



Melanie Patrice Church

March 16, 1977 - July 17, 2020

Melanie Church Obituary

Melanie Patrice Church was born in Columbus, Ohio on March 16, 1977 to the parents of Angela Saffold (Church) and Mark Church. She was the eldest of four children.

Melanie was a cheerleader throughout high school and graduated from Bedford High School in 1995. She attended Hampton University and Ohio State University, majoring in Chemical Engineering.

Melanie married Demetrius Little on July 25, 2003 and to this union three children were born; Brendan, Maia and Myles.

Melanie's career began at Human Arc Claims Department and she was later employed at University Hospital.

Melanie enjoyed mentoring elementary students, cooking for her family, reading and listening to podcasts. While she developed a passion for holistic healing and healthy eating, her greatest passion was the love and support she gave to her family.

Melanie was a dedicated wife and mother, a sweet and gentle soul. She lived her life with honor and integrity. Melanie was a dutiful daughter and faithful

sister and friend.

Melanie leaves to cherish her memory, her loving husband ; Demetrius Little, children; Brendan , Maia and Myles; parents; Angela and Roger Saffold, and Mark Church; siblings; Ramah Church, Rodger Saffold III, and Jessica Saffold; aunts, nieces,nephews,cousins and a host of other relatives and friends.

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RC

“ It has taken me a long time to accept the passing of my sister. I am still not and will never fully believe that she is no longer here. Melanie was my best friend, confidant, peace, and light to my world, during my darkest moments & hours. Even amongst life's detours and obstacles, we kept a very strong bond. My joyous moments, best laughs, and greatest times were with her. My sister gave understanding to all people, was kind to all people, was okay to lose for a greater good, putting herself last, and truly wanted the genuine warmth of family and friendship. She was not about stepping on or over others, but would include all people, all the time, no matter what. Melanie kept the fire, of kindness, forgiveness, mercy, understanding, compassion, and love going her whole life. For this, I am so sorry that, that best was not given to her in this life, when she always gave the best of it during hers. However, I know she is fully renewed, treasured, loved, and safe in the arms of the Lord, watching and praying over us all. I love you so much, miss you with every breath I take, and know our spirits will meet again. I truly could not have been blessed to have known a better soul, my big sister. Love you, Love you, Love you, always.

Ramah Church - October 16, 2020 at 03:47 PM

DS

“ My prayers and condolences go out to the family. No words can convey the overwhelming grief I felt when I heard the news of Mel's passing. I will miss our talks and her radiant smile. Mel was such a ray of sunshine. May God comfort you all during this time of sorrow. "Gone too soon....May you rest in Paradise my friend".

Diane Scott - August 08, 2020 at 07:22 PM

DH

“ To Angela and family My heart goes out to you I can't even image how you must feel and I pray I never experience the death of a child. I'm praying for you and the whole family that God will comfort you and give you a peace that surpasses all understanding.Â I didn't know Melanie well however I can tell you what I saw in her she's one of the sweetest young ladies I have ever had the pleasure of meeting. She looks so much like a young Angela.Â She had so many of your traits.Â May the GOD of all comfort be with you through it all. I also pray for the whole family and especially Rema and Jessica and little Rod.Â Psalms 34:18Â The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. God Bless You All

Delores Hammonds - July 28, 2020 at 11:15 AM

CT

“ Melanie was such a sweet gentle spirit. Life is but a vapor. To the Church/Little/Saffold family receive comfort in this trying time. God Bless You all and keep you !! Bedford High School C/O '95

Christy Boone Thomas - July 26, 2020 at 06:29 PM

ND

“ My prayers of comfort to the family during this difficult time.

N'goran Paulette Konan Diby - July 25, 2020 at 01:37 PM

MC

“ Rest in heaven Melanie.Â Praying God's comfort and peace during this difficult time.

