



Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels

August 10, 1949 - November 28, 2013

A Celebration Of Peace and Love:

Marcia Daniels was the firstborn to the union of the late Burgess G. Wilson Sr. and Ocie Belle Cain on August 10, 1949 in Detroit, Michigan.

Marcia received her formal education from the Detroit Public Schools. She graduated from Mackenzie High School. She then attended the Detroit Institute of Commerce receiving a diploma in Stenography.

In 1966, she married Eugene Patrick Simpson. To this union two children were born, Deirdre Renee and Eugene Patrick Jr.

For over 36 years, Marcia had an honorable career with the Government of the United States. Her career began at the Veterans Administration Hospital and ended in 2009 when she retired from the United States Postal Service.

Marcia was a member of Christ Lutheran Church for over 40 years. She served as a Deacon and was a choir member for a number of years. In addition, Marcia was a member of the African American Lutheran Association and Daughters of Ruth Prayer Group.

A love for Mother Africa led Marcia to participate in an official naming ceremony in 1993 where she received her African name Nana Ekua Botwe.

Her love affair with Africa and its people was also exhibited through numerous visits to Ghana, West Africa and Gambia. Ekua's yearning for knowledge and her desire to seek the truth led her to actively participate in various think tanks and study groups such as Eye of Heru and Khephera Study Groups. She was a member of the Association for the Classical Study of African Civilization (ASCAC), Fihankra International and the Light Bearer's Book Club. Her spiritual path led her to be a student of the Course in Miracles. Most recently, she studied with the LOVE Communication ACIM Group. Previously, she studied with Circles of Light Ministries and Blessed Circle of Love.

She was a diligent student of IPET ISUT Institute. Recently, she elected to elevate her self-expression by completing the Landmark Forum and Advanced Course. She was committed to expanding her mind over and above what she could ever believe and she urged others to do the same.

Ekua loved to write poetry which was a way to express the many heart-felt moments of her life. Her poetry, which revealed her experiences and personal growth, shows how much she embraced the cycle of life. Interestingly, Ekua was somewhat shy and used poetry as an outlet for self-expression.

A woman of many talents for Ekua was also a seamstress for over 50 years. She created some of the most exquisite gowns and clothing imaginable. She also imparted this mastery onto her two children. Ekua was a "hard core" bid whist player, and had an outrageous laugh that was contagious. She loved to travel both domestically and abroad.

Ekua was an avid lover of jazz. She enjoyed attending live jazz performances at "Baker's Keyboard Lounge", the "Dirty Dog Cafe" and looked forward to attending the annual Detroit Jazz Festival. Her favorite artist was the renowned Nina Simone.

Ekua found her freedom and deliverance on November 28, 2013.

Cemetery Details

Gethsemane Cemetery

10755 Gratiot
Detroit, MI 48213

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Dec. **6**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Wake Service

Friday, Dec. **6**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
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Family Hour

Saturday, Dec. 7. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

Saturday, Dec. 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Eugene,
As you comprehend the profound loss, let yourself cry knowing
each tear is a note of love rising to the heavens. My heart and
prayers are with you my special friend.
Shelley Southers*

shelley southers - December 06, 2013 at 05:04 PM



“ *Deidre, I am very sorry to hear of the loss of
your loved one. May god be with you and your
family during this time of bereavement. Gia
Peterson*



Gia Peterson - December 06, 2013 at 03:35 PM



“ *Dear Deirdre, I am so sorry to hear that you
loss your mom. May the Lord our God comfort
you and your family at this difficult time.
Monica Lam*



Monica Lam - December 06, 2013 at 02:28 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels.*



December 05, 2013 at 07:28 PM



“ *Patricia Wilkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels*



Patricia Wilkins - December 05, 2013 at 02:34 PM



“ *Eugene & Family,*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you! I did not know your mom but I do know her son as a kind young gentleman! Must have done something right!

Deborah Bracey



D Bracey - December 05, 2013 at 02:30 PM



“ *To my sister, your smile, jovial spirit and love will always be in my heart. You truly do make every occasion special. With the various issues you had with your health you never once complained. Will miss you and love you always. Love your sister Toni.*

Toni Wilson - December 05, 2013 at 11:23 AM

RP

“ *Rosalind Polk lit a candle in memory of Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels*



Rosalind Polk - December 05, 2013 at 07:51 AM

EM

“ *Deirdre Renee:*

*You have been in my thoughts since the news of your dear mother's transition. Know that I surround you and your family with love and light, knowing how blessed you are to know the Truth about your mom and to support her in this transition to yet another new chapter in her life, as she moves on to a higher and more powerful experience. . .where she is unencumbered. May peace be with you and your family. You are truly a gracious spirit of love and light.
Love and blessings,
Emani*

Emani - December 04, 2013 at 10:08 PM

EM

“ *Let us Pray:
As we contemplate Your Eternal Presence,
and are
filled with the awareness that what is good
and lovely
will never perish, but will live on in our minds and in
our hearts, we thank you, Father, for our loving
memories of Marcia 'Ekua Botwe" Daniels.*

*Much love,
Emani*



Emani - December 04, 2013 at 10:01 PM

RG

“ *Roseann Foster Graves lit a candle in
memory of Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels*



Roseann Foster Graves - December 04, 2013 at 06:56 PM

MO

“ I'd like to share a Zen like story that has helped me.

A famous monk, who was a great teacher, died. Thousands of disciples came to pay homage to the monk. To their amazement they found the chief disciple weeping. They were at a loss to understand him - an unattached person should not weep, especially one who has always said that the spirit never dies! Someone came and asked, "Why do you weep?"

The disciples insisted on an answer, "You have always said that the spirit is immortal! Why do you weep then?"

He replied, "I still maintain that the spirit is immortal. But that does not stop the eyes of my body from weeping for these eyes will never look upon my friends body again.

-Zen

*Beloved Ekua,
While my eyes may weep, for they long to see you, and my ears may ring, for they long to hear you. I will still maintain that your eternal spirit lives on.*

So, I say to you my beautiful friend:

Peaceful Journey

-With love and condolence to the family

-Mona Underwood



Mona - December 04, 2013 at 05:45 PM

DB

“ *Deirdre Renee Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. Marcia "Ekua Botwe" Daniels*



Deirdre Renee Brown - December 03, 2013 at 06:24 AM

DB

“ *Dearest Mom,*

My earthly angel. Ever since I could remember looking at you looking back at me, you have had a twinkle in your eyes and the unconditional love you have given me ALL of my life has been amazing. It is clearly a metaphor for how God loves me and my 7 Billion brothers and sisters no matter what. I celebrate your liberation in the truest sense...Job Well Done. I am forever blessed and thankful for you, your love, your lessons, your laughter, your life and the gift of my life. I LOVE YOU!!!! xoxox, Deirdre Renee

Deirdre Renee Brown - December 03, 2013 at 06:21 AM