

Death

Shange died in her sleep October 27, 2018, aged 70, in an assisted living facility in Bowie, Maryland. She had been ill, having suffered a series of strokes in 2004, but she “had been on the mend lately, creating new work, giving readings and being feted for her work.” Her sister Ifa Bayeza was quoted as saying: “It’s a huge loss for the world. I don’t think there’s a day on the planet when there’s not a young woman who discovers herself through the words of my sister.”

