

SUNRISE: April 12, 1984 SUNSET: August 30, 2024

Sunday, September 22, 2024 Viewing: 2pm - 4pm Service: 4pm

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

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<u>LATOYA'S LIFE STORY</u>

It is with unfathomable grief and sadness that we announce the untimely death of **LaToya Sessoms**, beloved wife, mother, sister, niece, cousin, and friend. After battling several months of unforeseen health challenges, LaToya's body surrendered, and her soul was set free. LaToya entered eternity on August 30, 2024, at the age of 40.

Born on April 12, 1984, in Mount Sinai Hospital in NYC to June Brazil and Ronald Sessoms, LaToya affectionally called Toya, was the middle child, with two older brothers, Nathaniel and Richard Brazil and two younger sisters, Rhonda Sessoms and Ebony Brazil. Toya enjoyed her childhood engulfed by the love of her siblings, cousins,

aunts, uncles and a robust extended family. Family was the cornerstone of LaToya's life. Enjoying festive family gatherings and social engagements. Toya participated in the choir and was a youth usher of Friendship Baptist Church.

LaToya's primary education took place in New York, New York, graduating from St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School (1998) and St. Jean Baptiste High School (2002). Fall 2002, LaToya embarked on the pursuit of higher education beginning her freshman year, at the University of Buffalo where she initiated lifelong friendships and met her husband Xavier Jackson. May 2006, LaToya was awarded her Bachelor of Arts (BA). Her commitment to education continued, in 2013 LaToya was awarded her MBA, Master's in Business Administration from Mercy College, New York, NY.

LaToya was known for her big - beautiful smile, her loving spirit, strength, and unwavering dedication to her children. She was a devoted wife and mother to her two girls, Tatum age 12 and Hayden age 7. Her love for them knew no bounds. Her children were the light of her life, and she took great pride in nurturing them with compassion, kindness, and joy. A cinephile, Toya shared her love of horror movies with her eldest brother Nathaniel. She last worked at Aegis, a domestic violence shelter, as an office manger. She was always willing to lend a helping hand or offer a kind word. Her spunk, warmth and generosity touched the lives of many, and she will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her children, Tatum Ari Jackson (12) and Hayden Drew Jackson (7); her siblings, Nathaniel Brazil, Richard Brazil, Rhonda Sessoms and Ebony Brazil; her uncles and aunts; James Young, Steven Young, Roosevelt Pickett, Cynthia Brazil, Tina Young, and Amanda Pickett. She also leaves behind; 17 nieces and nephews, beloved cousins and several close friends. She is preceded in death by her loving parents and grandparents.

Though her time with us was far too short, her legacy of love, kindness, and strength will live on in her children and all who had the privilege of knowing and loving her.

ORDER OF SERVICE

ProcessionalMinister James Young and Family
Closing of the Bier
Call to Worship
Prayer of Comfort
Scripture Readings: Old Testament - Psalm 23 Ernestine Hawkins New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Nicole McShall
Music Selection
Tribute to Mommy Tatum Jackson & Hayden Jackson
Acknowledgements of Condolences
Special thanks to Mrs. Marion Knight & Family, Pallbearers Inc., Friendship Baptist Church Trustees, and Mrs. Carolyn Sistruck-Harris.
Remarks (Two minutes, please)
Latoya's Life StoryTina Young
Selection
EulogyMinister James Young
Closing Remarks
Benediction

INTERMENT
Mt. Holiness Memorial Park
Butler, New Jersey

Recessional



"Love recognizes no barriers. It jumps hurdles, leaps fences, and penetrates walls to arrive at its destination full of hope."-

Maya Angelou

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The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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