



Augustine Abbott

February 20, 1955 - December 31, 2020

On Thursday, December 31, 2020, the “Angel of Silence” came to the University of Toledo Medical Center and gifted our Beloved Augustine Abbott with her wings to take her final flight to Heaven. While hearing trumpets, multiple choirs with victorious voices of worship and fluttering flutes her soul ascended from this world of sin, sorrow and pain to eternal rest.

Augustine Abbott was born in Toledo, Ohio on February 20, 1955 to the late Mr. Udell Curl and Mrs. Mary Curl. Augustine attended Toledo Public Schools, where she was a graduate of Scott High School and the University of Toledo. She was a teacher for Toledo HeadStart for many years and was employed with Family & Child Abuse Prevention at the time of her passing. She leaves behind two amazing children, Brandon and Alicia, with former spouse Larry Abbott. Also left to mourn, special son in law, Mark Forte along with her most adored grandchildren, Braxton Abbott and Alivia Forte. Four loving brothers and one sister in law; Edward Stuart, Terry Curl, Larry Curl, Don (Rosemary) Curl. She also leaves to cherish a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Regardless of the situation at hand, Augustine was the vessel “God” used to portray His message in any environment, complete any task, and bring souls to the Kingdom of God. She made everyone in her presence feel invited, loved and respected. Most importantly “God was her everything and without

him she was nothing.” She had a talent for helping people through the most difficult times of their life which is just one of the many reasons so many people were drawn to her.

Augustine will be especially remembered for showing unconditional love to all of us, but especially to her four brothers. She prepared the best holiday family meals, loved her grandchildren in “her special-unique” way, and always helped guide us all through life. As a family we will all strive to fulfill her final prayer: to develop a strong unbreakable relationship with God and allow “HIM” to become our everything so that WE will be able to see her again!!

The verse below is a reflection of the love she showed to others while on earth.

Luke: 4:18-19

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord”.

Her most satisfying work, as Domestic Violence Coordinator for The Family & Child Abuse Prevention Center was creating “Thriver to Survivor”. She referred to as “Her baby.” This group is a space for women to share their brokenness, without judgment, a place to find healing and aspire to the next level in life. This program helped women realize their worth, flee from abuse, attain personal power and provide the individual skills to put their families back together in a healthy manner. She was known for providing food out of her personal freezer to feed families, make personal calls to program directors, Judges and social workers.

She was an advocate for the women she served. She made referrals to avoid evictions, helped the ladies gain employment, obtain clothes, transportation

etc. Because of her faith in God, a problem or situation was never too big, a mountain never too high to climb and “no” was never acceptable when it came to assisting women in her program. She made a global impact with her education, employment, trainings, speaking engagements and servicing the community. Augustine graduated from University of Toledo with a Master’s degree in Special Education and received countless professional certificates throughout her career. She completed speaking engagements in many churches, attended domestic violence conferences and symposiums globally, and lead numerous trainings.

She was ordained by The St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church and went on to serve at Shiloh Baptist Church. She shared her gifts with numerous ministries such as Women’s Ministry, Drug and Domestic Violence Program and Sunday School Ministry. She was also a member of St. Paul Missionary Baptist circle of Genesis, Church Choir, was an assistant Teacher of the Adult Sunday School Class, Thursday Night Kids and American Baptist Women. She graced the community by being active on the following committees of Toledo, Ohio: Domestic Violence Task Force, Best Practice, Multi-Disciplinary Team, Brothers United and Inter Denominational Ministers Alliance, Silent Witness Reader and community activist for Domestic Violence. Because of her compassion and diligence to serve God she never met a stranger.