Melanie S. Coleman - July 24, 2020 at 04:47 PM

“A beautiful soul. May the Lord comfort the family and friends in this time. ༎ཤི།”

C Harris - July 24, 2020 at 03:13 PM

“Melanie was a beautiful person all around, so saddened of her loss, may her family find comfort in the memories she created with them. She will be remembered always. C/O 95

Kelly Kearney Ciocca - July 24, 2020 at 01:20 PM

“Melanie I am going to miss your beautiful smile and laugh

Monique Walker - July 24, 2020 at 12:11 PM

“Special love and prayers are extended to Melanie’s family!!! Melanie’s beautiful spirit will always remain in my memory whether as a BHS cheerleader, scholar, or member of various school activities. I have many wonderful memories of her and her family especially the many talks in my office with Ramah!!! Love to you all!!! Mrs. Yvonne Sims

Yvonne Sims - July 24, 2020 at 12:11 PM

“My condolences and prayers to Melanie and her family. Such a beautiful and sweet person. Rest peacefully.”

Raynelle Finch - July 24, 2020 at 12:05 PM

LA

“ *Rest in Peace. Â Love, Cousin Latrice*

Latrice - July 24, 2020 at 11:14 AM

AJ

“ *To the family, I am so sorry for your lost. She and I would share short stories and encouragement in the morning in our break room, she was a delight to talk to. I will truly miss her beautiful face, kind heart and smile.*

Antonise Jackson - July 24, 2020 at 08:12 AM

GL

“ *Melanie is a light of a soul who was diminished too soon. Her smile was as luminous as her spirit where she is sure to leave the spaces she occupied dimmer than they have ever been. May her soul have a peaceful journey as her family and loved ones are comforted by God’s embrace.*

George Lee - July 23, 2020 at 11:59 PM

SO

“ *I had the pleasure of knowing and working with Melanie. I am at a loss for words. She was a very beautiful and kind person and she will be missed â€œMy Condolences to her family and friendsÂ*

Sonya - July 23, 2020 at 07:59 PM

GJ

“ Her family as well as the world has lost a truly beautiful and divine soul. Her smile which was as luminous as her spirit will no doubt leave the space she once occupied here dimmer than what she left it. God no doubt needed her more than her loved ones. We wish your soul the most peaceful journey. May the family as well as her close loved ones take comfort in God's loving embrace.Â

George Lee Jr. - July 23, 2020 at 07:28 PM

MA

“ May the Lord's healing Mercy be with you in your time of need.

Michael Alexander - July 23, 2020 at 07:12 PM

DO

“ I had the pleasure of working with Melanie at University Hospitals. My deepest sympathy to the family as Melanie begins her next journey of eternity. May Melanie Rest In Peace.

Dorothy - July 23, 2020 at 04:12 PM

GT

“ We are so sorry to have to write something like this for one of our grand-nieces. Melanie was such a wonderful person to be around, with her great smile. She was a very attentive mother and daughter. She will be missed by her whole family. May she rest in peace. Love, Aunt Dolly and Uncle Gary Thomas.

Gary & Dolly Thomas - July 23, 2020 at 04:03 PM

SJ

“ May the peace of God surround you all during this time. Cousin Shantell(Michigan)

Shantell Johnson - July 23, 2020 at 01:00 PM

IC

“ *Melanie was a kind and gentle soul. She was always willing to be a heart with ears if you needed to talk. I pray that God's comfort will surround her family during this difficult time.*

Ikemma Campbell - July 23, 2020 at 11:28 AM

TS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I share so many memories of fun and laughter from when Melanie and I worked together at Unicare. Thoughts and prayers to you and your family,*

Tammy Saul - July 23, 2020 at 10:48 AM

TM

“ *I am lost for words. An awesome spirit. When she entered the room, her presence was felt. My prayers are with the family. I looked forward to seeing her and Demetrius at my job.*

Ty Moore - July 23, 2020 at 10:19 AM

LJ

“ *Melanie's family, please accept my heartfelt condolences. I pray the God of peace comforts you and heals your hearts during this very difficult time. Melanie is loved and will be missed by many.*

Lance Jethrow - July 23, 2020 at 09:07 AM

VP

“ *To my cousins Angela, and Schavonne , and the entire Church/Little Family, Although i cannot attend, my prayers are with you. I will always remember Melanie's infectious and beautiful smile. May she rest in heaven and may God give you peace in sorrow. Much Love Always*

Valerie Payne - July 23, 2020 at 12:34 AM

AB

“ *Melanie was such a sweet person!!! My deepest condolences & prayers to her Family.... Rest peacefully Melanie.Â*

Aliya Bey - July 22, 2020 at 09:17 PM