on August 15, 1988. Through their union, two children were born; one daughter, Aubraa D. Jernigan and one son, Aubrey D. Jernigan, II, both at Milford Memorial Hospital. After marriage, she and her family accepted Christ as their Personal Savior. They attended Elohim Nondenominational Church in Millsboro, Delaware, under the pastorship of Frances Irving-Wright. They later joined Union Baptist Church under the pastorship of Rev. Dr. Raymond Fisher in Lincoln, Delaware.

Ovon worked for the Stockley Center in Georgetown, Delaware for many years before leaving and starting a new journey with the Chimes of Newark, Delaware. She worked as a job coach, Residential Manager and a PM-46

Investigator.

Ovon leaves to cherish her memories her husband, Aubrey D. Jernigan of Seaford, Delaware; one daughter, Aubraa Jernigan of Seaford, Delaware; one son, Aubrey D. Jernigan, II of Seaford, Delaware; her mother, Lena V. Bowe (Rev. Theodis Bowe) of Millsboro, Delaware; two brothers, Ellery V. Giddins and Otas Cephas, Jr., both of Seaford, Delaware; two sisters, Otasia Cephas of Wilmington, Delaware and Otisia Howell of Williamsville, Delaware. She also leaves one Goddaughter, Mantara Sturgis of Millsboro, Delaware; her best friend, Terri Mumford of Seaford, Delaware, as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Ovon R. Jernigan, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall

TM

“ *Aubrey and family,*

I can only imagine your sense of loss. Our prayers are with you.

Tom Millea and family

Tom Millea - January 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *So sorry for the loss of a very special person who meant so much to so many. I was one of those who had gotten to know Ovon and she will never be forgotten. Such a caring and compassionate person that gave of herself selflessly. I will truly miss her but will carry her in my heart.*

Chaquel Finney - January 14, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Ms. Van my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. God bless!*

Monnie Palmer - January 10, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. My heart is heavy. I love you and will continue to pray your strength.*

*Love Your Little Cousin,
Timothy Jernigan*

Timothy Jernigan - January 09, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I am sorry for your loss, please accept my sincere condolences. I hope the family will find some comfort and strength in Jesus promise of the earthly resurrection(Acts 24:15)and the renewed Paradise earth, where death will be no more and no family will mourn the death of a loved one.-Revelation 21:3,4;John 5:28,29;Luke 23:43. may GOD(Psalms 83:18)grant you peace and comfort now, during this grievous time.-Matthew 5:4.

M Jones - January 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Your Felton house family sends love and prayers. We wish for you strength in this sad time. Hold on with assurance to the knowledge that Ovon is with the Lord. Her struggle is over and she is in peace and joy. She was a great person and has left you a great legacy. God bless each of you and uphold you. Lots of love

Sandra Mast - January 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM