



## Deborah L. Cummings

July 8, 1954 - August 10, 2023

On August 10, 2023, Deacon Minister Deborah Lorraine Cummings went home to sing her songs of life to her Heavenly Father. Multi-gifted and talented, Deborah was born July 8, 1954 in the Portsmouth Naval Hospital to the late US Navy Chief L. T. and Geneva Patterson Cummings. She was the 5th of the Cummings' seven children; six girls and one boy.

In the mid 1950's Chief Cummings and the family were relocated to Morocco, Africa, where the family went to villages with local Missionaries and shared the goodness of God with their new Moroccan friends. Upon returning to the United States, the family settled back in Portsmouth, VA and at an early age, Deborah joined First Baptist Church South Portsmouth, where she sang in the Tots and Junior Choir and served as a Jr. Usher. She attended Brighton Elementary, Map Jr. High and finally I C Norcom High School; then on to Oral Roberts University, in Tulsa Ok, where she received her BS in Math.

Deborah's song of life journey led her to Chicago, IL for many years, and God blessed her to expand her family with two adorable little brothers, Christian and Nathan. She became a computer programmer and landlord before deciding to bring her family back home to Portsmouth, VA, which she always called the best city in Virginia.

She earned her real estate license and actively listed and sold real estate for

many years, before tapping into other entrepreneurial talents, including insurance and financial solutions. In November 2019, Deborah launched a commercial cleaning business called PRO-MAXUM, and served as the company's CEO. Her business was known for its exceptional service and detailed cleaning. She also connected with a new church fellowship and joined Rebirth Church in 2019, and she was ordained as Deacon Minister in 2023.

Throughout her life, Deborah did not hesitate to create and sing new songs, and share words of wisdom or encouragement to anyone who crossed her path. But most importantly, she was a phenomenal woman of God who believed that her heavenly Father would supply all her needs according to His riches in Heaven. She had a profound impact on everyone she met, and she will be sorely missed by her son, sisters, nieces, nephews, cousins and her fellowship of ministries, families, and many others whom she helped along her song of life journey.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Fourth Baptist Church  
726 South St  
Portsmouth, VA 23704

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

KE

“ *Deborah, was a lovely person who had a beautiful soul. She was a saavy businesswoman who I had the pleasure of working with on numerous Real Estate transactions. Gone too soon. May she Rest in Peace. Kimberly Eskridge*

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**Kimberly Eskridge** - September 08, 2023 at 10:13 AM

OM

“ *Onae Mary lit a candle in memory of Deborah Cummings*



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**Onae and Mary** - August 26, 2023 at 03:17 AM

VW

“ *DeborahLorraineCummings  
Great Purpose  
GreatDeeds  
Great Woman  
"HERCULEAN"  
Great Friend  
Your God-Sistah, Valerie Wynn*

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**Valerie Adrian Wynn** - August 26, 2023 at 01:21 AM

TP

“ *Tinya Prayer-Skinner lit a candle in memory of Deborah Cummings*



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**Tinya Prayer-Skinner** - August 24, 2023 at 08:06 AM

EH

“ *Sending heartfelt condolences to the family. Rest in heaven. 🙏*

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**Edith Bowden Hill** - August 24, 2023 at 12:01 AM

LS

“ *M. Burton, lit a candle in memory of Deborah Cummings*



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**Leigh M. Burton, Sr.** - August 23, 2023 at 02:05 PM

DS

“ *May the Family find comfort in knowing that others who knew Deborah from childhood are mourning with them. Deborah has helped a lot of Us during Her working career. I am one. May the Family also continue to look to Jesus, Deborah is now in that mansion that God has prepared for Her. John 14:1-6.*



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**Deacon Leigh M. Burton, Sr.** - August 23, 2023 at 02:01 PM

RS

“ *Rest in Peace my classmate! You will be missed. Our prayers and condolences are lifted up for the family.*

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**Ray Smith Sr** - August 23, 2023 at 07:44 AM

ES

“ *My condolences to the family*

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**Eugene Simpson Sr.** - August 22, 2023 at 11:37 AM