

37 Clinton Avenue, Jersey City, N.J. Rev. Theresa Speaks, Officiating Rev. Steffone Bass, Organist



**Jaheera Maryum Ragia Nicholson** was born on October 23, 1977 in Jersey City, New Jersey, the sixth child born to Joseph and Cheryl Thompson Nicholson. She was a lifelong resident of Jersey City where she attended P.S.#12, P.S.# 41 and Henry Snyder High School.

After high school, Jaheera continued her education in 1995 at Hudson County Community College where she majored in Early Childhood Education, receiving an A.A.S. Degree and graduated summa cum laude.

She worked at various jobs, often greeting the public as a cashier at Rickel Home Center, as an EMT Phlebotomist, Receptionist, Instructor, Substitute Teacher, Classroom Aide, Administrative Assistant and a Tutor. She received various awards for her outstanding achievements.

In 2002, Jaheera met up again with her companion, Carlos Cirino whom she met in the sixth grade. Two children were born from this union: Angel Taheer Jalae and Paradise Heaven Jalay.

On September 7, 2019 after a courageous battle with sickle cell anemia, Jaheera departed this life at the Jersey City Medical Center and the golden gates were opened and a gentle voice said, "Come my child, your work is done."

Jaheera was a member of the Sickle Cell Association of New Jersey and Make A Wish Foundation. She often traveled and spoke at local churches abroad about sickle cell anemia disease.

Jaheera was an illuminating spirit on this earth. She was a person who was always willing to lend a helping hand for those in need, giving her love with a kind and generous heart. She was a daughter, mother, sister, niece, aunt, friend and a community mom.

Jaheera is preceded in death by her mother, Cheryl and two sisters, Joette and Julana; two great-grandfathers, Vander Williams and Jesse Thompson, Sr., two great-grandmothers, Elsie Williams and Lula Thompson Morgan; three grandfathers, Walter Nicholson, Jesse Thompson, and Roosevelt Gantt; two grandmothers, Anna Nicholson and Florence Williams; three great uncles, Vander Williams, Lawrence Williams and Richard Williams; four great aunts; Mary Williams, Sharon Williams, Williamae Williams and Vannah Williams; two uncles, Robert Nicholson, Alex Reeves and one aunt, Yvonne Ingram. She leaves to mourn her two children Angel and Paradise; nine siblings, Lesharn, Josef (Danielle), Joel, Jasmine, Jalal, Jamir (Diandra), Jahid, Jamillah and Jakiyyah; one aunt, Haroldine Gantt; two uncles, Roosevelt Gantt (Demetric) and Alvin Nicholson (Arlene); great uncles, Joseph Williams, John Williams and Douglas Spencer; nieces and nephews; special friends, Carlos Cirino, Nyree Magwood, and Kendra Gibson and a host of other loving family members and friends.

## Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks (Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

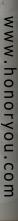
Eulogy

Recessional

## **INTERMENT**

Bayiew Cemetery Jersey City, New Jersey

Repast immediately after the funeral at The Moose Lodge (60 West Side Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07305).







## Heknowledgement

The family of **Jaheera Maryum Ragia Nicholson** acknowledges with deep appreciation every thought and act of kindness rendered to us during this time of bereavement. May "Allah" God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concerns.

## **Professional Services Provided By**

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