



## Venita L Statam

May 2, 1967 - October 23, 2018

Venita Lenore Statam was born May 2, 1967, in Chicago IL to James Allen Patterson and Youlas Lorrان Patterson (better known as Ms P), who both preceded her in death. She attended and graduated from Martin Luther King H.S. Class of 1986, Venita loved being a Jaguar and a Cheerleader, then attending the reunion picnics with her fellow King graduates and siblings. While attending King High School Venita met the love of her life Michael Statam and the two later married, prior to being wed to Michael, Venita met and had two beautiful children with Andre Maurice Brewer (who also preceded her in death). Through her union's Venita was gifted with four children, Antonio Leandre Brewer (Cassandra); Anita Latrice Brewer-Fisher (Brian); Makida Lanice Statam; and Mashaun Lashay Statam. Venita accepted Christ at an early age with her father James being the custodian of Grant Memorial AME Church. The family attended church on a regular basis and Venita was made the God daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Roy Miller, of Grant Memorial Church and was further adopted into God's kingdom. Venita was a wonderful cook, she learned that from Ms.P, they would love to be in the kitchen together whipping up meals and especially during the holidays and absolutely on Thanksgiving. Cooking became the way Venita and her mom would bond, Venita carried on that tradition and would often cook meals for her siblings and later cooking for her family was something Venita did well and enjoyed. Venita was the middle child of her five siblings, having two older and three younger siblings, she became known in her later years as Co-Co. Co-Co

was always the life of the party, she made certain that everyone around her was smiling and having fun, she was a Cheerleader at King HS and never let us forget it, even after putting on a few extra pounds Venita still had no problem at gatherings breaking it down and getting back into her splits, even at 50 years old, the Cheerleader in her was always there. Venita was colorful, she loved bright vibrant colors and her favorites were Grey and Pink, she was also the sensitive one of the family, crying at the drop of a hat but on one hand as tough as nails. She was also the Poet of the family writing poems for many of our significant family events. Venita Lenore Statam received her WINGS on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, leaving her five siblings Derrick Lenard Gills, Lisa Lorraine Marsh (Darnell), James Lawon Gills (Lee), Allen Lemont Gills and our baby girl Tracy Lenona Gills-Reese all to mourn her. Venita please kiss our recently departed relatives as well as mom and dad for us. Tuesday, October 23, 2018, marked the end of an era, never again will the six of us be able to gather again under one roof in honor of Ms. P, ever again, Venita always wanted to be first, she was also called "The First Lady", and now she truly is 1st. We miss you 1st Lady!! Venita leaves to cherish her memory her husband of 18 years Michael Statam, four children, Antonio Leandre Brewer (Cassandra); Anita Latrice Brewer-Fisher (Brian); Makida Lanice Statam; and Mashaun Lashay Statam, her six siblings, her 20 grand children whom she adored, especially her baby Ar'Miyah Lanijah Yarbrough, better known as MyMy, and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and other loved ones. The first lady has left the building!

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Tribute Wall

TW

“ Twila Williams lit a candle in memory of Venita L Statam



Twila Williams - November 09, 2018 at 06:52 AM

EC

“ Evelyn Clayton sent a virtual gift in memory of Venita L Statam



Evelyn Clayton - November 03, 2018 at 10:18 PM



“ Rest on my friend you will Truly be miss

Florence White - November 03, 2018 at 11:45 AM

DR

“ Auntie I'm really gonna miss you calling me itty bitty nobody can Take your spot Rest Easy Auntie..

Dwayne Reese - November 02, 2018 at 01:25 AM

TW

“ Even though Tracy still says it, I will miss hearing Venita call me Tiffinetta Henrietta whenever she saw me. Rest eternally Venita!

Tiffini Wilson - November 01, 2018 at 10:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Venita L Statam .*



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November 01, 2018 at 10:46 PM



“ *Rih CO-CO so sad to hear of your passing, praying for your family.*



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**Alb** - October 30, 2018 at 09:36 AM



“ *Wow!CoCo this has been quite devastating for, I'm going to truly miss you girlfriend, I thank GOD for the time he gave us together! Michael I am praying for you and the rest of the Family, May GOD keep you all in his loving care GOD BLESS YOU ALL*



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**Cynthia Barnes** - October 28, 2018 at 01:52 PM