



Sandra Ann (Canady) Ricks-Martin

January 5, 1953 - June 20, 2019

Obituary

What more can we say? Job well done Sandra Ann (Canady) Ricks-Martin. Sandra was born January 5, 1953 in Cleveland, AR to the union of Clarence Canady and LQ (Byers) Canady. She was the youngest of five children. Sandra had a true desire for knowledge and education. She graduated from Paseo High School in 1971, and although she may not have many degrees, she was known for her wealth of information and wisdom. Sandra believed in the power of God and studied the Word fervently. She was a long-time member of Central Christian Church in Kansas City, MO where she served on many committees and sang in the choir. Her faith fueled her resilience. "Ms. Sandy" had a passion for serving families. Her reputation for paying attention to detail and dedication to quality superseded her. Sandra began her career in the funeral industry at a young age with Lawrence A. Jones & Sons Funeral Chapel, and she gave nearly 50 years of her life to ensuring that each family she touched received the love and compassion they deserved. Sandra served in many areas of leadership, providing her expertise as manager and funeral director at Mrs. J.W. Jones Memorial Chapel and Duane E. Harvey Funeral Directors Chapel. She held the offices of secretary and vice-president of the Missouri-Kansas Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association and received her certificate for 25 years of service from the Missouri State Funeral Directors and Embalmers Association. Sandra was also a member of the National Funeral Directors and Morticians Association for many years. Her

career is a true testament of commitment.

“Nana” loved her family most and gave everything she had into loving them. Shortly after high school she married, Earl Ricks, Jr. and to their union Kenshasha Ricks-Williams was born to which five grandchildren were also born; Imani Williams; Malik Williams; Jamila Williams; Anaya Ricks-Gaiter and Zhaire Ricks-Gaiter. Later in life Sandra married Roy Martin who proceeds her in death, to which Rori Martin-Thompson (Michael) was born. Rori has three beautiful children; Cheyenne Curtis; Glorius Martez Robinson; and Micah Thompson.

“Aunt San” leaves to cherish her memory a host of nieces and nephews.

“San” also leaves to mourn five brothers: Elvin Canady (Wanda) of Hot Springs, AR; Burnell Canady (Ruby) of Conway, AR; Malvin Canady of Kansas City, MO; Clarence Canady of Kansas City, MO; and Maverick Canady of Kansas City, MO; and four sisters: Lee Atha Black (Robert) of Kansas City, MO; Meverine Williams (Earl) of Booneville, MO; Delores Ross of Kansas City, MO; and Erma McDaniel (James) of Kansas City, MO.

To send flowers

to the family or plant a tree

in memory of Sandra Ann (Canady) Ricks-Martin, please visit our floral store.

[Read More](#)

Tribute Wall

RJ

“ *Blessed are they who mourn they shall be comforted extending my prayers and condolences to the family of Sandra Martin who we affectionately called "Ms Sandy" she will be remembered as an outstanding business woman, a loving grandmother, and certainly a wonderful warm person Rest In Him*

Rev. Daniel Childs, Jr. - June 28, 2019 at 02:28 PM

EM

“ *Sandra Ann (Canady) Ricks-Martin*

Elizabeth Miller/Byers - June 28, 2019 at 11:04 AM

EM

“ *SANDRA YOU WILL TRULY BE MISSED!!!! YOU WHERE SUCH A JOY IN HELPING WITH MY LOVE ONES GOING HOME SERVICES DOWN THRU THE YEARS STARTING IN 1984 MY FATHER OWENER BYERS AKA LONZO!!! AND MANY OTHERS !!! MAY YOU REST IN PEACE !!! LOVE FOREVER YOUR COUSIN LIZ MILLER BYERS AKA SUGARBABE!!!!*

Elizabeth Miller/Byers - June 28, 2019 at 10:51 AM