

# SON

The greatest job I've ever had Has been the job of raising YOU. I wouldn't trade a minute Of the time I've spent Caring for you, Cheering for you, And watching you grow.

I've laughed with you And celebrated your victories, I've worried about you And shared your hurts, And through it all You've filled my heart With love beyond compare.

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We are deeply grateful and wish to express our sincere appreciation for the sympathy, comforting words, prayers and all expressions of kindness and concern. – Zamir, Dexter, Nichelle, Sara Sipp (Mother/Grandmother)





**Professional Arrangements Entrusted to:** 

## **Preston Funeral Home**

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# Celebration of Life

Let your light so shine... Matthew 5:16



# Yasmeen Zykeeyah Weems "Yaz/Auntie YaYa"

**Sunrise** February 19, 1981

Sunset August 5, 2019

St. Joseph R.C. Church

767 Prospect Street Maplewood, NJ 07040

August 13, 2019

Viewing: 9am - 11am/Service: 11am - 12pm

Yasmeen "Yaz" Weems, 38, suddenly departed on Monday, August 5, 2019 in Maplewood, NJ. Yasmeen was born February 19, 1981 in Newark, NJ to Dexter and Nichelle Weems.

Yasmeen was educated thru the Newark Public School system, graduating from University High School as Salutatorian. She furthered her education at Virginia Union University, Richmond VA where she obtained her B.A., Bachelor of Arts in Education (Concentration in Special Education) in 2003. She then continued her higher education at Lehigh University, Bethlehem PA where she obtained her M.A. in Education in 2004 and Ed.S. Education Specialist Certification, in School Psychology in 2006. She also obtained her Supervisor Certification from Kean University, Union NJ, in 2013.

Yasmeen began her career at the Board of Education for Paterson Public Schools, Paterson, NJ where she worked as a School Psychologist for the Child Study Team and Supervisor of the Extended School Year Special Education Program. She then continued her career with Newark Public Schools, as a School Psychologist for the Pre-School Child Study Team. Yasmeen's professional memberships included the National Association of School Psychologists, New Jersey Association of School Psychologists, and The Association of Black Psychologists. She loved working and advocating for children where she stood by the philosophy that "Every Child Has A Chance". She was very active in her community, always with a helping hand because she loved being there for people.

As a result of her generous spirit, pleasant personality and especially her big smile, her influence will forever remain in the lives of all who knew her. She had the ability to light up a room with her presence.

To her family and friends she was a great confidant and a good listener. Last and not least, to her son she was a wonderful mother, a SUPERMOM!!!

Yasmeen leaves to cherish her, her loving son, Zamir Weems, Fiancé: Michael McClendon; Parents: Dexter and Nichelle, Sisters/Brother: Kamiya Tate, Hiram Weems, Jasmin (Joshua) Levy, and India Weems; Grandparents: Arnold and Sara Sipp, Priscilla (late Allen) Tate, Sr; Great-grandparents: Velmer Davis and the (late Mary and George Weems); Special Aunts: Ellie Sommerville, Eslyn Tate, Genese Tate, Vivian Smith and Raven Webb; Uncles: Thomas and Tommy Weems, Allen Tate, Jr. and Curtis Reynolds; Great Aunts, Linda Beachman, Nina Kinsey, Bobby Lingo, Sophia Tate, Lillian Gillis and Rita Tate; Godmother: Laverne Hudson, Special Sister Friends: Jauhara Pressey, Rabiah Duncan, Kamilah Crawley, and Wylissa Cox; and a host of devoted nieces, nephews, and cousins.



# Order of Service

\*Congregation Standing if able

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

\*PROCESSIONAL Clergy & Family

THE SENTENCES Rev. Valencia Norman

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Amazing Grace, How Sweet The Sound" Insert

**OPENING CALL** Father Jim Worth

PRAYER OF COMFORT Pastor Patti Lee

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Pastor Patti Lee

**MUSICAL TRIBUTE** Dr. Rodney Lee

**EULOGY** Rev. Valencia Norman

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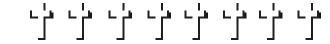
**SERMON** Pastor Thadeaus A. Lee

\*HYMN "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Insert

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Valencia Norman

THE COMMENDATION Rev. Valencia Norman

"Blessed Assurance" \*RECESSIONAL HYMN Insert



## **CELEBRANTS:**

Father Jim Worth, Priest, St. Joseph R.C. Church, Maplewood, NJ Reverend Valencia B. Norman, Pastor, First Presbyterian & Trinity Church, South Orange, NJ Pastor Thadeaus A. Lee, Pastor, Path 2 Life Ministries, Freemont, OH Pastor Patti Lee, Co-Pastor, Path 2 Life Ministries, Freemont, OH Dr. Rodney Lee, Musician, Alpha & Omega, Detroit, MI

### **PALLBEARERS:**

Yakii Tate

Joshua Levy

Terron Sommerville

Monico Carter

# **INTERMENT:**

Pastor Patti Lee

Glendale Cemetery Zakii Sommerville 28 Hoover Avenue Terrance Sommerville Bloomfield, NJ 07003 (RESTING IN MAPLEWOOD SECTION 2)

Repast in the Parish Fellowship Hall immediately following the interment. All are welcome.