



Darlene Lynette Pickney

December 12, 1965 - February 9, 2018

Darlene Lynette Pickney, 52 of Jonesboro, passed away suddenly February 9, 2018 at the St. Bernard's Medical Center.

Born December 12, 1965 in Anaheim, California; daughter of Darrell Pickney and Dr. Linda Heard. She was mentally disabled, but she loved her family and friends, Mickey Mouse, singing, purses, watches and house shoes. She lived most of her life with great care from the Arkansas Human Development Centers.

Survivors include her mother, Dr. Linda Heard of Hot Springs; her father, Darrell (Faye) Pickney of Hoxie; three sisters, Michael-Elizabeth Swofford of Fayetteville, Heather (Daniel) Bradway of Jonesboro, Tammy (Russell) Hall of Lake City; five nieces and nephews, Isabel Sabag, Jaxon and Lynnox Bradway, Kelsie and Blake Hall; ten aunts and uncles, Marsha Moore, Joe, Ted, Terry and Bob Heard, Verma Linebaugh, Gilbert, Delbert, Melvin and James Pickney; and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral Service will be Monday, February 12, 2018 at 2 P.M. in the First Baptist Church in Hoxie with Rev. Steven Farmer officiating; he is the superintendent of the Jonesboro Human Development Center that Darlene has lived at for over thirty years. Pallbearers will be Melvin and James Pickney, Terry McNelly, Daniel Bradway, Ben Moore, Blake and Russell Hall.

Interment will follow in the Manning #1 Cemetery near Hoxie.

Visitation will be Sunday evening from 5 P.M. till 7 P.M. in the Bryan Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Manning #1 Cemetery

Lawrence Rd 719
Promised Land, AR 72476

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bryan Funeral Home
415 NW Texas St.
Hoxie, AR 72433

Funeral Service

FEB 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Hoxie
200 S. W. Lindsey
Hoxie, AR 72433

Tribute Wall



“ *Darlene Lynette Pickney*

January 29, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.*



February 12, 2018 at 11:25 AM



“ *Sweet Darlene, 1400 will never be the same..... you're personality shined daily and there was never a dull moment with you. I would get tickled when you called me "Cheryl Willie" lol and felt special when you would say "Shona" it let me know that I was doing something pretty grand!! Your kisses on the cheek and sweet hugs could make anyone feel great!! Oh how we're gonna miss you girl!!!! Thank you Mrs Linda for trusting us with Darlene. I would always brag on how involved you guys were and I loved every bit of it. We could mention "Momma Linda" and she would light up like a light bulb!!!! Darlene was family to us and we're gonna miss her so much!!! Our prayers are with you guys!!!*

Lashonda Hughes - February 12, 2018 at 11:17 AM

MC

“ Dearest Darlene,
I'm not sure where to start on memories. Having known you for 12 years, the memories are plentiful. I think my favorite part of knowing you is knowing that when you said "I like you Lyssa", you meant it. Not just to me, of course. I will miss your hugs so much! As well as that infectious smile and that sweet giggle. I'll miss never knowing what to expect to come out of your mouth and trying to hold back laughter when it may have been slightly inappropriate for the situation.

I really hate that you had to go so soon but it is evident that God needed you home. I do find it comforting to know that you are liberated from your disability, and from that pesky 'Mike'. You're free now, and perfect, and I long for the day I get to see you (and our other special friends) in your eternal forms.

One last time, Darlene. I like you, too. In fact, I love you. I know it won't be the same around here at JHDC without you and you'll be missed every day. But we will share our memories and sing your songs until we're able to see you again in all of your glory.

I won't forget going to eat at Fazoli's with you and Momma Linda nor the tour you and Momma Linda gave me of your beautiful Cherry Street abode!

Momma Linda & Mr. Pickney - thank you for giving us Darlene and for allowing us to love her as you did. I will always have a special place in my heart for Darlene and I will always be thankful that she had you two as her parents. I love how active you guys were with her life, always. Please know that Darlene could never, ever question if she was loved by you. I am so sorry for your loss and I hope you also find comfort in knowing that Darlene is free now.

Love to all of Darlene's family and friends during this time. And love to our special JHDC Family too.

