



## Edna Mae Helem

March 1, 2017

Edna Mae Helem, age 51, went home to God on March 1, 2017 at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia, PA. Edna was cherished by her family and is survived by her loving daughter Jamika Helem and her only adorable granddaughter, Harper Stone. She is also survived by her two brothers, John and Ivan Helem and will be sadly missed by her nieces and nephews.

Edna was born on January 14, 1966 in Fairfax County, VA. to her late parents, John Johnson and Phyllis Helem. She graduated from Chantilly High School in Chantilly, VA. Edna proudly served her country in the U. S. Army after which she went on to pursue her Bachelors Degree and then a Masters degree in Network Engineering. She worked for several years as a government contractor with Lockheed Martin and BAE Systems. She loved fishing, the Dallas Cowboys, playing basketball, and animals (especially her own dogs Domino, Keno, and Mary).

No matter what life threw her way, she always continued to press on toward her goals. She never hesitated to stand up for herself and others. She had a big heart and loved helping others when she could.

To sum up who Edna was-she was stubborn and proud but also funny, beautiful, and strong. She was my mother and I will love her until we meet again in Eternity! -----

Jamika Helem

Donations will be accepted by contacting Jamika.

# Previous Events

## Interment

MAY **12.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery  
18424 Joplon Rd.  
Triangle, VA 22172

## Memorial Service

MAY **20.** 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Harvest Assembly Baptist Church  
8008 Fordson Rd.  
Alexandria, VA 22306

# Tribute Wall

AB

“ I am so sorry to hear the passing of Edna Mea Helem. Edna was amazing human being. She was kind, smart and had extremely measured moral compass. Edna and I shared 9 years of marriage. She was most wonderful wife and friend you have ever meet. Dignity and character were her hallmark. We once decided to take a vacation. As we purchased tickets and rent a car, Edna and met a homeless man on the streets of Charleston, SC. After, brief discussion with the homeless man, Edna decided to cancel our vacation and instead provide the man and his family a money to rent home. Well we have 10 days planned vacation but, we end up a night in Charleston, SC and drove back home next day. That is Edna Mea Helem. Always, selfless thinking next human being in a need.

*I surely missed Edna but, humanity missed her the most. God bless you Edna/  
We all love you and missed you.*

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**Abdi** - November 06, 2019 at 04:00 PM

LJ

“ I remember when I was going to Mount Vernon Elementary School and Edna and I was in the 5th grade with Ms. Session as our teacher and this girl I can't remember her name but she just did not like me for no reason at all. So one day at school everybody was saying that the girl was going to fight me after school. So after school me and the young lady are standing face to face she is saying something and I am just standing their just waiting for whatever is suppose to happen when you are face to face with a person that just dose not like you but out of no where Edna reached across me and commence to beating this girl. That is the type of person Edna was she hated bullies. She was always mentally and physical strong. With the best smile and beautiful eyes. God Bless Edna Helen.

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**Latonga "Missy" Johnson** - April 25, 2017 at 09:36 AM

TC

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**Terrence Carpenter** - April 29, 2017 at 09:28 AM

KE

“ I remember spending weekends at your home and having so much fun! Thank you for those memories. Praying for loved ones, you will be missed.

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**Kennise** - March 31, 2017 at 05:34 PM

TC

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Terrence Lamonte Carpenter - March 28, 2017 at 09:00 AM

TC

“ 6 files added to the tribute wall



Terrence Lamonte Carpenter - March 21, 2017 at 05:15 PM

TJ

“ I'm so glad that we had a chance to spend time together a few years ago, you were so beautiful inside and out and thank you for allowing me to give you that makeover that was fun playing in makeup and trying on different wig. You will truly be missed!!! Love you always. 💕💕💕💕💕

Teanna Johnson - March 21, 2017 at 03:26 PM