



Linda Fay Tomonia

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Obituary for Linda Tomonia

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With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of Linda Tomonia, who left this world on November 21, 2024, at the age of 69. Linda's vibrant spirit, boundless generosity, and unshakeable love for her family and community will be remembered by all who knew her.

Born on April 21, 1955, Linda was a proud graduate of Maggie Walker High School. She continued her education at J. Sargeant Reynolds and Virginia Commonwealth University, laying a foundation of knowledge and determination that would guide her throughout her life. Linda retired from a distinguished career at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in 2008, where she made meaningful contributions to the field and left a lasting impact on her colleagues.

Linda's greatest joy came from her family. She leaves behind her beloved son, Reginald Tomonia, and eagerly anticipates the arrival of his first child, her granddaughter, Reign, her life partner Thomas Verner, and paw baby Bentley.

She is also survived by her beloved daughter, Tocia Johnson (devoted son-in-law, Michael), and grandchildren, Michael Jr. and Matieya. Linda was a devoted mother and grandmother AKA Nana who always offered her love, support, and wisdom with a joyful heart.

Linda was also a loving sister, survived by her sister Betty Harris (Tomonia) and brother Allen Tomonia. She was preceded in death by her parents, Allen and Ollie Tomonia, two sisters, Julia Gray and Corine Tomonia, one brother, Robert Tomonia, and two dogs, Knowledge and Jazzy. Her legacy of love and devotion will live on in the hearts of her nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends who are considered her family.

Known for her infectious laughter, Linda found joy in life's simple pleasures—especially dancing and sharing meals with those in need. Her love for feeding the hungry and uplifting others was a central part of who she was, and she leaves behind a legacy of compassion and kindness.

A celebration of Linda's life will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2024, at 1 PM ET, followed by a "celebration of life at 3 PM ET, at Jenkins Funeral Home, in Richmond, VA.

Linda will be missed deeply, but her light will continue to shine in the lives of those fortunate enough to know her.

She will rest in peace!

Tribute Wall

DF

“ So sorry to have learned of her passing. Linda was a great friend from my childhood on Cary street her mother sometimes watch us we had great times back then in the 60’s Corrine her sister was a classmate. Linda used to do my hair sometimes your mother was loved so much I will never forget the love she shared.

dorothy mclean fields - July 06, 2025 at 11:37 PM

TB

“ Tocia and Rocky,\r\nIt is with heavy hearts that I write this message on behalf of myself and my mom, Jackie. Ms. Linda was like an aunt to me and created lasting memories from my early childhood. I will always cherish her warm smile and infectious laughter.\r\n\r\nShe was a lifelong friend to my mom, whether near or far, Her love, kindness, and unwavering friendship meant so much. Her presence lit up every room, and the memories we shared will always hold a place in our hearts.\r\n\r\nThough she is no longer with us, her spirit will continue to remind us of the beauty of friendship and love.\r\n\r\nWith heartfelt sympathy and love,\r\nTaryn and Jackie Baskerville

Taryn and Jackie Baskerville - December 07, 2024 at 11:50 AM

SM

“ Aunt Linda today is the day that you’re life is being celebrated unfortunately for me I can’t be there I will never forget your genuinely open spirit, you’re laughter, our talks, your advice & the love & concern you showed me Tocia I am sending my deepest condolences to your family Aunt Linda was one of your family members that I truly enjoyed whenever we connected @ family functions she will never be forgotten! Hold on to the love and strength from God to carry you through love, Sandra

Sandra Marable - December 07, 2024 at 08:33 AM

CH

“ *A free & joyous soul, you could not be around Linda and not laugh. This tree is in honor of your loving & giving spirit Love you. Condolences family*

Cheryl Harris - December 03, 2024 at 06:28 PM

KI

“ *Yes Linda I Will, Truely Miss You Crazy Lady..Love You Girl..My Girl Ain't Have No Fear And Will Put You In Your Place Quick..!BaltimoreLove*

Kim - November 26, 2024 at 02:34 PM

LR

“ *One thing about my Aunt Linda is she spoke her mind and she didn't care whether you liked it or not.*

LaChelle Rogers - November 26, 2024 at 02:27 PM

AT

“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Linda Fay Tomonia - November 26, 2024 at 09:43 AM