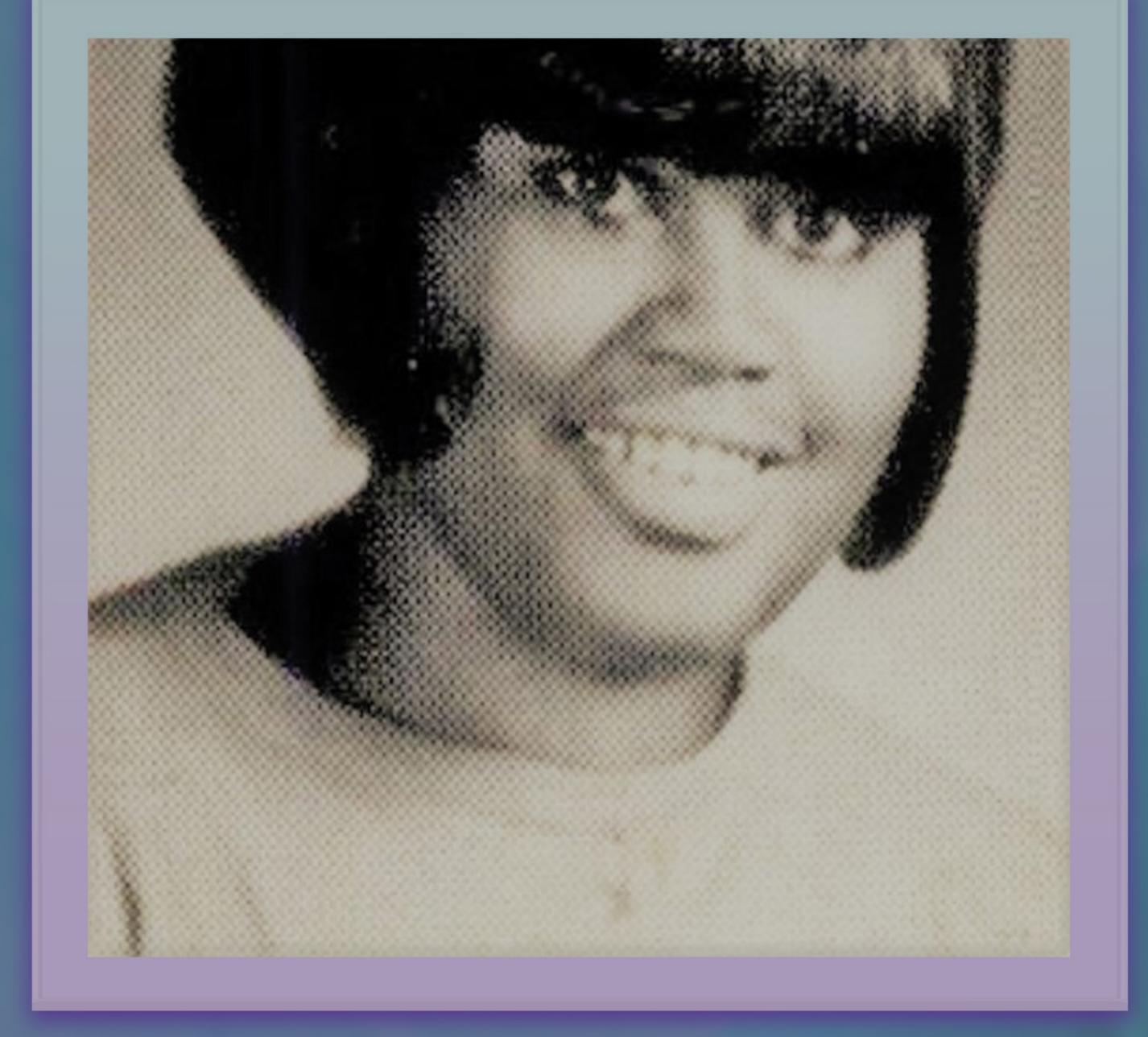


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Charlette Janice Rios was born October 30, 1951, in Denver, CO to Charles B. Rios and Delilah Mae Phoenix. Charlette was the third child born to this union. She was raised and surrounded by her sisters Delilah and Tamara.

Charlette's mother passed at a young age while her father remained in Ohio with his spouse. She was then adopted by Kenneth and Helena Jackson. To this addition, she obtained two new siblings Janice Jackson and Kenneth Jackson Jr. Charlette and her sister Janice were two peas in a pod as her brother Kenny was diagnosed with cerebral palsy at a young age.

From an early age, Charlette enjoyed the outdoors. Whether it was jumping rope, riding bikes, roller skating, or just walking around the neighborhood. She also loved animals. She always said that when she grew up, she was going to live on a farm.

Charlette received her education through Denver Public Schools. Attending primary school at Harrington and Mount Calvary, secondary at Smiley Middle School, and later attended and graduated from East High School.

Throughout their high school years, Janice would attempt to give Charlette driving lessons and boy was it a lesson. Sometimes a hard one learnt lol. Charlette would always want to hop in the driver's seat at every chance she got. Always ending up getting in trouble.

Soon after graduating high school, Charlette met Claudia "Red" Evans the two of them were inseparable and as she would say "Always Into Something". From this relationship her first child Kola was born, she had a set of twins but only Kola survived.

Charlette was a loving and devoted mother, who took great pride and joy in the care and nurture of her family. She enjoyed having someone to care for and care for her.

