HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

in honor

In Loving Memory of

Mariah A. Sims



November 12, 2012 – October 25, 2026 • Age 13

We celebrate the homegoing of our beloved granddaughter Mariah, the beloved child of Luis & Kiana. All are welcome to join us as we honor and remember Mariah. Guests are kindly asked to wear Mariah's favorite colors — Purple or Lavender — in honor, as requested by the family.

NOVEMBER 17, 2026

ST. GABRIEL & ST. STEPHENS CHURCH
196–12 Jamaica Avenue, Hollis, NY 11423
Viewing: 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Service: 7:00 PM
Phone: (718) 465-2876

NOVEMBER 18, 2026

ST. GABRIEL & ST. STEPHENS CHURCH
196–12 Jamaica Avenue, Hollis, NY 11423
Final Viewing: 9:30 AM – 10:00 AM

BURIAL SERVICE

Following the final viewing, burial will take place at St. John Cemetery

80-01 Metropolitan Avenue • Middle Village • NY 11379

Phone to Burial: (718) 894-4888

Request by the family: Purple or Lavender

Church: 718-465-2876

Obituary

Mariah Aubrey Sims was born on November 12, 2012 at Queens General Hospital in Jamaica, NY to Kiana Carrie Pristell and Luis Abraham Sims.

At the age of three, Mariah attended The Childhood Development School in Long Island. She completed her education there and moved on to P.S. 277Q at the P.S. 76 Campus. Mariah then attended William Cullen Bryant High School where she had just become a freshman.

Mariah's parents nicknamed her Boo Boo. She was known for her precious smile and warm embrace. Mariah's best friend was also named Mariah, and they were best friends since the age of three. Mariah loved the water and loved playing with her cousins. She loved doing family trips with her Nana and Papa! She would be on Facetime with her Nana Pam, and then cut her off to ask for Papa. She would talk to him with that beautiful smile she had! Mariah also enjoyed doing things with her other grandparents as well. She always cracked jokes on her aunts and uncles, but what she loved more than anything in the world was to be practically underneath her parents and siblings. Her joyful spirit, generous heart, unforgettable smile, and beautiful presence have left a lasting imprint on her family and friends. She will always be remembered and will be missed beyond measure.

Mariah leaves behind to cherish her memory her parents Kiana Carrie Pristell and Luis Abraham Sims; her siblings Seniya Tenae Sims, Jeremiah Abraham Sims, Eliza Amaya Sims; her grandparents Mark and Pamela Dumas, Kenneth and Brenda Andrews, Kevin Davis; her great-grandmother Ruby Davis; her uncles Kevin Davis, Khalil Davis, Craig Dumas, Lee Davis, Daren Davis, Michael Davis, Brian Sims, Andrew Sims, Aaron Delesline; her aunts Aatika A. Pristell and Shanequa S. Pristell; great-aunts Jeanett Pristell, Renee Pristell, Francine Davis, Alice Smitherman, Andrea Foderingham, Regina Dumas; great-uncle George Pristell; her Godmother Jessica Soto, and a host of cousins, friends, and teachers.

As Mariah reached the pearly gates, her great-grandmother Carrie Bell Pristell, her great-grandfather Frank Smitherman, her great-grandmother Ruth Dumas, her great-grandmother Lula Mae Sims, her great-aunt Marcia Pristell, her great-uncle Dennis Pristell, and her great-uncle Larry Pristell were all there to welcome her and assure her that she's alright!

Order of Service

Processional
Hymnal #208 - The Strife Is O'er



Collect

First Reading
Wisdom 3:1-5, 9

Psalm 23

Second Reading
2 Corinthians 4:16-5:9

Sequence Hymn
LEV #184 - Blessed Assurance

Gospel
John 14:1-6

Reading of Obituary



Sermon

Apostle's Creed

Prayers Of The People

Gesture Of Peace

The Holy Eucharist

Communion Hymn
Hymnal #335 - I Am The Bread Of Life

Commendation

Recessional
Hymn: LEV #20 - When We All Get To Heaven






























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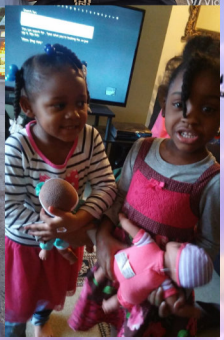












Friday

To Mariah from Nana Pam



A Precious Jewel we all admire you really hurt us with this one Mariah! you left us feeling so blue, just like the flowing water you knew. But we all know your journey with God is a Pleasure but the Pain it leaves your Parents and us no one can Measure! As we all ask God why because no one here was ready to say Goodbye! But we all know he makes no mistakes! So on October 25, 2026 he opened his Heavenly Gates. Our last Family trip we had a ball, we all wish Heaven had a phone so we can call! We will Treasure your memories and that Smile because the hurt we feel will be here for a while!!! But we know you're saying don't cry for me there's no place I rather be!! But Dad & Mom hold on to each other cause I'm flying High, can't you see it's ok cause y'all did right by me so when y'all miss me close y'all eye's and play the song I Celebrate Me! Until we see each other again our precious Jewel we all admire our Grandbaby and beloved child Mariah.

Love You Nana & Papa
Written By Pamela P Dumas

Acknowledgement



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.