

## <u>Obituary</u>

Patrice Bianca Cummings, known to most as "Pattie" was born in East Meadow, NY on July 3, 1991 to loving parents Jacqueline and Byron Cummings. After a short but impactful time here on earth, she went home to be with the Lord on March 17, 2017 in Rochester, NY. Patrice professed her love for the Lord early in life, by joining St. John's Baptist Church in W. Hempstead, NY. Patrice was educated throughout the Malverne School District. While attending Malverne High School, she not only flourished academically but socially as well. Patrice was apart Honor and Thespian Society, and lended her angelic voice to both the chorus and the select Choir. She was also a member of the musical theater department, starring in several of their musical productions. Patrice also displayed her athleticism on Malverne High School Varsity soccer, lacrosse, basketball and softball teams.

After graduating from Malverne High School in 2009 with a Regents Diploma, Patrice continued her education at State University of NY College at Geneseo. She believed in taking full advantage in her college experience by joining many on campus organizations. In 2012, Patrice was an integral part in reestablishing the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority incorporated on the Geneseo campus. She led her line, as their Ace, and was affectionately given the line name "Blu Phoenix" for her undeniable love for everything Blue and White and everything Zeta. Patrice would continue to play an active role on the Geneseo Campus even after graduating in May 2015 with her B.A Degree in Sociology & a minor in Business Studies and Psychology. As a Zeta mentor, she helped mold and shape new intakes into becoming full Zeta members.

Patrice began her graduate studies on the campus of State University of NY College at Brockport in the fall of 2015. If not for her untimely death, Patrice would have received her Masters of Public Administration (MPA) in May of this year. As a graduate assistance at The Research Foundation for SUNY and the Prevention and Outreach Services, she was very passionate about working to combat the inequities and injustices that have become undeniable obstacles in the lives of so many individuals.

Patrice's infectious smile and charming demeanor will be missed by all. She was extremely close with her family and had an extremely loving bond with her niece Madison. Patrice had the ability to leave an unforgettable impression on everyone she encountered. Whether you were family, a friend, co-worker or classmate... to know Patrice was to love Patrice.

Patrice is preceded in death by her mother: Jacqueline Cummings, Maternal Grandfather Oswald Brooks, Paternal grandparent's Hyacinth and Lenard Cummings.

Left to cherish her memory, her father: Byron Cummings (Newark, NJ), grandmother; Hazel Mothersill (Kingston, JA), sisters; Monique (W. Hempstead NY), Shannon (W. Hempstead NY), Kerri Anne (Atlanta, GA), Tennille (Miami, FL) and Noeline (Kingston, JA). Niece; Madison Drew (W. Hempstead NY), aunts; Malvia Cummings (Poughkeepsie, NY), Corrine Brooks (W. Hempstead, NY), uncle; Michael Brooks (Jamaica, JA), cousins; Jessica, Ricardo, and Roxanna, a host of heart-line family, sisters of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, brothers of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, friends and co-workers.

May Patrice Bianca Cummings rest eternally in peace.

Lovingly submitted: The Cummings Family.

## Order of Service

Presiding	Rev. Dr. William Earl Thomas- Sr. Pastor Rev. Hazel G. Thomas- Asst. Pastor
Selection	"Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"
	Sharon Miller Shalana Smith
Congregational Hymn	
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Enoch M. Thomas
Soloist	David Smalls
Acknowledgements/Cards	Michelle L. Mann
Obituary	
Reflections	Clergy, St. Johns Family, Family & Friends (2 Min. Please)
Tribute	Zeta Phi Beta Sorority
Praise Dance	Since Since
Selection	- 120 G
Eulogy	Pastor William Thomas
Final Viewing	
Benediction	"Releasing of the Doves"

"Patrice will be laid to rest with her "guardian angel" her mother in a private ceremony"



And secret tears still flow
What it meant to lose you
No one can ever know.
But now I know you want us
To mourn for you no more
To remember all the happy times
Life still has much in store.

Since you'll never be forgotten
I pledge to you today
A hallowed place within my heart
Is where you'll always stay.

God knows why, with chilling touch,
Death gathers those we love so much,
And what now seems so strange and dim,
Will all be clear, when we meet Him.

## <u>Acknowledgements</u>

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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