In Roving

Memory

Kakia Q. Smith-Martinez

Obunrise October <mark>1</mark>9, 1974 Sunset February 22, 2011

<u>Serrice</u> Monday, February 28, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

Cerry Funeral Home, Inc. 34 Mercer Street • Newark, NJ

<u> Obituary</u>

Nakia Q. Smith-Martinez, born on the 19th day of October, 1974, the beloved daughter of Michelle A. Smith and endeared granddaughter of Esther Smith. Nikki had the unique honor of calling two men who supplied strength, guidance and support Dad, Lucious Jones and Andrew Fair. She departed this life suddenly on the 22nd of February 2011.

Nakia was educated in the Newark School System. She graduated in 1993 from Barringer High School. After working various security officer posts, she found a career she was more intrigued by. She attended the Drake College of Medical Technologies, in 2000, where she received her Certification as a Medical Assistant. Nakia worked in a few doctors' offices until she found her nitch at the New Jersey Blood Center as a Phlebotomist. For seven years, she participated in blood drives where her sunny personality, witty banter, and professional manner comforted many who were nervous about donating for the first time. Nakia left their employment shortly before her untimely passing.

During her life Nikki had a flare for event planning. She single handedly planned and executed many parties and a couple of wedding receptions on a shoe string budget. Who knew you could decorate a party hall shopping only in dollar general? It was the care she put into each job that made them phenomenal.

She leaves to cherish her memories: loving mother, Michelle A. Smith; two men she called Dad, Lucious Jones and Andre Fair; her grandmother, Esther Smith; four beautiful children, Mecca Q. Dismukes, Ajakia S. Smith, Jada A. Martinez, Jose C. Claudio; former husband, Qadafi H. Shakur-Martinez; a great uncle, Othieous C. Drake; sisters and brothers, Lakel Winn, Dujuan Evans, Lewis Evans, Leanna Evans, Lorriel Jones, Shalonda Evans, Tony Evans, and Lucious Jones Jr.; and a grand host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer

Remarks

Obituary

Solo

Eulogy

Viewing

Recessional

<u>Interment</u>

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

<u>Repast</u> Canaan Baptist Church 131 Pomona Ave. • Newark, NJ 07105



Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me To be a happy one, I'd like to leave an afterglow Of smiles when day is done. I'd like to leave an echo Whispering softly down the ways, Of happy times and laughing times And bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve To dry before the sun Of happy memories that I leave behind, When the day is done.

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

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Acknowledgements

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