Tribute Wall

RV

“ *The ONE and ONLY. I start by saying that i LOVE YOU...a life well lived. I'm happy that GOD created you and that you are one special lady that is so blessed to know what your life purpose was. I write in presence tense because i know that you are still here in spirit. Ms.Augistine i know in my heart that you was and still is an Angel on earth. Gods Chosen. You saved my life and that wont ever be forgotten. You had a way with words that really got through to a person. Any one reading this i want yall to remember to hug a teddy bear when your hearts are sorrowful because that was one of the things she taught me. I wont ever forget all the years i ran to you and how you would always make time. You are the epitome of Strong Black woman who can rise from anything. You are my Mya Angelo and more. I am grateful to have known you and its all worth the dark i had to face because you was and still are my BEACON of LIGHT. I will not ever forget to do my part for the women that come before and after me in honour and service of your life, because i know that you would want me to help the women and children. I will make you proud. I LOVE YOU TO INFINITY AND BEYOND! You lived your life being the GOOD SHEPARD, and your flock is innumerable. I know that when God called you home i know that he said to you-*

WELL DONE, MY GOOD and FAITHFUL SERVANT.

Rebecca, Behind the Veil. - January 25, 2022 at 10:15 AM

BC

“ *So saddened by this news. Ms Augustine was truly a beautiful person inside and out. Heaven has definitely gained an Angel. I just wish she had more time left with us. God bless her children and family and may she rest in love. Thank you for everything Ms Augustine ❤️*

Bri'Ana Crawford - January 19, 2021 at 07:48 PM

CT

“ I am saddened to hear that my friend has gone on to be with our Father. Truly a remarkable woman. We met and started at Toledo Head Start together and continued our friendship when we both worked in helping women of domestic violence and various women ministries. We shared so much together and continue to keep in touch throughout the years. She was always encouraging me to further my education on women's issues and to continue my work with children of domestic violence. I will miss the calls we would share on collaborating about women issues, children of domestic violence and especially women of Christ. I will truly miss you and our walks through Ottawa Park.

Claudia Taylor

Claudia A Taylor - January 17, 2021 at 12:03 PM

CT

“ Claudia A Taylor lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott



Claudia A Taylor - January 17, 2021 at 11:53 AM

SW

“ Sandy Willis lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott



Sandy Willis - January 17, 2021 at 05:51 AM

CD

“ I'm sorry for your lost to the Abbott and Curl family your in my prayers

Crystal D. Dale - January 16, 2021 at 06:30 AM

MW

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Mary E. Wilsom - January 15, 2021 at 09:35 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Augustine Abbott.



January 15, 2021 at 08:02 PM

AH

“ Thank you for being a great neighbor, co worker and friend. You were always a wonderful mother and friend. I will cherish the memories; miss you!

Love,
Anne and Ken Yon Hardy

Anne Hardy-Fannings - January 15, 2021 at 07:58 PM

DF

“ *Daisy Fisher lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Daisy Fisher - January 15, 2021 at 11:07 AM

QJ

“ *QR Team Franklin County JFS purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Augustine Abbott.*



QR Team Franklin County JFS - January 15, 2021 at 10:17 AM

TA

“ *My Head Start sister you were a true Angel in Life, your presence was a blessing to all who met you!*

Theresa Ashton - January 15, 2021 at 05:14 AM

LW

“ *Liz Wyatt lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Liz Wyatt - January 14, 2021 at 10:33 PM

CJ

“ My heart is so heavy. I cannot believe that she is gone. I have worked with Miss Augustine at two local agencies for over 16 years. I actually brought her to the Family and Child Abuse Prevention Center to continue to inspire and empower domestic violence survivors. She was one of a kind. The ladies she helped loved her warm and empathic spirit as did anyone who came into contact with her. Above all, she put GOD first. She would laugh and shake her head at the things I would say and I knew that she probably secretly prayed for my soul. She attended my wedding and swooned over my kids. I loved her with my whole heart. The world is a better place because she was in it.



christie jenkins - January 14, 2021 at 09:10 PM

DS

“ Pastor Venson and I will miss our dearly beloved Sister. We will miss her evening and Sunday afternoon calls especially Pastor Venson. We will always love her and cherish her sweet memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with her precious family who she loved so much. Love- Venson and Demetria Simpson

Demetria Simpson - January 14, 2021 at 07:12 PM

JW

“ So, sorry to hear about your loss. I am praying for the family. James Word- Pine Bluff, Arkansas



James L. Word - January 14, 2021 at 06:22 PM

PH

“ I had the pleasure of having the Abbott family as neighbors and had the pleasure of working with Ms. Augustine as an adult. What a beautiful advocate for so many souls. What a Blessing she was to all who knew her. Thank you for always being so kind to my family. You will truly be missed . We love you Ms. Augustine💕Job well done🙏



Phenique (Nikki) Hayes - January 14, 2021 at 05:50 PM

TM

“ Aunt Maureen, Alicia & Brandon... Words fail to express my sorrow for your loss. Augustine was an amazing woman who brought so much joy to all who knew her. I pray that you are able to find peace during this difficult time.



