



## Ms Coretta Marcella Buster

August 4, 1968 - February 10, 2023

"For We Walk by Faith, and Not by Sight."

2 Corinthians 5:7

Our dearly beloved mother, grandmother, daughter, and sister, Coretta Marcella Buster was born on August 4, 1968, in Alexandria, Virginia to Rev. Lenza A. Buster and Mrs. Thelmarine Buster. While we loved Coretta, God loved her so much more. She was called to her heavenly home on Friday, February 10, 2023. Coretta leaves to cherish her memory her devoted son, Rashid Taylor of Arlington, VA; one granddaughter, Morgan, parents, Rev. and Mrs. Lenza A. Buster of Alexandria, VA; siblings, Gary Buster of Waldorf, MD, Anika Buster-Singleton (Eugene) of Fort Washington, MD, and Demetrius Buster (Talika) of Clinton, MD; and a host of family, friends, and colleagues.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Harvest Assembly Baptist Church  
8012 Fordson RD  
Alexandria, VA

## Funeral

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Harvest Assembly Baptist Church  
8012 Fordson RD  
Alexandria, VA

## Live Streaming Service Link:

<https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/7935463220>

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Harvest Assembly Baptist Church  
8012 Fordson RD  
Alexandria, VA

## Interment

MAR 4 (ET)

Mt. Comfort Cemetery  
6600 So. Kings Highway  
Alexandria, VA 22306

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-Johnson Funeral Service, P.A. created a Webcast in memory of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster*



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**Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette-** - February 28, 2023 at 04:55 PM



“ *Rest easy my friend*

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**Victor Levi Thomas Jr** - January 18, 2024 at 01:44 PM

SG

“ Hey Buster!

*May God use you in heaven the way he used and wanted to use you on earth. Im happy you are no longer riddled in pain.*



*I appreciated our candid conversations from the day you introduced yourself to me when I started Census over 10 years ago. For some reason our conversation was led by our faith first, then work related after.*

*We talked about God, we prayed together and yes we talked about the ppl. LOL!! I couldn't make it today, but I listened to the wonderful service, it was grand! I'm happy I was able to see you literally a couple of days before your passing, still in your natural spirit. I'm praying that God comforts your parents, your siblings, your friends, co workers and especially your son and grand daughter during this time of bereavement.*

*Love Stacey*

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**Stacey Gibbons** - March 04, 2023 at 12:29 PM

WY

“ Dear Buster Family and Friends of Coretta,

*Sending prayers and my deepest condolences. Coretta and I have known each other for nearly 43 years. Coretta was more than a friend; Coretta was like a loving sister - full of support, care, kindness, and someone who perfected the art of listening. The hours-long conversations we had will truly be missed. Coretta's laugh, her smile, her ability to see the positive in all was a true blessing. As one person commented, "Our loss is Heaven's gain." May you find peace and comfort during this heart-breaking time. Blessings to all. 🙏❤️*

*Wanda Younger*

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**Wanda Younger** - March 04, 2023 at 09:12 AM



PS

“ Coretta, like the waves of the sea you came into my life at the Census Bureau. As rushing tides you were forceful but gentle teaching me many lessons. I knew you for over 20 years and your heart never changed. You always was a peacemaker in the mist of a storm. So now my friend its you time for stillness no more pain. Well done my faithfull servant. To your family God makes no mistakes. He will cover you. Remember that grief is a process and each day is different. God took another angel for his kingdom. SWEET AND SASSY WITH HAIR AND NAILS ON POINT. Rest until we meet again.

*Pam Stevenson*

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**Pam Stevenson** - March 04, 2023 at 08:54 AM



DF

“ Dear Buster Family,

*Meeting Coretta at work at Census 24 years ago was a blessing to my life. She was a friend to everyone and not only a listening ear, but gave good advice. I was thrilled when she became my Team Lead. A position she worked so hard for and deserved so much as Coretta was a wealth of knowledge which she shared and passed to us. God rest her soul. I am so blessed to have ever met her and known her. My prayers to you all for your peace and comfort during this time. We've lost a good one, but I know we'll see her again when we're up there with Him.*

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**Dana Ford** - March 03, 2023 at 09:17 PM

UO

“ U.S. Census, Chief Financial Office purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster.



