

Celebrating the Life
Of
Deidra Lashawn McDonald

Sunrise: July 19, 1974

Sunset: August 11, 2016

"I've Made It"



Saturday, August 20, 2016 - 10:00 AM

Porter Memorial Church of God in Christ

677 Ocean Avenue

Jersey City, NJ 07305

Superintendent Nathaniel Porter, Sr., Pastor

Pastor Jusstinn Coleman, Officiating

Obsequies

Deidra Lashawn McDonald, affectionately known to everyone as “Dee”, was born to the late Ponce Deleon McDonald and Carol Barnes, on July 19, 1974, in Jersey City, New Jersey. God called her out of the storm and transported her to her heavenly home on August 11, 2016.

Dee was educated in the Jersey City Public School System. Throughout her life, she displayed her dad’s characteristics as a hard worker. She took on various jobs and did what she had to do to take care of her pride and joys, her children.

Dee loved her music. You could walk past her window and cut a step whether she was playing her R&B, House or Gospel music. Dee was such a people’s person and everyone knew her by her boisterous laughter.

At a tender age, when both her parents passed on, God saw fit to pass the mantle as parent, over to her aunt, Linda Gail McDonald and she raised her as her own.

Dee, as a child, attended The Macedonia Redeemed Pentecostal Church where she was baptized under the leadership of the late Bishop Jessie Lewis. She later on rededicated her life back to God under the ministry of her uncle and aunt, Bishop James and Pastor Margaret Wright.

Throughout her life, Dee was known to be a fighter and she fought well till the very end.

Dee is preceded in death by her parents, Ponce Deleon McDonald and Carol Barnes; grandmother, Hilda “Nanny” Barnes; brother, Carl “Jihad” McDonald; uncle, Harvey George and favorite cousin, Carmella Wright.

Dee leaves to cherish her memories: her fiancé: Dwayne Murchison; her devoted mother: Linda Gail McDonald; her princess: Geneva (Juwana) Brown; her princes: Joseph Deleon McDonald, and Deshawn Tyree Murchison; granddaughter: JaeLynn Brown; one step daughter: Danielle Murchison; one step granddaughter: Leah Murchison; three brothers: Leon (Sakina) McDonald, Darrell and Harold (Cinder) Barnes; two sisters: Gina Clark-Williams and Cheryl Barnes; grandmother: Margie Lee Bell; two uncles: Bishop James D. Wright, Sr. and James Barnes; three aunts; Pastor Margaret A. Wright, Annette George and Margie Barnes; Godparents: John and Denise Purcell, who she affectionately called Mommy and Daddy; special cousin/sister: Torri Carter; her extended family: The Montgomery & The Glover Families and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

For Ecclesiastes 3 lets us know – To everything there is a season: A time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to pluck up that which is planted.

Order of Service

Pastor Jusstinn Coleman, Officiant

Musical Prelude.....Chosen Generation Ministerial Alliance Choir

ProcessionalClergy & Family

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Doris Cherry

Scripture Readings

Old Testament..... Co-Pastor Barbara Holmes

New Testament.....Elder Cameron Pryer

SelectionChosen Generation Ministerial Alliance Choir

Reflections 2 minutes each

Clergy.....Elder Keith D. Howell

As a Sister.....Leon McDonald & Cheryl Barnes

As a Sister in lawSakina McDonald

As an Aunt.....Kahleeta Barnes

SelectionElder Cameron Pryer

Reflections 2 minutes each

As a Cousin.....Lashawn Williams & Torri Carter

As a Friend.....Tanisha Purcell

As a Mother

Deshawn Tyree Murchison Joseph Deleon McDonald

SelectionChosen Generation Ministerial Alliance Choir

Obituary, Resolution, AcknowledgementsStaci Sconiers

SelectionChosen Generation Ministerial Alliance Choir

Eulogy.....**Rev. Jarneill M. Frazier**

Macedonia Redeemed Pentecostal Church - Jersey City, NJ

Final FarewellThe Family Funeral Home

Interment Rosehill Cemetery, Linden, NJ

Mommy

The moment that you passed away my heart was torn in two.
One side filled with heartache the other side left with you.

I often lie awake at night when the world is fast asleep
and take a walk down memory lane with tears upon my cheeks.

Remembering you is easy, I do it every day but missing
you is a heartache that never goes away.

I hold you tightly within my heart, and there you will remain.
Until the joyous day arrives that we will meet again.

LOVE DESHAWN



Acknowledgements

The Family of the late **Deidra Lashawn McDonald** wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, comforting words, and prayers shown during our time of bereavement.

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