Celebration of Life for

Nneka Wilberly-Holley

Sunrise April 19, 1976

Sunset December 29, 2016

Thursday, January 5, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

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256 Rosa Parks Blvd.
Paterson, New Jersey
Rev. Barry Graham, Officiating

Final Disposition

Cedar Lawn Cemetery Paterson, New Jersey

Reflections of Life



Nneka Barrie W. Holley (Nikki) was called home to be with the Lord and his angels Thursday, December 29, 2016. She passed peacefully at home surrounded by family. She is the daughter of Curtis and Shirley Holley of Paterson, NJ. Born on April 19, 1976 with a shockingly full head of curly black hair, Nikki continued to shock and awe as she grew, touching everyone she met with her brilliance and radiant smile. A talented and gifted child, she skipped grades in school and made it her business to light a room with her presence.

A graduate of Morris Catholic High School in Denville, NJ, Nikki's thirst for knowledge never ceased. She went on to earn a dual BA in 1998 from Kean University in English - Writing and Communications - Public Relations. Never one to settle for what she had, Nikki continued to look forward and obtained her Paralegal Studies Certificate from Montclair State University in 2003. Nikki then

began her pursuit of her MA in Education Administration and Supervision, which she obtained in 2006 from MSU. She was inducted into the Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society and became an Alpha Kappa member the same year and decided to change the world by becoming a teacher. Just as she never settled in life, she expected and demanded the same from her students.

Nikki began her teaching career at John F. Kennedy High School in Paterson as an English teacher in 2002. She continued her teaching career at Montclair High School then moved to Nevada, the hottest place she could find, and taught English and ESL at R.O. Gibson Middle School in Clark County in 2006.

Returning home in 2009, Nikki enjoyed her favorite pastime of Bingo. Always waiting on her luck numbers, 7 and 10, Nikki was forever ready to shout "Bingo!". She went on to volunteer at the Wayne PAL and Boys and Girls Club.

Nikki was predeceased by her maternal grandparents, Clyde and Gladys White of Paterson; Ethel and Moses Wilberly of Paterson and Barry Wilberly of Paterson and her earthly grandfather, William Holley. She has blessed her memories to her parents, Curtis and Shirley Holley of Paterson; her sisters, Whitney "Nilda" Holley and Sharai Holley-Fulcher; niece and nephew, Cameron and Kyle Fulcher; brother-in-law James Fulcher; Great Aunts and Uncles, Anne Hoccutt (Carter), Charles Carter, Grady and Betty Riddick; cousin Annyjah A. Hoccutt and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends touched by Nikki's infectious, heavenly and friendly personality and shine.

"To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." - 2 Corinthians 5:8

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