

A close-up portrait of a woman with dark skin and hair styled in braids. She is wearing a red headscarf and a pearl necklace. Her hand is resting near her chin. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color.

In Loving Memory of

Crystal Perron Prister

Sunrise

June 17, 1961

Sunset

May 30, 2012

Friday, June 8, 2012 - 12:00 Noon.

HOUSE OF PRAYER CHURCH

138 Hickory Street • Orange, NJ

Elder Clarence Williams, Officiating

Obituary

Born **Crystal Serron Judkins** on June 17, 1961, to Geneva Gardner and the late Joe Tony Judkins, Crystal “Khadijah” Prister, was called home by her Creator on May 30, 2012, to become one with the earth.



Khadijah, as she was known to family and friends, confessed her love for Christ at an early age and continued on a spiritual journey throughout her life. She had a vibrant spirit that would light up any room she entered. While she endured her own life’s struggles, she was committed to bringing light to anyone she encountered. Although Khadijah accepted Christ at an early age, her vast quest for spiritual growth was fueled by a continuous curiosity, which led her to expand her beliefs to appreciate and embrace many faiths. Above all, Khadijah had a deep love of God.

A graduate of East Orange High School, Khadijah loved music and was an extremely talented vocalist. Her compassion and quick wit made her an instant and permanent friend to almost anyone fortunate enough to make her acquaintance.

Active in her community, Khadijah was a member of many organizations and associations including NBPP, Women in Support of the Million Man March, Newark Anti-Violence Coalition and POP (Peoples Organization for Progress). Khadijah additionally found joy in mentoring our youth and in helping them discover their inner beauty and self-worth.

Khadijah will always be remembered by her loved ones, especially her little sister “Zeke,” as an angel on earth in turbulent times.

She leaves to cherish her memories a loving and devoted husband, Joseph Prister (Newark, NJ); her children, Imani Breyanna Clark and Bashir Bilal Prister (both of Newark, NJ); her mother, Geneva Ausley (Newark, NJ); and her younger sister, Antoinette Genene “Zeke” Judkins (New York, NY), whom she loved and adored; her brother in Christ, Greg “Malik” Sheppard; four aunts, Dorothy Castor (Birmingham, AL), Mary Bell Hill (Burkeville, AL), Hattie Gardner (Atlanta, GA) and Imogene Gardner (Burkeville, AL); an uncle, Walter Matthews (Columbus, OH); cherished first cousins, Sherrilyn Castor (Birmingham, AL), Cynthia Swiggett (Montgomery, AL), Carolyn Sanders (Stone Mountain, GA), Sandra D. Gardner (Clarkston, GA), Sirron Matthews (Columbus, OH), Shiekenna Jones (Columbus, OH) and Kimberly Gardner (Jersey City, NJ); devoted friend, Darryle M. Clark (Newark, NJ); and a host of cousins, extended family and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Parting Viewing

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Psalms 116: 1-17

New Testament 2 Timothy 4:3-7

Prayer Elder Williams

Musical Selection Tim Gorham

Acknowledgements (*2 minutes please*)... Brother Bashir Akinyele- NBPP
Elder Russell Crawley – The House of Prayer
Zuma – Spiritual Brother/Mentor
Lafon Beaty – Long Time Friend

Reading of the Obituary.....Cynthia Swigget

Musical SelectionShiekena Jones

The EulogyPastor Walter Gorham

BenedictionPastor Walter Gorham

RecessionalClergy, Family & Friends

Music provided by Joseph Jones

Pallbearers

Brothers of NBPP

Cremation

Rosedale Crematory
Orange, New Jersey

*Family and friends are invited for a repast back
at the church following the interment.*



Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a funeral spray; if, so we saw it there. Perhaps you spoke the kindest word that any friend could say. Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we thank you so much, whatever the part.

The Family of Crystal Khadijah Prister

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