Tiffany Morton - January 14, 2021 at 05:00 PM

MB

“ I worked with Augustine a couple of years at Family Service of NWO. She taught me so much. She was truly a very special person and will be missed by so many. My heart breaks for those who are enduring her loss and for those who never had a chance to be touched by her wisdom and kindness. Prayers to everyone trying to navigate this great loss.

Melissa Bucher - January 14, 2021 at 04:01 PM

CF

“ Carolyn Ferguson lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott



Carolyn Ferguson - January 14, 2021 at 03:53 PM

YI

“ Your co-workers in Early Intervention purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Augustine Abbott.



Your co-workers in Early Intervention - January 14, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ Condolences to Augustine's family. You're in my thoughts. She was absolutely amazing in so many ways, and she made me feel so loved and empowered. I know she made that same mark on so many others, too. It's so hard to say goodbye, and I'll miss you so much.



Tristin Marie Hoffman Foes - January 14, 2021 at 10:26 AM

MM

“ Alicia, Brandon, & Larry, we were truly saddened when we heard of Augustine passing. She will be missed. You have our deepest sympathies and condolences.

With love,
Windy & Michael Miller

Michael Miller - January 13, 2021 at 11:59 PM

TA

“ *Thelma Autman lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Thelma Autman - January 13, 2021 at 04:42 PM

VF

“ *Mrs. Augustine was such a sweetheart. I played my son APOLOGY Letter to her and we went into worship in her office. She encouraged me to put this song I had written out to the world. I took her advice and its helping so many woman get thier strength back and heal. Thank you so much for believing in me when I didnt believe in myself. Vatella Fields.*



Vatella Fields - January 13, 2021 at 04:15 PM

SM

“ *Shelly Moore lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Shelly Moore - January 13, 2021 at 03:26 PM

AB

“ Amy Burgess lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott



Amy Burgess - January 13, 2021 at 01:21 PM

AB

“ Auggie, you will be dearly missed. It was an honor to have worked with you at the D.V.S. I learned so much from you. I will never forget the time that you helped a large family at the shelter get ALL of their hair cut and the mom's hair done for free. That was such a blessing, that one simple gesture renewed the mom's spirit. You will be missed.

Amy Burgess - January 13, 2021 at 01:21 PM

DL

“ We will you miss, Augustine! Thank you for teaching us how to be warrior survivors. You always spoke Truth in Love. I always admired Augustine's real care and concern for everyone she touched. My deepest sympathies to her family and friends.



Deidra Lashley - January 13, 2021 at 12:05 PM

SH

“ Shaundra Burke Branscomb (Texas)



shaundra - January 13, 2021 at 01:25 AM

SW

“ *Light a candle for Augustine Abbott*



sharon whittaker - January 12, 2021 at 03:08 PM

AC

“ *I love you so much auntie*

Alexa Curl - January 12, 2021 at 02:28 PM

AC

“ *Alexa Curl lit a candle in memory of
Augustine Abbott*



Alexa Curl - January 12, 2021 at 02:26 PM

TN

“ *Ms. Augustine-*

Words cannot express how much I will miss you and how much I love you. It has been such a blessing to know you. I would have never thought when we met 15 years ago we would have gotten so close but I thank God that he allowed me to be a part of your life. I appreciate everything you have done for me and taught me. I appreciate you being there for me and the kids. I appreciate you for being there and carrying me through some of my darkest moments in my life! I know I could not have done it alone. I love you more than I could ever put into words and I will truly miss you. You rest now because your job is done and you did an amazing job! I couldn't ask for a better Angel! I love you!

