

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE
OF**



Sonya Collins

SUNRISE
November 6, 1972

SUNSET
June 03, 2022

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2022 - 10:00 A.M.

THE CHAPEL AT ROSEDALE CEMETERY

408 Orange Rd, Montclair • NJ 07042

Bishop Rudy V. Carlton, Officiant

Obituary



Sonya Carmen Collins was born November 6, 1972, in Newark, New Jersey to Julius Hodrick Sanks and Carmen Diane Collins.

Sonya received her formal education at Dr. William Horton elementary and graduated from Newark Evening High School.

True to her love for young children, she earned recognition from East Orange General and St. Michaels hospitals for her volunteer activities with young patients. Sonya received accreditation from Essex County College as a Child Development Associate. She later became certified as Medical Laboratory Assistant.

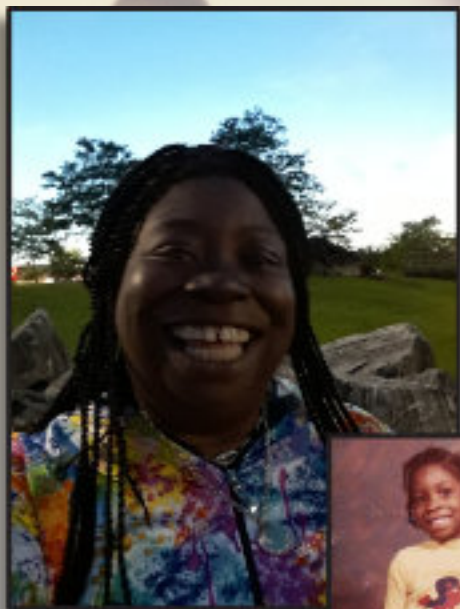
Sonya enjoyed spending time at the shore and visiting Atlantic City. Blessed with a beautiful voice, Sonya loved to sing.


In 2008 Sonya was elated to be blessed with the birth of her beloved daughter Vivionna. She was a devoted mother, daughter, sister, granddaughter, niece, cousin, and friend. She cherished spending time with Vivionna, family and friends. Sonya had a heart of gold, a spirit of a warrior and an infectious smile and laugh.

On June 3, 2022, Sonya was called home. She was preceded in death by her parents, grandparents, seven great aunts; Henrietta Jarvis, Inez Jones, Ruth Douglas, Edna Rider, Emmaline Hayes, Barbara Johnson and Betty Outlaw; three great uncles; Henry Hayes, James McCray and Willie McCray.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her daughter, Vivionna Vera Gordon, Hillside, NJ; her sister, Leshon Brown (Terry); beloved cousins entrusted with the care of her daughter; Lisa Houston, Christopher Houston, Hillside, NJ and Matthew Houston, Jersey City, NJ; one great aunt; Patricia Hayes, Los Angeles, California, two aunts; The Honorable Vivian Sanks-King, East Orange, New Jersey, Dr. Beverly Sanks-Guidry, Riverside, California. two uncles; Thomas Collins, Newark, NJ; Khalif Muhammad, Newark, NJ; and a host of cousins, extended family and friends.

Precious Memories





*Tribute
from
Daughter*

I love you mom; I love you mom. I hope you
get to see Grammy, and your cats and you can
be an angel. You get to see me more in the
sky. Good luck on your trip to heaven.
Never forget who you are, my shining star!
You shine so bright I'll see you at night.

I Love you.
You will always be in my heart forever.

Vivionna

Acknowledgment

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

