

## Stephanie Michelle Ford Craigen July 17, 1974 – July 13, 2016

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Mrs. Stephanie Michelle (Ford) Craigen went to be with the Lord on Monday, July 3, 2017 after a hard-fought battle with Breast Cancer. Greeting her at the gates of heaven were her parents Gloria (Pack) Ford and Eugene Ford who proceeded her in death.

Stephanie was gifted to this earth on March 29th, 1974 in Hinton, West Virginia. Despite being born in a small town, her impact was far from that. Stephanie was an angel who changed lives of many. Almost everyone who encountered her sweet spirit quickly became a lifelong friend.

She graduated from Hinton High School in 1992, and later on in life she decided to attend New River Community College, Beckley, WV. She graduated from there with a degree in Criminal Justice.

In her spare time she enjoyed spending time with her daughters and family. She loved to travel to various places and her motto was "Just being Stephanie." Stephanie was known throughout her life for her constant smile and wit, bringing joy to others and always caring for others more than herself.

In 2013, Stephanie relocated to High Point, North Carolina for a fresh start in an area she always loved. Stephanie loved High Point and High Point loved her. It was there that she reached the end of her journey but it was also here that Stephanie felt free and added to her collection of lifetime friends.

She will be remembered for infectious smile but most importantly her continuous faith in the Lord. Despite terminal disease, she never lost her faith.

Her greatest wish is for all of her family, friends, and loved ones to love each other and meet her in heaven one day.....like she always said: "It is what it is....

Stephanie is survived by her loving husband, James E. Craigen, her daughters, Kabrea James and Meisha James; stepdaughter, Jaelyn Craigen; her grandmother, Pecolia Carter, and her brothers Jemar Ford and Shaun Ford; her sisters, Brittany Ford and Autumn Ford; her in- laws, James and Ruth Craigen, and countless aunts, uncles, nieces, nephew, and cousins that love her endlessly. Not to forget her beloved Shitzu, Louis V.

A memorial service will be 11:00 am, Thursday at the Chapel of Johnson and Sons Funeral Home.