Alicia and Brandon you are in my prayers daily as is the rest of the family.

Takara Nunn - January 12, 2021 at 02:15 PM

TN

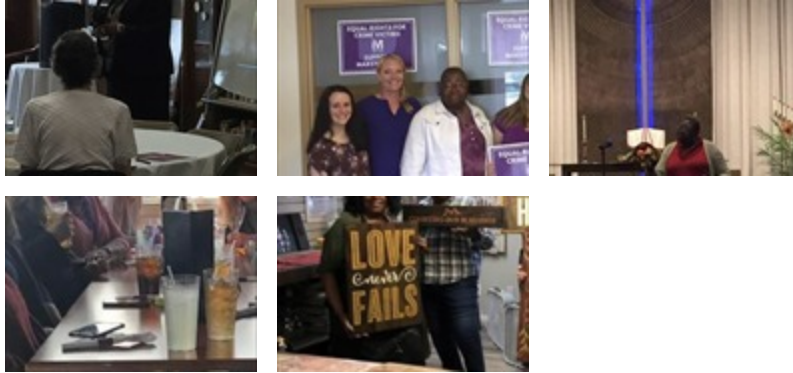
“ *Takara Nunn lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Takara Nunn - January 12, 2021 at 01:59 PM

CD

“ My condolences for Miss Augustine’s family. She was a soft, gentle, and kind soul who changed everyone’s life who had the pleasure to know her. Augustine loved everyone good and bad but most of all she loved her family and friends. Auggie will be deeply missed but her legacy will definitely live on in the amazing work she had done! Again to the family, sorry for your loss.



Casandra Durfey - January 11, 2021 at 08:45 PM

MH

“ Martell Holcomb lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott



Martell Holcomb - January 11, 2021 at 08:08 PM



“ Marilyn Watson lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott



Marilyn Watson - January 11, 2021 at 08:04 PM

B(

“ *Brenda Burke Willis (Arkansas) lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Brenda Burke Willis (Arkansas) - January 11, 2021 at 03:27 PM

AF

“ *So sorry to hear this.*



Amy Fidler-Morr - January 11, 2021 at 03:19 PM

JW

“ *Joyce Wilson lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Joyce Wilson - January 11, 2021 at 12:30 PM

DW

“ Dear Aunt Maureen, Alicia and Brandon,

My deepest condolences to all of you in the loss of your daughter and mother. Augustine will be missed dearly by all who knew her kind and gentle ways.

May God continue to comfort you and provide you peace, love and blessings. May God make your grief more bearable during this difficult time of sadness.

You are in my thoughts, prayers and heart. Wishing all of you strength, hope and faith in the Everlasting. May She Rest In Peace!

Love, Cousin Donna (Morton) Wilson- Warrensville Hts, OH.

Donna Wilson - January 11, 2021 at 10:57 AM

GJ

“ May your heart find comfort knowing that your love one is at home with the Lord

Love Gwendolyn E.March Jones & Family

Gwendolyn E.March Jones - January 10, 2021 at 12:17 PM

AH

You will be missed. Thanks for the memories; especially the family dinners, cookouts and babysitting Jazzy when I traveled.

Ann and Ken Yon Hardy

Anne Hardy/Fannings - January 15, 2021 at 07:07 PM

AJ

“ Ms. Abbot was a strong colleague in fighting domestic violence My wife and I send condolences the the family for their loss of a champion in serving others. She is missed

Art Jones - January 10, 2021 at 08:19 AM

DG

“ *Deborah Gardner lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Deborah Gardner - January 09, 2021 at 08:00 AM

PD

“ *Pastor Marla Daniel lit a candle in memory of Augustine Abbott*



Pastor Marla Daniel - January 08, 2021 at 08:02 PM

DR

“ *Maureen, I was sorry to read about Augustine's death today. My condolences to your entire family.*

*Sincerely,
Dorothy Randall and family*

Dorothy Randall - January 08, 2021 at 02:11 PM