She and her sister Janice would soon gain employment at a local hotel for the summer. It was at this time that she gained interest in writing. Charlette had an imagination out of this world and wherever it would go her pen was sure to follow. She wrote anything from poetry to short stories. Her goal was to have her own book published one day.

Charlette loved to dance. The Cha Cha was her favorite. All you would have to do to was start singing "Let Me See Your Jelly Roll" and she would get to moving. Both Charlette and Janice were frequent visitors at nightclubs such as, Cloud 9 and The Shapes. Sometimes even heading down to Colorado Springs with her girlfriends to party with the fellas on the base.

Years would pass and she would later meet Mr. Robert "Hat Boy" Sanders. To this union, Lil Robert Rios was born. As a mother of two, she felt it was time embrace adulthood.

By profession, Charlette was employed as a Bartender at Duke's, an Insurance Associate for Travelers, a Case Manager for Blue Cross Red Shield, and later became an Administrative Director for Tate Masonry. Wherever employed, she was dedicated, hardworking, and performed her duties with the spirit or excellence. She continued to carry a jovial personality which put others at ease.

A woman of faith and belief in the Lord, Charlette would make her rounds visiting several different churches throughout the years. She believed in the power of prayer and having the right relationship with the Lord.

In 1992, Charlette married Mr. Reginald Tate. They exchanged vows in a little chapel in Las Vegas. Reginald "Reggie" was the love of her life. The two of them loved to go camping, traveling both nationally and internationally, taking trips in the RV, watching horror movies, and drinking Pepsi and eating popcorn.

As her children got older, and her son Robert became a father; Charlette began to embrace being a grandmother. She truly loved each and everyone of her grandchildren who were all an additional source of joy and pride in her life. They remember all the happy and precious moments they shared together which included her making them laugh and never expiring a dull moment. As everyone knows, it was "Puda" who was her little shadow.

Charlette had the biggest heart and would take care of anyone who was ever in need. Her son Robert would recall several of his friends and a few people he didn't know coming to stay with them throughout the years. With his friends giving her the nickname "Mama Crip" lol. Charlette didn't mind she'd just roll with the punches.

As previously stated, Charlette loved the outdoors. Charlette and Reggie would soon obtain land in Rush, Colorado. Here they would truly embrace the life she has always wanted to live. At the land she had chickens, horses, pigs, and a rooster named "Rock Star". She would often have the little ones come down to spend a week or two on the land during they're breaks from school.

Charlette enjoyed working with her hands, so the land was perfect for her. She would get up every morning, have her cup of coffee and a Maverick cigarette. Go out and feed the chickens, hogs, and horses. She would later do a little gardening and landscaping, then back to the house for a Pepsi and another Maverick. She would spend her free time crocheting and shopping for flowers, seeds, and whatever she chose to plant. She would also shop for some of her favorite items which was hats, turquoise and silver jewelry. She really loved her Native American Heritage.

Her favorite holidays were her Birthday, Halloween, and Christmas. Known as a jokester, Charlette would often pass gas in public just to see people's reactions. She thought that it was the funniest thing.

The simplest pleasures in life brought her joy. She never needed much but was always willing to give. Her pleasant personality was contagious to everyone she met, to know her was to love her.

She is preceded in death by, her father and mother Charles B. Rios and Delilah Mae Phoenix, mother and father Kenneth and Helena Jackson, and her sister Tamara.

Charlette Rios passed away peacefully on December 5, 2022. Those left to cherish her memory and mourn her loss include her husband, Reginald Tate Sr.; her sons, Robert, Lennis Sr., and Reggie Jr.; her daughter, Kola; her brother, Kenneth Jr.; her sisters, Delilah, Janice (Michael) Harris; grandchildren, Naquan, Sandra, Zy'Aira, Kola, Giamari, Reggie III, Lennis, Kali, Rueben, Lennis Jr., and Deoshana, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and many friends.

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Some of you wondered how or why Charlette was called "Puddin" most of her life. It's because my being her big sister I tried to teach her how to pronounce the word "pudding". (Which we had a lot of after dinners.) and she couldn't pronounce it correctly so it always came out "PUDD-IN". So that's how it started. Charlette and I grew up together and most of the time we got along. But as sister's are, a lot of time we didn't. But for the past few years we talked almost daily. Usually about family. She really loved her family and did all she could to provide and protect them. Good and/or bad she gave her all to always be there to help. I'll miss our chats, lunch outings, cooking and just spending time talking about everything and everybody. She put up a good long and hard fight. Bless her big heart!

I'm forever "Puddin's" big sister and I'll see her again. NO MORE PAIN! Love you little sister.

Always your big sis, MA

I miss my lovely grandma. She was the best in the whole world. Even though she died doesn't mean she's not with us. My lovely grandma deserves more than this. It's not fair that she couldn't stay in this world. I miss you grandma and you lived a wonderful life. But you're safer in heaven then you are in this world. I love you so much and I wish you a very good Christmas. Papa loves you and so does the rest of the family. Remember you are everything to us. No matter what!

- Love Lil Kola Rios



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During a time like this, we learn how much our friends really mean to us. For all the many kindnesses shown, phone calls, food, prayers, cards, and flowers, we are truly grateful. Your expression of sympathy will always be treasured. We appreciate you and pray for God's blessings in your lives.

~ The Family of Charlette Rios-Tate ~

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