



## Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru

August 10, 1957 - February 8, 2020

On Saturday, February 8th, 2020, Heaven received another angel...

Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru, age 62, was born on August 10, 1957 in Austin, TX, the daughter of Minnie (Hunter) Carrington and the late Willis Neal.

She accepted Christ at the young age of six. Her mother shares the memory of when her precious daughter oddly chose to sit by herself at a morning church service so that she would not be told, during those days, that she was "too young to understand what it means to give your life to Christ."

On that Sunday, Renita proceeded to the front of the church by herself, gave her life to Christ, and became a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Austin, TX where her stepfather, the late Rev. W.H. Carrington, served as Pastor.

The baptism was moved to Sweet Home Baptist Church in Clarksville, TX. She was baptized by her stepfather and the late Rev. Logans. Her grandfather, the late Rev. H.J. Carrington, Sr. served as Pastor.

As a preacher's kid (PK), Renita continued to serve in the church where her stepfather would Pastor. Many years later, the family became members of New Lincoln Baptist Church, where the late Rev. A.R. Evans, Sr. served as Pastor.

Renita taught Sunday School, sang alto in the choir, and enjoyed performing instrumental duets on the flute with her little sister on the violin. She also played the gospel song "Something's Got a Hold of Me" as a soloist.

She met the love of her life and husband of 38 years, Moses O. Isikuru in

college. To this union, four children were born. The Isikurus soon joined her mother's family church, New Light Ebenezer Baptist Church, where Rev. Frank Cage serves as Pastor. They later moved to Mt. Zion Baptist Church, where Rev. G.V. Clark serves as Pastor.

For her early education, she attended L.L. Campbell Elementary and Pearce Jr. High. She graduated from J. H. Reagan High School in 1975 and received numerous academic awards while there, including the National Honors and Merit Scholarship. She also played the flute in the marching band. Renita received a full scholarship to attend the University of Texas at Austin (Hook 'em Horns) and earned a Bachelor's degree in Economics. As a fun fact, she made history at UT by becoming their first African American fencing champion.

Most of Renita's professional career was spent working for Texas Medical Association (TMA) and AT&T. She worked her way up to managerial roles and had ample experience in leading teams and mentoring others along the way. Personally, Renita was self-taught in photography/videography and loved spending time on her craft. She diligently served in the Media Ministry at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Her family and friends were blessed by her loving, patient, thoughtful, and kind spirit. She was so intelligent, yet humble. Family was everything to her and she spent as much quality time with them as possible. Renita loved serving others by documenting their special occasions and was gifted in transforming her videos and photos into unique keepsakes to preserve memories. Fondly known as the "family historian," she enjoyed connecting family members to each other and continually enlightening them about their rich heritage and roots.

Preceding her in death are her father Willis Neal and stepfather Rev. W.H. Carrington, along with other beloved siblings, cousins, aunts, uncles, and grandparents.

Cherishing her memories are her husband of 38 years, Moses Isikuru of Austin, TX; mother, Minnie Carrington of Austin, TX; three daughters, Ejiro

Erogbogbo (Folusho) of Plano, TX, Ese Isikuru of Austin, TX, Ochuko Hope (Quentin) of Pearland, TX; son, Ovoka Isikuru of Austin, TX; sister, Madeline McCauley (Christopher) of Schertz, TX; and four brothers, Ronald Carrington of Austin, TX, Jeffrey Neal of Jackson, MS, Mark Neal of Austin, TX, Greg Neal of Austin, TX. The most recent joys of her life were her precious grandson Quentin Hope, Jr and granddaughter Lana Erogbogbo.

Also forever cherishing her memories and continuing her legacy are her two nephews, Johnathan Butler (Marylou) of Kyle, TX and Christian McCauley of Atlanta, GA.; aunts, Mary Broadnax (Ben) of Dallas, TX, Ima Neal-Jones of Austin, TX, Bobbie Neal of Austin, TX; uncles, Norwood Hunter (Wanda) of Houston, TX and Sylvester Neal of Auburn, WA; extended family members, the Akpobomes, the Oderhowos, the Erogbogbos, the Hopes, the Laras; and many other dear cousins, extended family, and friends.

