

In Loving Memory of

A portrait of a young woman with dark hair, smiling, wearing a thin necklace. A large, vibrant pink rose is positioned in the foreground, partially overlapping her face and the text below. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green.

Cheyenne Baéz

Sunrise
May 17, 1993

Sunset
October 3, 2010

Wednesday, October 13, 2010
10:00 a.m.

BETHEL GOSPEL ASSEMBLY, INC.
2 E 120th Street
New York, New York

Obituary

Cheyenne Sabrey Baéz entered this world on May 17, 1993 lighting up the lives of her parents, Lisa Baéz and Brian Wilson and all of her family members and friends. Affectionately known as “Canela” and “Chey”, she was loved by all who met her.

Cheyenne spent most of her young life growing up in East Harlem, NYC. She attended P.S. 30 and the Choir Academy of Harlem Schools. For a time she lived in Philadelphia, PA and attended the Kipp Philadelphia Charter School and the Philadelphia High School for girls. Upon her return to NYC she attended the Urban Assembly School of Business for Young Women. This year she was an 11th grade Junior student and a member of the class of 2012.

Academically, Cheyenne had many strengths. She received a scholarship to Cardinal Dougherty High School in Philadelphia and was invited to participate in the 2009 National Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. This conference provided outstanding young leaders with the opportunity to see and experience leadership in our nation’s capital. Cheyenne attended Victory Outreach International Church where she became a youth G.A.N.G. Girl which stands for God’s, Anointed, Now, Generation.

Cheyenne also demonstrated a love for the performing arts. She was a dancer with the Harlem Angels & The Pretty Kitties Dance Troupe. This Troupe participated in the African American Parade and also won First Place Team Award in the All Stars Talent Networks Youth Dance. Cheyenne danced with Alvin Ailey American Dance Theatre as well as yoga at her school. She also loved to sing, Cheyenne was a back-up singer for the Kipp Philadelphia Jazz Band and sang as first soprano in the school’s choir. Not only did Cheyenne excel in the performing arts, she also was athletic. She was a member of the Mt. Airy Bantams Cheerleading Squad and ran track at Kipp Philadelphia.

Cheyenne was a diligent worker. She worked at Hope Community, Hope Leadership sponsored by the Dunlevy Milbank Center Children’s Aid Society where she received a certificate as a Peer Facilitator and Peer Educator. She also worked at the main office of the Philadelphia School District and most recently was employed at Pinkberry Frozen Yogurt Shop in Manhattan. While Cheyenne had these many gifts, she was best known for her fashion sense. She loved quality and couture. She was able to masterfully mix sophistication and style. We all know her favorite brand was Juicy Couture and she named her puppy Juicy. Her favorite color was Pink, the color of friendship.

Cheyenne was our shining star and a princess. Her friends called her Chey Bella. We will always remember her charm, strength, leadership and dynamic personality, she made each person she met feel so special and so loved. She walked with integrity, dignity and respect. Her loving spirit, her sense of humor and her beautiful, cheerful smile will always live with those who came in contact with her.

Tragically, on the morning of October 3, 2010, Cheyenne’s light on this earth was dimmed and faded.

She leaves behind: her devoted mother, Lisa; her loving father, Brian; step-mother, Kim; two sisters, Lynnsey and Regina; four brothers, Will, Brian, Naseer and Qadir; one grandmother, Juanita; one aunt, Sally; four uncles, Don, James, Samuel and Carlos; five cousins, Jacob, Samara, Shaniece, Tyshawn and Amiyah; a loving boyfriend who she adored, Andrew; three god sisters, Kiana, Amiyah and Alacia; god parents, Nilsa and James; and a host of family and her friends who loved her dearly.

Our hearts are heavy but we know that God called Cheyenne home. She is now in the presence of the Lord. So let’s all come together and have a positive impact on the world like Cheyenne did and may her memory forever live etched in our hearts.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Eulogy

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



Interment

*St. Raymond's Cemetery
Bronx, New York*

The Master Called

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

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God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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