



Lakeira Nicole Jones

Lakeira Nicole Jones, affectionately known as "Keira," transitioned from this life on Sunday, April 25, 2021, at home in Lawrenceville, NJ, at the age of 37.

Keira was born on March 11, 1984, in Trenton, NJ. She is the daughter of Andrew Nance III and Cynthia Horne. Keira was baptized as a young child at Galilee Baptist Church in Trenton, NJ. She was a member of Galilee Youth Church Choir and Capital Ministry under the direction of Evangelist Joseph Leonard. She was also an active and dedicated member of the Ewing High School Choir.

Keira was no stranger to hard work, and she was employed in numerous places throughout her working career. In high school, she was a sales associate at Sears. Then she later worked at Lakeview Daycare Center as a teacher's aide. After leaving Lakeview, she worked at NJM in their Human Resources department. Then, she accepted a position at the Trenton Board of Education in their Human Resources department. She worked at the Trenton Board of Education from June 2008 to July 2019. During her 11 years of employment at the Board, she also attended Harris School of Business, where she received a certification in massage therapy. She worked part-time at Beauty in the East in Robbinsville Township, N.J., while still employed at the Board. Keira also earned an Associate of Arts and a Bachelor's of Science Administration from the University of Phoenix. After leaving the Board in July of 2019, she immediately started a new position at Rutgers University as a Senior Leave Specialist, where she helped with starting a new department under the leadership of Teeonna Jenkins. Teeonna saw leadership qualities in Keira and within 17 months she put her in the position to promote her to Acting Leaves Manager. Not only did Keira step up to the challenge but she demonstrated her skills as a natural-born leader. She was well respected by her peers, and even upper management was impressed at how well she adapted to her new role. She carried out that role until her untimely death on April 25, 2021.

Keira married her high school sweetheart, David Jones on February 14, 2004. They were married for 17 years, and together they had two sons: Isaiah and Jesiah Jones. They joined Greater Works Ministries under the leadership of Apostle Pearl Murray. Keira was a praise team dancer for Greater Works Ministries, Tye Tribbett, and Minister Carter. Keira was a songstress, poet, and on the spot jokester. She was sociable, a confidant, and psychologist to family and friends. She was always willing to give a listening ear and give sound advice. She was a dependable friend, always willing to go the extra mile for those she held dear to her heart. She was kindhearted and selfless. Keira was easy to talk to and to get along with. She always had a loving smiling and her favorite color was navy blue. Lakeira will be truly missed by all.

Lakeira is predeceased by her maternal grandparents, Deacon James T. Sr. and Deaconess Willa Mae Horne; paternal grandparents, Orva Bagley-Nance, and Andrew and Gertrude Nance, Jr.; father-in-law, Archie Jones; two uncles, Victor L. Horne, Sr. and Keith Nance; three aunts, Jeannette Horne, Lorraine Horne, and Linda Nance-Ball.

Lakeira leaves to cherish her precious memories, her loving husband of 17 years, David Jones of Lawrenceville, NJ; two sons, Isaiah and Jesiah Jones both of Lawrenceville, NJ; father, Andrew Nance, III (Dorothy) of Franklinville, NJ; mother, Cynthia Holmes (Donald) of Ewing, NJ; mother-in-law, Sherry Jones of Burlington, NJ; two sisters, Ryneesha Nance and Vanessa Ellison; six brothers, Andrew J. Nance (Chelsea Chobot), Aron Burnett, Abram Burnett, Roosevelt Acklin, Anthony Acklin, and Jermaine Walker; brother-in-law, Archie Jones (Cristina) of Burlington, NJ; two sisters-in-law, Dionne Trice (James) of Minneapolis, MN; and Emey Brantley (Michael) of Fortson, GA; three uncles, Kenney Gilchrist, James T. Horne, Jr. (Renee) and Daryl Nance (Denine); five aunts, Gail Hill (Frank), Jacqueline Nance, Marketa Nance, Jackie Eutsey (Fred), and Faye Hawkins; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, cousins and lots of friends.

Visitation

Tuesday, May 04, 2021

11:00AM-12:30PM

Way of the Cross Holy Temple

30 Princess Diana Dr,

Ewing, NJ 08638

Funeral Ceremony

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