

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE
OF
SAMIR C. NICHOLSON**

Sunrise: February 21, 1993

Sunset: April 29, 2017



Service:

Saturday, May 20, 2017

11:00 a.m.

GOSPEL LIGHT CHURCH

873 Sanford Avenue • Irvington, New Jersey

Pastor Singh, Officiating

OBITUARY

Samir Courtney Nicholson, son of Sabrina Nicholson and Frank Courtney Hylton Sr. was born February 21, 1993 in Newark NJ. The early years of his life was spent with his dear Aunt Sherry Easterling Bishop. At the age of 1 Samir then went to live with his father and grandmother, Iris Maud Brown who preceded him in death, in East Orange NJ. His grandmother embraced him with open arms and felt as if he was a gift from God since they shared the same birthday. Samir's family migrated from Jamaica and Samir was the first generation to be born in the US.

Samir began his education in the East Orange School District, where he attended Gordon Park Academy. It was at Gordon Park Academy that Samir achieved numerous awards for his Academic Excellence. Amongst those awards was the Mayor Bowser Science Achievement Award, where Samir was even feature in the local newspaper.

Samir excelled in many sports. You could not tell Samir that he was not LeBron James on the basketball court. Samir use to always say, "I am going to make it to the NBA." Samir was a talented artist. There wasn't anything that you could put in front of Samir that he could not draw. He knew that his talent was a gift from God and he was always willing to share it. He even taught his cousins and little sister how to draw.

Samir grew up attending the Gospel Light Church in Irvington NJ, where he was taught about kindness and giving. At a young age Samir could always be seen accompanying his grandmother to the local Salvation Army and Red Cross where he would volunteer his time helping the less fortunate.

In 2011, Samir graduated with Honors from the East Orange Campus High School. He then went on to further his education at Union County College. Samir always aspired to become a lawyer, and what a good lawyer he would have been. There was no debate that Samir could not win. He would always stand his ground. While working at his dad's business Samir would even debate his father on how much he should get paid. Samir was full of knowledge and wisdom and touched many people lives.

Although Samir's death was sudden and came as a shock to us all. We know that Samir would not want us to spend our time grieving forever but, he would rather us remember our favorite moments we spent with him.

Samir is survived by his son Tyshawn Hinton, mother Sabrina Nicholson, Father Frank Courtney Hylton Sr., siblings Sabur Nicholson, Frank Courtney Hylton Jr., Tristan Courtney Hylton, Ian Courtney Hylton, and India Iris Hylton, Special Aunts Barbara Cummings and Sherry Easterling Bishop, and a host of relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude

Processional

Opening PrayerPastor Singh

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 24Barbara Cummings (Auntie)

Hymn..... “Farther Along” (Family)

Poem..... Sabrina Nicholson (Mother)

Words of Love (Reflection) / Slide Show.....Sis. Ameeka Singh

ObituaryChiquira Grandison (Cousin)

PoemIndia Hylton (Sister)

Solo.....Shamika Easterling (Cousin)

Eulogy..... Winston Miller (Uncle)

Hymn Church Choir

Message/Closing Remarks Pastor Singh

Closing Hymn Church

INTERMENT
Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey

A MILLION TIMES

A million times we've needed you,
A million times we've cried.
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.
If all the world was ours to give,
We would give it yes, and more,
To see you coming up the steps,
And walking through the door.
To hear your voice and see your smile,
To sit and talk a while,
To be with you that same old way,
Would be our fondest day.
A heart of gold stopped beating,
Two smiling eyes closed to rest,
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.
Author: unknown

Pallbearers

Winston Miller	Claude Cummings
Andrew Grandison	Omar Peart
Leonard Peart	Bernard James
Shaquille James	Shane Cummings

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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