



Kim Arlene Withers

June 2, 1960 - May 1, 2008

Kim Arlene Withers of Washington, DC departed this life suddenly on Thursday, May 1, 2008.

She was the devoted mother of Onteia V. Cohen. She is also survived by a brother Ronald T. Butler, 4 sisters Pamela A. Johnson, Jayne I., Sheila K., and Maria A. Withers; a granddaughter, nieces, nephews, a host of other relatives and friends.

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“ *Kim Arlene Withers*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *WOW! It has been a whole year since your passing. I miss you so much. I know that you are up in heaven smiling down on us and seeing us live our daily lives. I am comforted in knowing that I will oneday see you again! By the way your little Dark and Lovely is growing up so fast! She will be 2 soon...I can hardly believe it myself. She is so smart Aunt Kim, she is talking so well, now if we can only get her to use the potty!*

Koko graduates from medical school this Saturday! I am so proud of her and I know that you are too.

I love you and miss you much!

Your Neice Robin##imported-begin##Robin Chambers##imported-end##

May 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ We recently took a ride down to North Carolina to see Devon. It didn't quite feel right that you were not with us. Know that you are missed very much. I become sad whenever someone asks me how many sisters I have. I still think I have 4 sisters. I know it's still early, but I wonder if I'll ever get over saying I have 3 sisters living.

I miss you very much. I often look at your pictures and remember all the good times we shared. I can still hear you call out to me "Hey sis." love and miss you every day.##imported-begin##Jayne##imported-end##

July 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Happy birthday Lady!!!!!!

Hi Aunt Kim... it is your birthday. I miss you so much. It doesn't feel like it has been a whole month since you passed away. I look at you picture every single day. I have your face as my screen saver on my cell phone you know how much I talk on my cell!!!!

I have my moments of feeling sad about you being gone in the physical, whenever I look at Kinney. To know that you won't get to hear her say Hi Grandma and to see her grow up. She is such a wonderful little baby we are spoiling her so. We have been spending so much time with her I guess it is helping us cope with losing you.

Well, I just wanted to wish you a happy birthday, even though where you are every day is your birthday you are partying with GOD!! I am so happy you are not suffering down here anymore, even though I miss you so.

Until we are together again!!!!

I love you so much!!!!##imported-begin##Robin##imported-end##

June 02, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Well little sis, you're weighing heavy on my mind today. Maybe it's because your birthday is near. Wow!! It's hard to believe that it will be a month that you've been gone. I can't fathom the idea of never hearing your laugh, or funny jokes again. I know I can still hear you in my head because it's all so new, but I'm afraid with time I'll lose the sound of your voice altogether. I hope not.

I miss you so much. I wish we could have had more time together, but I'm grateful for the time we did share.

You knew your time was short. I recall as the weeks crept closer to your transition date, you wanted to spend even more time with your family than usual. I'm so grateful for our last few dates together when we went to the dentist office. I told someone, my sister was with me from the early morning hours until nearly midnight, when Raoul and I took her home. We went to the dentist, to the grocery store, to Radio Shack for a prepaid cell phone, and back to my house to wash clothes. Raoul fixed us dinner and we ate and laughed. You wanted a sip of wine, and you and Raoul gained up on me when I protested the both of you eating the processed mac and cheese he cooked for dinner. I'm so grateful that you and I could have that time together. It was so nice and a very lovely memory for me to hold near. At our last visit to the dentist, I recall you were falling asleep and as you did so, your body would move forward. I'd move you in the direction of my shoulder and after so many times, you finally lay your head firmly on my shoulder sleeping deeply. That felt good.

I recall near the end, you'd have a tough time climbing steps and one such time, I helped you up the stairs and Raoul helped you down and you never complained, not once. You were a trooper to the end.

I'm glad you told me that you loved me at the end of each conversation as your time grew near.

I'm glad that you made every effort to participate in family functions. You were at my wedding, graduation; every event, no matter how sick you were you'd come. Thank you for every time you came out even when you were loosing ground.

It's hard to believe that we won't see you anymore. Who will eat all the left overs? Who will be my greatest cheerleader now that you are gone?

Sometimes I think that you are just away on a mini vacation or something. I keep thinking that you'll walk through the front door and say "Hey Sis, I'm here."

You were a wonderful, loyal, funny, sassy, sexy and smart sister. I will miss you always.

Love ya, your Sis Jayne##imported-begin##Jayne##imported-end##

May 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ My dear sweet sister,

There are not enough words to express this loss. To lose one of my sisters is like losing a limb. You were apart of my life for 47 years, but despite the loss, I am very grateful for the time we shared. I know that you are at peace now--no more pain, no more stress and no more illness. You can finally breathe deeply and freely. More importantly, you can strut "your assets" without a care.

You were so strong and worked very hard to fight through the difficult times. I remember how you never wanted to be a burden to anyone. You gave your last and always toughed through many adversities often saying "I'm okay." Even when you weren't.

You could always see the positive, when I often felt hopeless. Whenever I would become afraid about something, I would think about all that you would endure on a daily basis and would soon realize that I have so much to be grateful for.

You and I have always been the crybabies of the family; easily brought to tears about so many things. We were the sentimental sensitive sisters. I remember whenever you would witness one of your neices, nephews, children and grandchild's many accomplishments, whether it was hearing your grandbaby make a sound towards speaking, your daughter making the deans list or your neices and greatnieces and nephews doing something, you always thought whatever they did to be spectacular, you would easily cry. We share this trait in common. Now I will be the crybaby of the family, a title I gladly wear with pride. Sleep tight my sweet little sister, you deserve the rest. Your spirit will live on in my heart and mind until it is my time to see you again. I love you so my sweet Kim.##imported-begin##Jayne Withers##imported-end##

May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Aunt Kim, Oh how I miss you so...I still can't believe this is real, you are really gone. I am going to miss you saying "Binny can you take me home?" What I wouldn't give to hear those words again. I can still hear your laugh and your saying "If you like it, I love it". You always knew how to make me laugh.

I know that you are up in heaven watching over all of us and you will be right there with us singing happy birthday to little Miss Kennedy on May 14th when she turns 1. She was your pride and joy and I thank GOD that you were able to experience being a grandmother NANA as you like to be called!!!!

I love you so much Aunt Kim and I thank God for allowing us to have you for the time that we did!!!!!!
begin##Robin##imported-end##

May 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the Withers and Cohen family. God Bless you Aunt Kim. Your memories we will forever cherish. - The Myers Family##imported-begin##Tamika Myers##imported-end##

May 09, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ To Kim's family:

Our deepest sympathies to you on the loss of our dearest Kim. I enjoyed the fact that if I was at home when she was visiting Pam and 'Tia, she would always stop and take a little time to visit with me. I will miss her very much. God bless us all.##imported-begin##Margaret Battle and family##imported-end##

May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ Mommy i am going to miss u so much! i still cant beleive u gone! What am i goin to do in this world without u????? How do u take a backbone and still be able to walk.....i want u to come back!##imported-begin##Your daughter##imported-end##

May 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ I was shocked to hear of your loss. Please know how very sorry I am. Memories are the legacy of love.##imported-begin##Trudy Boyd##imported-end##

May 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM