



Mrs. Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham

July 1, 1948 - June 17, 2022

Mrs. Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham, 73, of Charleston entered into eternal rest on Friday, June 17, 2022.

Obituary

On June 17, 2022, Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham, passed away surrounded by her family as they sang, danced, talked, cried, laughed, and prayed her Spirit into the loving arms of God and her awaiting family.

Ding, as she was known and affectionately called, was born July 1, 1948 in Charleston, SC to Asbury and Frances Pelzer Andrews. She graduated from Burke High School in 1966 and attended Palmer College where she studied Business Administration. She traveled to New York to begin her adult life and married Melvin Eugene Fordham on April 17, 1971.

After returning to Charleston, she worked as a Pharmacist Technician at the Medical University of South Carolina for several years until she and Melvin moved to Sacramento, California. She began her vocation as an Administrative Assistant working for the California State Teachers Retirement System. During her employment with the Retirement System, Andrea received many accolades from clients for her ability and tenacity to resolve issues when others could not. She returned to Charleston and worked at the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine until her retirement. Ding loved plants and loved to shop. Her yard and closet demonstrated the joy she found in growing plants and wearing stylish clothes. Ding LOVED LIFE and lived it well – with a verve that brought an enlivening energy to all she

encountered.

Ding joins her husband, mother, father, brother Timothy LaMont, and canine companion, Frankie Perro. She leaves to miss her presence – her brother, Asbury Wayne “Bubba” Andrews and his wife Shawnda; sister, Clae Kathryn “Kathy” Andrews White; canine companion Biscuit Denzel; nephews and nieces – Kendall LaMont, Corey Derrel, Andrea LaQuan, Dawntia Michelle (Gerald), Alia Waynette (Rico), Ira Wayne (Samara), Iris Waverly, Sophia Angelica, Venita Aspen and Alexandra Lamé; grand nieces and nephews; aunt, Mary Andrews Tillman; several cousins; godchild, Deidra Louise and lifelong friends.

MASK REQUIRED FOR ALL SERVICES!

Walk-Through Viewing

Friday, June 24, 2022

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Smith-McNeal Funeral Home

2119 Dorchester Road

North Charleston, SC

Saturday, June 25, 2022

Viewing Prior To Service: 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Celebration of Life Services - 10:00 AM

Ebenezer A.M.E. Church

44 Nassau Street

Charleston, SC 29403

Interment: Monrovia Cemetery

Oceanic Street

Previous Events

Viewing

JUN **25**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Ebenezer AME Church
44 Nassau Street
Charleston, SC 29403

Celebration of Life Service

JUN **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mrs. Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham.*



June 23, 2022 at 09:12 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham.*



June 23, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *The Admiral and Bennett Group... purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Mrs. Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham.*



The Admiral and Bennett Group... - June 23, 2022 at 04:40 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mrs. Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham.*



June 22, 2022 at 06:31 PM

JB

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. My prayers go out to you during this difficult time.*

Javet Blunt - June 22, 2022 at 02:00 PM

LW

“ *My Sincere Condolences to the Family. She was a Sweet Person. I call Her Aunt Ding. May God Wrap His Everlasting Arms Around All of You.*

LaVaughn Ware - Charleston SC

LaVaughn Ware - June 20, 2022 at 11:49 AM

ES

“ *My prayers and condolences to this beautiful family when I first met you it was like we knew each other you sweet spirit and beautiful smile was a lasting expression on me for each time we were together I'm go miss you I enjoy every time we were together lots of fun and laughter RIS 🙏❤️*



Eva Simmons - June 20, 2022 at 10:57 AM

RW

“ *Even though we weren't blood you were still my Aunty Ding! Heaven said your wings were ready even if my heart wasn't ready! RIL Aunty! ❤️*



Rasheedah Wigfall-Charley - June 20, 2022 at 06:34 AM

ME

“ M A Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Andrea Pelzer Andrews Fordham



M a ellis - June 19, 2022 at 11:16 PM

PF

“ 60yrs.of friendship ain't no joke! Ding was my
sista and friend. We've been in and out of
each other's homes for ever 😊 all our
families knew each other. I'm gonna miss my
roadie, we always had something to go
shopping for! Even if we didn't need it 😊 she's gone home now and
one day we'll be together again! Your sister friend forever! Penzie
as you would say! Pendah



Pendah W. Fields - June 19, 2022 at 06:22 PM

ML

Ding was a Pharmacy Tech at MUSC. And she was a childhood friend.
She will surely be missed.

Mattese Miller Lecque - June 19, 2022 at 07:03 PM

BT

She was my prom date wow my condolences to the family 🙏❤️

Booker T.Vanderhorst - June 19, 2022 at 08:52 PM

HS

Ding was a true friend and I will surely miss her. To the family I send
my condolence.

Harry "Turk " Smalls - June 20, 2022 at 01:05 AM