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**U.S. Census, Chief Financial Office** - March 03, 2023 at 02:26 PM

BR

“ To the Buster Family,

*Heaven gained an angel. I met Coretta more than 20 years ago and one thing I can say, she was the same when I spoke with her last as she was then. She always spoke her mind and you knew exactly where you stood. I'm gonna miss my friend.*

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**Brian** - March 03, 2023 at 12:40 PM

SH

“ To the Buster family,

*May the peace that only God can give sustain and keep you at this time. Coretta became a coworker to me in 1998 when she joined the Finance Division at the Census Bureau. In like a whirlwind came her big personality, smile, and hearty laugh. As long as I worked with and knew her, this was her completely without any deviation. She gave advice whether you wanted it or not and would talk endlessly about Rashid and her family. Many conversations that we had will forever be cherished. Rest well my sister.*

*Tonia Shirley*

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**Shirley** - March 03, 2023 at 11:47 AM

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“ I remember the day you were born

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**shirleymcruse** - March 03, 2023 at 07:09 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster.



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March 02, 2023 at 09:30 PM



“ To Ms. Coretta's family,

*I worked on Ms. Coretta's team in Finance at Census and when I switched to that department she welcomed me with open arms. She answered every single question I asked with lots of patience. She always shared with me how appreciative she was for the love and patience her son continually showed her every day. I was just thinking of her today - so to hear such news is so sad! My family and I send our condolences to her family & close friends. Peace and many blessings.....*

*Chantelle McRae*

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**Chantelle Ellese** - March 02, 2023 at 05:10 PM



PY

*Coretta was my sister and we shared life's ups and downs. Talked on the phone for hours She knew ALL my secrets. I loved her strength thru adversities and fighting spirit. Would give and give and give until she had no more to give. We would fight about it. I would say there are Givers and Takers! I am a Taker so stop being a Giver to people but as I write this - tears are flowing because she taught me to be a better person and it is Ok to be a giver sometimes. I will always love and cherish her in my heart. 💜💜💜*

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**Patricia Yancey** - March 03, 2023 at 08:31 AM

CG

“ To the family and friends of Coretta Buster: I am so sorry to hear about her passing. Coretta was a wonderful addition to the Census Bureau. She met you once and then became your friend. I first met her eating with a group of friends in the cafeteria. From that day on, she always greeted me with a smile and sincere "how are you!!!". Our loss is Heaven's gain. Always smiling, always beautiful, always speaking, and always coordinated!! Rest in peace, Coretta, rise in power. May God comfort your loved ones in this time of need. Sincerely, Cheryl Geter, US Census Bureau



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**Cheryl Geter** - March 02, 2023 at 04:57 PM

TR

“ To the family of Coretta,  
I'm sorry for your loss. Coretta was indeed a real & genuine person from my memories of her in the workplace. She was smart and reliable.  
Coretta also made herself available to assist when she was needed. I hope it's some comfort to know others care and will have you each in prayer during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Tracy Hoey (US Census Bureau)

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**tracey** - March 02, 2023 at 04:27 PM

RW

“ To the Buster family and especially Rashid - Coretta was a very nice, respectful and well-mannered person. She always said yes ma'am or no ma'am to me. Rashid - Your mom was very proud of you and the love and care you gave her during her time of need. I pray that God will comfort all of you during this sad time. She will be truly missed but always remembered. From Rochelle Weems (Co-worker)

Rochelle Weems - March 02, 2023 at 04:14 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster.



March 02, 2023 at 10:28 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster.



March 02, 2023 at 08:55 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster.



