



Anita Cheryl Jackson-Cotten

July 31, 1954 - February 7, 2021

Anita Cheryl Jackson-Cotten passed away unexpectedly. Sunday morning February 7th, 2021; and heaven gained an angel. Anita was born Saturday, July 31, 1954 in San Francisco, California. Anita Cheryl Jackson-Cotten passed away unexpectedly. Anita during her childhood modeled; loved to roller skate Anita and helped her community with her membership in "The Leontanettes;" the local neighborhood club. Anita moved to Los Angeles as a teenager and attended Horace Mann Junior High School and Crenshaw High School (Class of '72). Anita ran track and was undefeated in all her track meets! Anita was also an excellent student and writer with beautiful penmanship. In her senior year, Anita was elected parliamentarian of her class and was voted Loudest Mouth. Anita attended California State University, Northridge.

Anita had been retired for a number of years and worked for a number of companies throughout her career including IBM, Grubb & Ellis, Copley/Colony and Starkist - all for whom she traveled extensively throughout the continental USA. She loved her family and always had a story to share about her children and grandchildren. Anita's presence filled the room with laughter and she loved to dance!

Anita is survived by her mother, Dolores Jean Smith; her husband William Cotten; her daughters, Jeanna Works (Greg Cole) and Dior Cotten; her

stepsons, William Cotten and Jordan Cotten; her siblings Denise Ginn (Larry), Karyn Ladeq (Scylar), Ruthie Foley (Rory), Pamela Hardeman, George Hardeman Jr. (Sherie), Gloria Hardeman, and Jackie Lockett (Larry); her grandchildren, Simone, Troi, Hannah, Alexis, and Lodon; 6 step-grandchildren; and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, George Hardeman Sr. (Olivia); her stepfather, John Jackson; and her brother Fredrick Jackson.

Anita was a member of Bates Memorial Baptist Church in Louisville, KY and the Anita Jackson memorial scholarship fund is being established with the church in her honor. The family welcomes donations to the fund in lieu of flowers as expressions of sympathy.

Anita's life will be celebrated Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at A. D. Porter & Sons Funeral Home with walk through visitation from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM followed by a private funeral for family and her closest loved ones. The funeral can be viewed virtually via A. D. Porter & Sons Funeral Home's website.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

A. D. Porter and Sons Funeral Home - Downtown

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Tribute Wall



“ *A D Porter & Sons Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Anita Cheryl Jackson-Cotten*



A.D. Porter & Sons Funeral Home - February 17, 2021 at 09:27 AM

AM

“ *Anita Cheryl... my name sake! I will truly miss you and even though we didn't talk a lot... when we did... oh man!!! I loved our conversations and loved hearing you laugh.*

Rest in Peace my beautiful niece!

Love Aunt Nita

Anita Miles-Jackson - February 17, 2021 at 12:01 PM

TC

“ *Rest in Peace my dear cousin! I love you so much, you were always full laughter and fun! Just an energetic soul, living life to the fullest! Although we lived many miles apart, our hearts were never far from each other. That's the kind of family bond we have. Until we meet again... I love you!*

*Your cousin,
Tonette*

Tonette Cooper - February 17, 2021 at 11:53 AM

Jl

“ My amazing, outgoing and extremely funny Auntie Anita! I can't believe I am writing this in her memory. Auntie I love you always and thank you so much for all the memories and HONEST conversations :). Memories of you have definitely turned some of my tears into laughter, you are missed terribly!! May God continue to comfort my cousins Jeanna and Dior and the entire family!

Jasmine Imo - February 17, 2021 at 11:25 AM

KK

“ My heartfelt condolences to Anita's family. I never thought this day would come so soon however I take comfort in knowing Anita knew Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She would text me about the goodness of God in her life. Anita talked about her family All the time! She Loved her girls Jeanna and Dior and loved sharing stories about her grand babies. Anita was so proud of her families accomplishments. She would text or call me with updates. The last text I received was about she and Lexie throwing snowballs at one another. Anita texted that she was able to throw a good one at Lexie before running inside.
With Love From Above!
Karen Kinslow

Karen Kinslow - February 17, 2021 at 10:19 AM

CA

*My dearly departed cousin. I am so heartbroken. Wish I could have been there. I was in spirit. The video shows it was a beautiful Celebration of your life. I have so many memories to hold onto. I remember our times on 4th Ave in Los Angeles and in Carson. I also remember attending some of your modeling events. You had some cutie pie girlfriends. I remember driving you to Cal-State Northridge when you started college. My most recent memory was the time you spent in my home while in California. We had blast, huh!
You were a wonderful mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, aunt and cousin. Your loving kindness and sense of humor will always be remembered. You are gone to soon but will never be forgotten. I will keep your spirit alive in my heart. I love you Anita Cheryl. Rest peacefully in heaven. Charles Allensworth*

Charles Allensworth - February 18, 2021 at 09:42 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Anita Cheryl Jackson-Cotten.*



February 17, 2021 at 09:45 AM

AP

“ *Many condolences to the family and the many friends who lost a piece of their hearts. To Dior, Simone and Lexi, I'm continually praying for your strength and for the memories you shared to bring so much laughter your belly hurts from it. Love you!*



Ashia Powell - February 17, 2021 at 08:12 AM

KA

“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute wall*



karyn - February 17, 2021 at 08:02 AM

KA

“ 1 file added to the album *Love, Laugh & Tears*



karyn - February 17, 2021 at 08:00 AM

SR

“ *Dancing and singing in the bedroom, watching my beautiful cousin Anita Cheryl get ready for a night on the town. Living with Aunt Doe and Uncle Vernon in Carson, Ca with all their children 7 of us. I was only about 9 or 10 years old. Looking up to your big cousin was something I hold dear to my heart to this day. Antia Cheryl was the beauty queen, my own next Top Model. Love and affection was what she showed me. I will always love and appreciate her love for me. So I would like to say thank you for your unconditional love for me. Love you always*

Shari Roberts - February 17, 2021 at 02:05 AM

SR

“ *Dancing in the bedroom and singing. Getting ready for the evening. I was only 9 or 10 years old. Watching my beautiful cousin. As a young girl we look up to our older cousins. Living with Aunt Doe and uncle vernon in Carson, Ca and all her children denise, anita Cheryl, karen. Big rick. Jeffery and Kevin. So much for a little girl to take in. We had no choice but to be loud. Love and affection is what my cousin Anita Cheryl gave me. Thank you for being such a beautiful, amazing person, that I will always love. My beautiful next TopModel. RIP.*

Shari Roberts - February 17, 2021 at 01:40 AM

CH

“ *May your wings soar you through the heavens, as they did on earth. Cuz you would truly been missed, you did your own thing and you had your own style, you're up close and personal personality made you Anita Cheryl.... May you Rest N Heavenly Peace 🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏*

Cheeko - February 17, 2021 at 01:00 AM

MC

“ *God bless and keep you all. May Nita Cheryl rest in peace and glory with the Lord. All my love to everyone.
Aunt Carol*

Mary Carol - February 16, 2021 at 10:41 PM

SP

“ *Anita Cheryl was one of the sweetest people you will ever know. I met the family in early 1964 she was always smiling and always had a story to tell that would make you laugh until you cry. If it was something that went on at school or something that was not going to work out in her favor she told it anyway. Her dimples was always a part of her beauty she had a big heart loved people and will surely be missed. To the family you know you have been my family from the start I love you and will always be here for you as close as a phone call. Love Sammie*

Sammie L Porter - February 15, 2021 at 07:30 PM