

*In Loving  
Memory of*

*Dejaa J. Edwards*

*Sunrise*

*November 6, 1988*

*Sunset*

*September 3, 2013*

*Service*

*Thursday, September 12, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.*

***Cotton Funeral Service***

*1025 Bergen Street*

*Newark, New Jersey*

*Pastor Margie Lewis, Officiating*

*Emory Lee, Organist*

## Obituary

**Dejaa Jocelynn Edwards** affectionately called DJ and aka Laffy Taffy was born in Jersey City on November 6, 1988 to loving parents; biological father, Montrell Clarke and Judy Clarke, biological mother, Crystal Edwards and Richard Palms as well as the late Jesse Koon.

Dejaa worked at Clara Maass Medical Center in the Dietary Department for five years. She graduated from John Marshall High School in Virginia 2007 and later attended Essex County College pursuing a career in both Journalism and Cosmetology.

Dejaa enjoyed listening to music, doing her hair, clubbing/dancing and hanging out with her friends. She also enjoyed spending time with the love of her life her boy friend, James Brown. She also adored his mother, Mashonda and his sister, Mooda. She loved playing around with her nieces, Zaniyah (Niecey Poo), nephews, Nijuan (Puggie), Quintien (Pooda Q), Montrell (Handsome). She loved to travel and was planning a trip to Miami, Florida with her best friend, Dominique Crosby for her birthday November of this year.

She leaves to cherish her memories: her parents; Montrell Clarke, Judy Clarke, Crystal Edwards and Richard Palms; sisters, Dejona Caffee (Seth), Nideeyah Moody; brothers, Christopher Koon, NiJuan Moody (Yazmine), Montrell Moody (Jalisia); grandparents, Betty Cato, Mary Beatty, William Artist, Norman Cato and the late Carolyn Artist; uncles, Monte Clarke, Donald Cole, Belton Haig, Casey Charn and Carie Chatmon; aunts, Jackie Beatty, Mary Moody of Newark, NJ, Celestie Ferguson and Cheryl Robins of Jersey City; great grandmother, Geneva Clarke of Richmond, VA; great aunts, Totsie Mason and Charlotte Clarke of Richmond, VA; great uncles, George Clarke, Jr., Quincy Clarke of Richmond, VA and Jasper Edwards of Jersey City; godson, Seth Crobsy; mother of best friend, Dominique Crosby of Newark, NJ; and a host of cousins, friends, family from North Carolina, South Carolina, Indiana, Columbus and Newark, NJ.

She was preceded in death by one of her fathers, Jesse Koon and her grandmother, Carolyn "Sugar" Artis.

An angel who will be truly missed.

# Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

Selection/Solo ..... Rev. Joseph Bartley

Prayer ..... Pastor Margie Lewis

Scripture Readings ..... Pastor Margie Lewis  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Remarks ..... (2 minutes)

Tributes ..... Family (Slide show of her life)

Selection ..... Nikeesha Small - “Safe”

Acknowledgements

Obituary Reading ..... Pastor Margie Lewis

Eulogy ..... Pastor Margie Lewis  
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Final Viewing

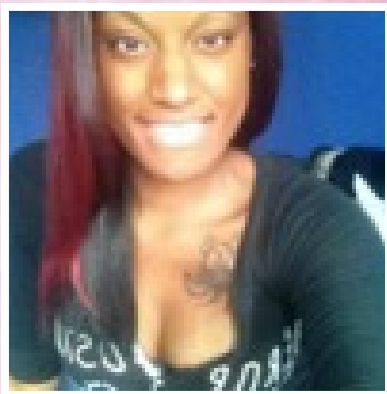
Recessional

<p><b><u>Interment</u></b> Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey</p>
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## **Repast**

*The Harmony Banquet Hall  
620-624 Orange Street • Newark, NJ 07107 - lower Roseville*

*Our*



*Angel*

*Our Angel,  
As you walked into a room that ray of love just came on  
through. It touched us all as you walked by,  
Now your our angel in the sky. Yes God plucked a lovely  
flower, to put in his garden and sprinkled a shower. You  
will never be alone, grandma will hold you till we come  
home. Precious love you are dear to us all. I know we will  
feel your touch winter, spring and fall. God rest your  
soul, your beautiful legacy of love lives thru us all.*

*Love Mommy & Dejana*

**Acknowledgement**

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.  
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.  
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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