



Julia M. Boulware-Thompson

September 7, 1979 - April 26, 2026

Julia Boulware was born on a blustery, stormy night on September 7, 1979 in Sacred Heart Hospital in Chester, Pennsylvania. She was the only child born to Dana Boulware, Sr. and the late Dinetta Walls Boulware. She was an original Highland Gardens baby and her friends affectionately called her Ju-Bean. Some in the family jokingly referred to her as "Stormy" because on the night she was born, her parents had to walk to the hospital in hurricane-like conditions when their car wouldn't start.

Julia was a beautiful girl who was always very sweet. Her friends loved to have sleepovers at her house because Miss Dinetta always made them feel welcome. There was one important rule, though. They all had to get up and go to Sunday school together on Sunday mornings. This was the beginning of her Christian education.

Julia lost her beloved mother when she was only 16 years old. Her dad was right there to take her in and make sure she had everything she needed, but most importantly, he gave her love. She told her dad, " I'm going to be all right, as long as you stand by me."

"Stand by Me", by Ben E. King, was her favorite song. True to his word, Dana stood by Julia her whole life, along with his wife Karen, who became Julia's bonus mother.

A 1998 graduate of Chester High School, Julia later enrolled in classes at (P.I.T.) The Pennsylvania Institute of Technology in Media PA. Her employment includes being a medical assistant with Comfort Keepers, and working with CADES and other agencies as a Certified Nursing Assistant.

Julia was both caring and compassionate. She had a beautiful smile that would brighten the room. She was kind-hearted and generous to a fault. Julia was a patient peacemaker. She always tried to keep the peace in the family and within her friend circle. She believed in God. She believed in the Lord's Prayer and was very forgiving of those who wronged her. She always kept the faith and was an active member of Cathedral of Praise Church of God in Christ in Chester for many years.

Julia worked hard to provide for her daughter Jayda. When things weren't going so great, she would say, "I'm not going to worry about it because God's got something better for me."

Julia loved spending time with her family and friends. Whether it was a big event or a small gathering, you could count on her to be there. Super Bowl parties, reunions, weddings, traveling together, or just hanging out at home with her loved ones made her happy. She was always cool. Julia also loved pets and will be missed by her fur babies, Cat Benjamin and Dog Brownie.

On April 29, 2026, Julia departed from this earthly journey. Our hearts are broken, but we do not grieve as those without hope. We are anchored in the blessed assurance of resurrection, reunion, and eternal life in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

To God be the glory for this amazing and beautiful life!

Pre-deceased by: Mother Dinetta Walls Boulware, maternal grandmother

Dorothy Walls, and maternal grandfather Amos Mays.

Survivors: Daughter Jayda Thompson, Father Dana Boulware, Sr. (Karen), Paternal grandmother Ethel Stevenson, Paternal Grandfather Townsend Boulware, Bonus grandparents Vern and Justine Holley, and husband Neil Thompson.

Also survived by: Siblings Damiera Boulware, Dana Boulware Jr, Jamir Boulware, Taylor Boulware (Drayon), Keyonna Pettis, Antonio Holley, Deshawn Daniels, Jeffery Daniels, Jacquila Daniels, Darnell Daniels, Dwayne Saunders and Sha-Ne Saunders, and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Cemetery Details

PRIVATE

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke Community Christian Church
317 Central Avenue
Chester, PA 19013
(610) 876-5197

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Julia is the sister to my son Taylor, her baby brother. By all means Julia loved her siblings deeply. Any thing she could do for them she was there! I'll remember her by her caring heart! My condolences to the family! Darcy Boulware!*

Doris Boulware - May 18 at 09:25 PM