Trust and Obey!
Lyssa (Melissa Crow)

Melissa Crow - February 12, 2018 at 09:20 AM

TB

“ I love you Darlene ,you have been a part of my life for 28 years just like one of my own children. You were the only person I know to call me Tana I remember the time you came back from visiting your grandma and I found your grandma 's purse in your closet there with her drivers liscense and her money when I went to ask Darlene about the purse she just laughed and said grandma gave me money she was so funny and full of joy Darlene you will be greatly missed!!!!

Tina Bass - February 11, 2018 at 08:25 PM

LH

Tina, You have been one of the most important people in my lie the last many years because you were my direct and continuing connection to Darlene's care for so long. I always knew I could count on you and your daughter. Thanks for your love for Darlene, and thanks or.....so many things. Love you. Momma Linda

Linda Heard - February 11, 2018 at 09:49 PM

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“ Sara Adams 'Sally' purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.



Sara Adams 'Sally' - February 11, 2018 at 07:42 PM



“ *Touching Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.*



February 11, 2018 at 06:01 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.*



February 11, 2018 at 02:08 PM



“ *I use to work the early morning hours with Darlene. I loved coming and seeing her bright smile. I never knew where our conversations would go. She was loved very much. She will be missed.*

Jennifer Lawrence - February 11, 2018 at 01:12 PM

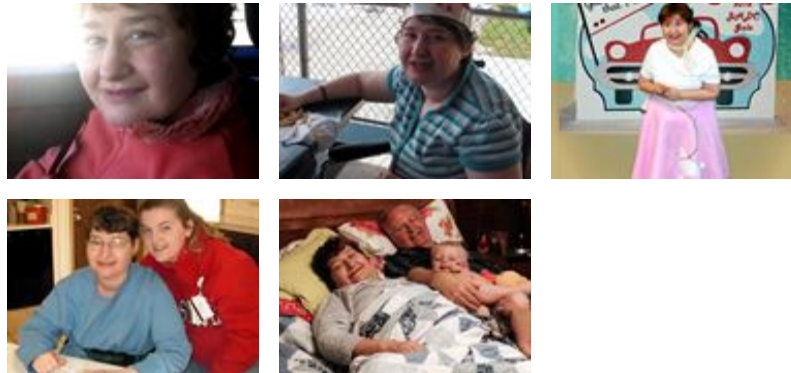


*Thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers.
Shirley and Hamil.*

Shirley and Hamil Million - February 11, 2018 at 03:40 PM



“ 71 files added to the album Life Tributes



Bryan Funeral Home - February 10, 2018 at 11:15 PM

VG

“ I can remember walking into Darlene's bedroom to assist her with getting her day started. How her eyes would spread open so big and she would say Pam.. Hey Pam... I like you... then she would go off into her rant about Mike.. Boy! JHDC will never be the same. Btw.. My actual name is Volita Garrett lol. I loved her. You'll forever be in my heart. R.I.L Dp 🥺💕 #myfriend

Volita Garrett - February 10, 2018 at 06:58 PM

LH

Thanks for everything you did for my sweet baby Darlene. She loved all of you.

Linda Heard - February 11, 2018 at 09:51 PM

JF

“ Darlene was a joy to be around. I could walk in 1400 in the mornings to do my rounds and I could be having a bad day but she always put a smile on my face. She will be truly missed by all of us at JHDC!

Julie Francis - February 10, 2018 at 05:05 PM

CW

I use to take Darlene home with me and she would always want me to make her macaroni and cheese and I did! We had so much fun and she went home with me one Thanksgiving and after she finished eating 2 plates of food. She told me that she was hungry and to take her to McDonalds! She made me smile everyday! She remembers the name of my doctor and would always ask about him! She was full of life and could put a smile on anyone's face! I will never forget you Darlene and I will love you forever! Rest in Love, sweetie! I love you! Cheryl Willie

Cheryl Willie - February 11, 2018 at 09:32 AM

LH

Cheryl, you were one of the most special people in Darlene's life. One of the pictures on the slide that we are showing are with you and Darlene at her graduation and she was smiling so great looking at you. She talked about "Cheryl Willie" all of the time. Bless you Cheryl. Darlene loved you and I love you. Momma Linda

Linda Heard - February 11, 2018 at 09:57 PM

TF

“ The Pickney Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.



The Pickney Family - February 10, 2018 at 04:47 PM

FR

“ Families & Friends of Care Facility Residents purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.



Families & Friends of Care Facility Residents - February 10, 2018 at 04:43 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Darlene Lynette Pickney.*



February 10, 2018 at 04:06 PM