

Geresa Eugenia Aikens

July 3, 1970 – December 14, 2015



Service
Tuesday, December 22, 2015 ~ 11:00 am

Morning Star Community Christian Center

1009 Chandler Avenue Linden, New Jersey 07036

Therman E. Evans, MD, PhD, Senior Pastor Reverend Eddie E. Aikens, Eulogist

<u> Life Reflections</u>

Teresa Eugenia Aikens was born on July 3, 1970 in Elizabeth, New Jersey to Reverend Eddie Eugene Aikens and First Lady Sheila M. Aikens. She was educated in the Plainfield Public School system and later graduated from high school in Newark, in June 1993. **Teresa** was involved in various activities in her childhood years, including Plainfield Drill and Cheerleading teams, and was a gymnast for the "Goodwin Tumblers". She showcased her singing and rapping skills in local talent shows. Her favorite songstress was Mary J. Blige.

Multi-talented and a quick-learner **Teresa** worked in Construction where she mastered carpentry like sheet rocking, spackling and laying down foundations. She always kept her hair fly, neat, and dressed very well. She wanted to pursue a career in Cosmetology because she loved to style hair and was able to create hairstyles, fit for a "Queen."

She lived in Newark, New Jersey for many years before relocating to Miami, Florida. While there, **Teresa** attended the 93rd Street Baptist Church, under the leadership of Pastor Carl Johnson. She was enlightened by the teachings of T. D. Jakes. Later in life, she was baptized at Damascus Missionary Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey.

She was affectionately known as "Tee" to family, and to her closest friends she was "Jada." Bright, full of energy, **Teresa** was very generous with her time and offered her talents to others in need. She was a very loving, kindhearted person and loved the Lord. She enjoyed her life and lived it to the fullest—to know her was to love her. **Teresa** put her heart in everything that was given to her.

On Monday, December 14, 2015, **Teresa Eugenia Aikens** departed this earthly life at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami, Florida.

She is predeceased by her brother, Edward Aikens; and grandson, Nasir.

Teresa leaves to cherish her loving memories, her parents, Rev. Eddie Eugene Aikens and First Lady Sheila Aikens; sister, Lisia Aikens; 6 children: Jahbril Cox (Alnisa), Ashante Taylor Cox, Takirah Taylor Cox, Alia Bostic, Diamond Spencer and Shia Tyreese Aikens; granddaughter, Jada; uncles: Roland and Norman Hughes; aunts: Delores Glover and Dorothy Bridges; fiancé, Russell McDuffy; and a host of cousins, dear relatives and loving friends.

Lovingly submitted, The Family

Order Of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Psalm 23 New Testament: John 14:1-6

Hymn of Consolation...... "Amazing Grace".....Song by Mary Findley Charles Sands, Musician

Acknowledgements of Condolences

Reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection

Life Reflections (Limit 2 minutes)

Musical Selection

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Repast

Following the interment, family and friends are invited to the lower Fellowship Hall of the church.

Services Entrusted To:

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Pallbearers

Family and Friends of Teresa Eugenia Aikens

Miss Me

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom-filled room. Why cry for a soul set free! Miss me a little, but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared, miss me but let me go. For this journey we all must take, and each must go alone. It's all part of the Master plan, a step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick of heart, go to the friends we know and bury your sorrows in doing good deeds. Miss me, but let me go.

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of the late **Teresa Eugenia Aikens** acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.