

Homegoing Service  
for

Natasha

F.

Clarke

Sunrise: November 10, 1972

Sunset: March 28, 2017

Service:

Wednesday, April 5, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

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1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

# Obituary

**Natasha Florence Clarke** made her transition from this earth on the afternoon of March 28, 2017. Born on November 10, 1972 to Jennifer Clarke in Trinidad, West Indies. She was the first of five children, one sister and three brothers. Natasha grew up in the Mt. D'or Champs Fleur area with her mother and siblings.

During her academic years, Natasha attended Mt. D'or Government Primary School where she took and passed the Common Entrance Exams. This gained her access to Mt. Hope Junior Secondary and Malick Senior Comprehension Schools respectively where she completed her High School Education.

As a young adult, Natasha achieved one of her greatest accomplishments by giving birth on March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1994 to her only child, Jaraad Phillip. He became the apple of her eye and the love of her life. The fond memories of their relationship and bond is what Jaraad will certainly be able to reflect on, cry and even laugh about in the future.

The birth of her son led Natasha to develop a focus and a drive to care for Jaraad. She worked at several jobs, sometimes during the day and then at night, throughout the years. Today, we can applaud her, a single parent, for a job well done.

Natasha exuded a sense of confidence and embraced all experiences good or bad that life had to offer. She was a fun loving person who was always willing to lend a helping hand or a listening ear. Tasha as she was fondly known possessed a beautiful, winning smile. She was a great cook, versed in many of the "Trini" culture dishes. Her "macaroni pie" was the bomb! Callaloo, Pelau, Punch-a-Crème. Oh Boy!!! She loved to experiment with other recipes as well.

Natasha migrated to the United States in September 2013. She immediately began seeking employment and was hired in December 2013 as a receptionist at a Transportation and Logistics Company. In less than a year, she was transferred to a lead position as a mail room clerk overseeing a staff of six people.

In April 2016, Natasha was diagnosed with Cervical Cancer. On August 16, 2016, she won the victory over cancer and death when she surrendered her life to Jesus Christ.

Natasha Florence Clarke is now safe in the arms of her Lord and Savior!

Natasha is preceded in death by her grandparents, Josephine Steele and Leslie Clarke, father, Michael Small and brother, Atiba Ahoto.

Tasha will be lovingly remembered by her son, Jaraad Phillips; mother, Jennifer Clarke; brothers, Keino and Everton, Jr.; Sister, Avalon; sister-in-law, Javan; nieces, Nia, Teherah, Annique, Kesiah and Natiba; nephews, Micah and Elijah; aunts, Suezette and Marva; best friend, Tricia-Ann Mitchel; relatives of Clarke and Small families; the Lashley and Skinner families; her god-mothers, Marisa and Donna; and a host of many other relatives, friends and co-workers.



# Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks  
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

## **INTERMENT**

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Hillside, New Jersey

I thought of you today, but that is nothing new.  
I thought about you yesterday and days before that too.  
I think of you in silence, I often speak your name.  
All I have are memories and your picture in a frame.  
Your memory is a keepsake from which I'll never part.  
God has you in His arms, I have you in my heart.



## Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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