



*Sonya*  
ANTONIA BRYANT

SEPTEMBER 11, 1959 – FEBRUARY 23, 2023

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

WAKE: 10:00 A.M.

FUNERAL: 11:00 A.M.

GIDDENS MEMORIAL CHAPEL

2980 MEADE AVENUE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89102

# THE LIFE CELEBRATION OF *Sonya Antonia Bryant*

Our beloved, Sonya (Toni) Bryant, 63, was born September 11, 1959, at Rose Delima Hospital, in Henderson, Nevada to Elishes and Clarice Blake (Daville). After graduating from Rancho High School in 1977, Sonya went on to work in the casino industry in various clerical and management positions.

She dedicated her life to helping children, which led her to a career as a special needs bus driver for Clark County School District.

In 1984, she briefly met her future husband, and the love of her life, Donald, in Las Vegas. To both their surprise, two years later (in 1986) their paths crossed again; acknowledging a heavenly connection in their lives, shortly thereafter they were united in marriage on March 1, 1987.

Sonya (Toni) was one of a kind. She was a loving wife, mother to many, and aunt. Sonya's laugh was unforgettable and contagious. Her spirit and laughter meant "I love you and I'm so glad to see you". Her enormous laughter and love for her family and friends, left you with a sense of healing, togetherness and purpose. "A merry heart doeth good like medicine..." (Prov. 17:22).

She was preceded in death by her father, Elishes Blake; brothers, Wallace, Kenneth Earl and Ronald Eugene; and sister, Lynette. She leaves to cherish her life, legacy and memories, her husband of 36 years, Donald; a step-son, Donald, Jr.; her mother, Clarice Daville; siblings, James Edward, Mary LaNell, Vaneda, Eloise, and Patrick Wayne; loving in-laws; aunts and uncles; and a host of nephews and nieces, cousins, and friends, who deeply loved her.

Thank you to Min. Lynell Williams (Sonya's sister) for the following closing paragraphs...

On February 23, 2023, when Love (Sonya), returned back to Love (The Heavenly Father), a resounding laughter broke out in heaven as family members who had gone before her welcomed and embraced her into her heavenly home! Although it goes without saying, we greatly miss Sonya's presence. Yet in the midst of our sadness, we have a sense of joy and peace in the knowledge that we will see her again soon, where we all will laugh and live together in eternity.

So on this day, we surrender our will to God's divine will, as we release our loved one, Sonya into the arms of her Heavenly Father with the knowledge that His love for her is far greater than we could ever imagine.

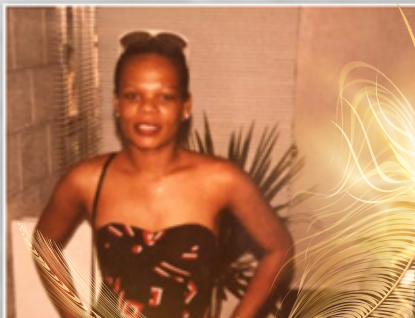
# THE LIFE CELEBRATION OF *Sonya Antonia Bryant*

Processional.....	Clergy & Family
Old Testament Reading.....	Jeanette Bryant
New Testament Reading.....	Tonya Mayes
Prayer of Comfort.....	Bishop Roy Rogers
Musical Tribute.....	“God in You” Eric Roberson
Reading of Acknowledgements & Obituary.....	Jeanette Bryant
Video Presentation.....	Bryant/Blake Family
Remarks (Two Minutes Please).....	Family & Friends
Musical Selection.....	Pastor Madeline Rogers
Eulogy.....	Pastor Madeline Rogers
Recessional.....	Clergy & Family

## RECEPTION

(Immediately Following)  
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A woman with curly hair is holding a memorial card. The card features a landscape with mountains, a river, and a crescent moon. The text on the card is a poem and acknowledgements.

**POEM FROM HUSBAND  
DONALD BRYANT**

They Say There Is A Reason”

~Author Unknown~

They say there is a reason,  
They say that time will heal,  
But neither time nor reason  
Will change the way I feel.  
For nobody knows the heartache  
That lies behind my smile,  
nobody knows how many times,  
I have broken down and cried.  
I want to tell you something,  
So there won't be any doubt,  
You are so wonderful to think of,  
But so hard to live without.  
We cannot bring the old days back  
When we were together  
But our chain will never be broken  
and your memory will live in my heart forever.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Perhaps you sent a lovely card... Perhaps you sent a floral piece... Perhaps you spoke kind words...or prayed and held us in your thoughts. Whatever consolation you brought, we thank you for your part. May God bless and keep you all!

To the Sandbox Crew (Toni, Debra, Brenda, and Cynthia), I love you and thank you. Donald.



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