We are forever grateful for the deep impact of Renita's life. Her legacy of genuinely loving and serving God, family, and friends will continue to live on through all of us.

# Cemetery Details

## Cook-Walden Capital Parks

14501 IH 35  
Pflugerville, TX 78660

# Previous Events

## Celebration Service

FEB **22**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
2938 E 13th Street  
Austin, TX 78702

# Tribute Wall



“ *Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru*

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ *Condolences to the family of Ms Renita. A very beautiful caring, thoughtful, and generous soul. Thankful for her sharing Neal family history with us. Prayers.*

**Linda Muse** - July 23, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ *Grandma Isikuru was a loving and great Documentarian. She will truly be missed. May her soul rest in peace.*



**Folarin, Bukky and Tiwa Erogbogvo** - February 23, 2020 at 12:00 PM



“ *Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May Renita's soul rest in peace. ...Rotimi Erogbogbo*



**Rotimi Erogbogbo** - February 22, 2020 at 02:23 PM

OE

“ *Olubunmi Erogbogbo lit a candle in memory of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru*



Olubunmi Erogbogbo - February 22, 2020 at 12:53 PM

MF

“ *Melissa Carvalho & Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



Melissa Carvalho & Family - February 21, 2020 at 03:52 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



February 21, 2020 at 10:59 AM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



February 21, 2020 at 04:38 AM

TC

“ Moses,  
My prayers and condolences goes out to you  
and your family. Take care and miss you as  
my Insurance Agent.  
Clark-Griffin & Johnson Family



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**Tianna Clark** - February 20, 2020 at 11:04 PM

WB

“ Ochuko and Quentin we are so sorry for your loss. We are praying  
for you and your family.  
Love you cousin.

Wendy and Earnest Banks

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**Wendy Banks** - February 20, 2020 at 05:33 PM

LF

“ Love, Your BuildASign Family! purchased the Be  
autiful in Blue for the family of Renita Cheryl  
(Sherri) Isikuru.



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**Love, Your BuildASign Family!** - February 20, 2020 at 02:06  
PM

MA

“ Mike & Karen Abili purchased the Florist Choice  
Bouquet for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri)  
Isikuru.



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**Mike & Karen Abili** - February 20, 2020 at 10:12 AM

RB

“ RRHS c/o '02 ladies - Nikki, Rendy, Tova, Brittany purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.



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**RRHS c/o '02 ladies - Nikki, Rendy, Tova, Brittany** - February 19, 2020 at 09:26 AM

CS

“ To the family: God bless you in this difficult time in the loss of your love one .Patrice bless you and your family. Cassandra Scroggins.

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**Cassandra Scroggins** - February 18, 2020 at 07:33 PM

RG

“ Condolences to your Family. We went to Highschool together and spent time talking and leaning over the balcony. Renita was and always will be one of the most intelligent and humble people I've ever known . A rare and beautiful combination. I'm so glad to have known her. God bless you all during this difficult time. Regina Temple Grimes



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**Regina Temple Grimes** - February 18, 2020 at 04:12 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.



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February 18, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



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February 18, 2020 at 10:06 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



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February 17, 2020 at 09:38 AM



“ *Patrice and Family, I am so in Prayer for you and your Family! Renita had such a beautiful Spirit, that could have only come from The Lord. So it is to Him that we commit you all, for all of our Help comes from The Lord. I'm a witness that He is with you. Keep on keeping on. God's Blessings on you all.*

*Patt Jackson .*

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**PATT JACKSON** - February 16, 2020 at 08:46 AM



“ *My dear sweet friend, I thank God for your life, for allowing others to experience His grace through you. My sincere condolences to the family. Praying that the peace of God be your comfort. Love you all.*

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**Dianne Thompson** - February 14, 2020 at 08:52 AM

DJ

“ *Danielle Dary and Raenesha Jackson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



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**Danielle Dary and Raenesha Jackson** - February 13, 2020 at 01:15 PM

AW

“ *Angela Neal-Williams and Cedric Williams purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



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**Angela Neal-Williams and Cedric Williams** - February 12, 2020 at 02:06 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Renita Cheryl (Sherri) Isikuru.*



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February 12, 2020 at 01:52 PM

TP

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Tranea Prosser** - February 12, 2020 at 12:56 PM