



Acknowledge

The family of Sharonda L. Oates greatly appreciates your kindness and thoughtful expressions of sympathy which bring special comfort when needed the most in sorrow.

May God Bless you.

Forever In Our Hearts



SUNRISE
16 June 1992



SUNSET
2 June 2025

Sharonda **LATIA OATES**



SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025
2:00PM

OFFICIATING: REVEREND BRANDON MILES
PHILADELPHIA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
LAWNDALE, NORTH CAROLINA

Order of Service

Prelude	
Processional	
Receiving of Friends.....	1:00 - 2:00 pm
Officiating Minister.....	Reverend Brandon Miles
Selection of Hymn.....	"There's a Leak"
	Sis. Makayla Oates
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament.....	Pastor Walter A. Clyburn
New Testament.....	Reverend Katie Jennings
Prayer of Comfort.....	Reverend Katie Jennings
Selection.....	"It is Well"
	Pastor Titus Hopper
Remarks.....	Pastor Titus Hopper
	Reverend Katie Jennings
	Mrs. Taylor Evans
Reading of Obituary.....	(Silently)
Selection.....	"Falling in Love"
	Evangelist Melissa Oates
The Word of Comfort.....	Reverend Brandon Miles
Recessional.....	"You Fight On!"

Interment

Philadelphia United Methodist Church Cemetery

"Sailing Home"

In Loving Memory Of Our Angel

She walked through life with laughter and light,

A gentle soul, both strong and bright.

With open arms and a tender heart,

She loved the children she served from the very start.

Their giggles were music, their joy her song,

She made each child feel they belonged.

With stories and hugs and the kindest face,

She made the world a warmer place.

She lived for moments under the sun,

Where ocean breezes and freedom run.

A suitcase packed, a heart set free,

Cruises called her spirit to sea.

Dockside dreams and island air,

She found her heaven everywhere.

With every wave and sunset hue,

She saw God's beauty breaking through.

Now she's taken her final ride,

No boarding pass, no need to hide.

She's sailing on Heaven's endless shore,

Where peace and joy forever pour.

We'll miss her smile, her love, her grace,

The sparkle that lit every space.

But in our hearts, she'll always stay-

Our sister, who loved, who laughed, who sailed away.





"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

John 3:16 KJV



Obituary

Miss Sharonda LaTia Oates, 32, of Winston Salem, NC passed away at home. She was born on June 16, 1992, in Savannah, Ga to Larry and (late) Catrina Oates, Sr.



Sharonda graduated from Burns High School in Lawndale, NC in 2010. After highschool, she attended Winston Salem State University, completing her degree in Birth-Kindergarten Early Intervention with a minor in Special Education in 2015. Immediately following graduation, she pursued her career in Education with the Forsyth County School System. She served for nine years in the field, touching so many students and families.

She was preceded in death by her mother Catrina M. Oates; paternal grandparents, Ralph and Elizabeth Oates; maternal grandfather, Charles Spikes; maternal aunts Caroline and Charlotte Spikes; and paternal uncle, David Oates.

Loving memories will always remain in the hearts of her family; her father Larry Oates, Sr. of Lawndale, NC; grandmother Carolyn Spikes of Kingstown; sister Candis Oates of Mooresville, NC; brothers Elder Larry (Evang Melissa) Oates, Jr. of Hinesville, Ga and Carlos Oates of Savannah, Ga; nieces Makayla Oates, Katrina Clyburn, Ana Oates; nephews Justyn Kelty and Makai Oates; maternal uncles Chavis Spikes of Kingstown, NC and Warren Spikes of Shelby, NC; paternal uncles Sherwood (Romaine) Oates of Lawndale, NC and Dale Oates of Lawndale, NC; special family member Brenda Curry, host of cousins, many other relatives and friends.