March 02, 2023 at 05:38 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Ms Coretta Marcella Buster.*



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March 01, 2023 at 07:54 PM



“ *My dear sister/ friend Buster. How do I say good-by to someone who have had an impact on my in such a way as YOU. I know our Savior say absent from the body and present with the Lord, and I am thankful you have a new healthy body. Because we always talked about resting in the bosom of Jesus Christ. Buster you were a wonderful friend and Mentor to me, ensuring I had all the knowledge, training and skills to be successful at my job in Finance. You were an Awesome leader and trainer, and you will be greatly missed. Buster, you were just one of a kind woman and friend. We were more like sisters until I had to pull the mom card, and my family loved you like our own. It will be hard to move forward without our daily conversations and laugh's and you calling me Johnson and telling me to be quiet n calm down. Missing you already, but you will always be in my heart and thoughts, and the memories we shared will always be dear and embedded in my heart. Rest now my dear friend and let the angels spoil and love on you. A job well done thou sweet and faithful servant. Love you always and forever, your sister in Christ.. René*



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**Rene' Johnson** - March 01, 2023 at 04:44 PM

TS

“ My dear friend Coretta when we first met each back in 1986 on campus at Vuu we hit it off the first day we became friends instantly we were in the same dorm together you were a good person to be around I will miss you truly take your rest sister for your work is done. My condolences to your family in their time of sorrow May god wrap his loving arms around your family and cherish all the good memories of you. Your friend from Connecticut  
Tanya Sheldon

Tanya Sheldon - February 28, 2023 at 08:13 PM

OW

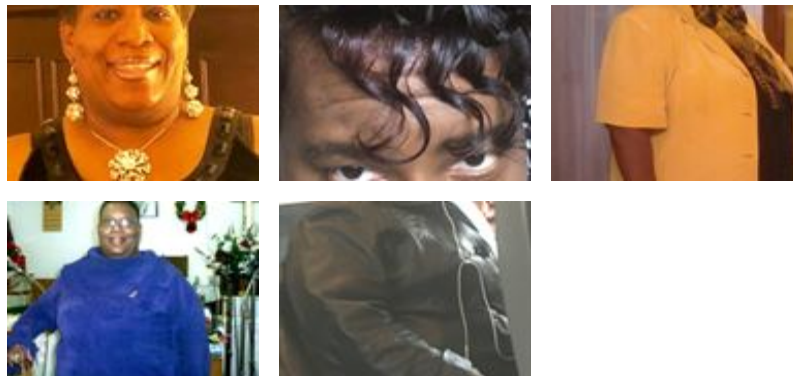
“ Dearest Coretta, they say people entire your life for a Season, Reason, or a Lifetime. You were all of them to me. A special friend that was always there when I needed you and even if I didn't. Your heart was so big always giving so much of yourself to others. I will miss you my dear friend. Rasheed and family, sending you my deepest condolences to your family from mine.



Orie Wigfall-Davis - February 28, 2023 at 05:44 PM



“ 110 files added to the album LifeTributes



Phillip Bell Sr. and Winona Morrissette- - February 28, 2023 at 05:10 PM

JS

*To the family of our beloved Coretta...Her spirit shall live within us all forever. Some of my memories are her magnetic responsive smile (that even in a bad day, I'm smiling back), her exquisite one of a kind dress attire (I would say, girrr, I love that!) her gorgeous jewelry (I would look twice and move closer and whisper- tell me where you got that from), her LOOK! - with intensive expressions (where you knew something was out of order, her laugh (again you find yourself laughing too), I can't speak of the perfume, because I just always remembered that she smelled good - all the time!*

*What we shared most importantly (for years) is when she was upset with someone - I loved this tip she gave me. She would take a minute to think before responding (as she would say) and address the matter in due time, and deal with it! Not holding anger in her heart and being free! Wow! What the devil meant for evil - God turned for His good! So again, Remember she's always within each of us in spirit and great memories to cherish with others often, in tears and laughter!*

*My hopes are that all of us choose wisely, as this earth is not our home or forever.*

*Well done Coretta, our good and faithful servant - peace be still, I believe heaven has received another angel.*

*Sincerly w/Love & Blessings*

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**Judy Simmons** - March 02, 2023 at 07:49 PM