

*Celebrating the Life  
of  
Tracy M. Craig-Hernandez*

**Sunrise  
March 8, 1974**

**Sunset  
November 3, 2020**



# *Obituary*

Tracy Hernandez Craig was born on March 8, 1974 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Paterson, NJ to Sheena Freeland and Hector Hernandez. Tracy began her formal education at Paterson Public School #8. She graduated from John F. Kennedy High School, went on to earn an Associate's Degree from Passaic County Community College and a Master's Degree in Nursing from Rutgers University in Newark, NJ

Tracy was employed at Memorial Day Nursery. She went on to work as a Registered Nurse at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, the very hospital where she was born. She was a thoughtful medical professional who dedicated her life to caring for her patients. Tracy reached the pinnacle of her career when she became Head Nurse of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center. She provided life-saving medical care to the precious lives of premature and ill babies and support to their families.

For all her professional success, however, her most fulfilling accomplishment was being a wife to Leonard, who she met while studying at Rutgers-Newark and a devoted mother to their beautiful daughter, Samantha. Tracy loved shopping, cooking and making everyone around her happy.

She was preceded in death by her grandmother; Patricia Jones, grandfather; Hamp Jones, uncle; Angel Hernandez and aunt; Francis Pryor.

Tracy transitioned this life on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Tracy leaves to cherish her life, her husband, Leonard Craig; daughter, Samantha Craig; stepdaughters, Deanna Harris and Dayna Harris; mother, Sheena Freeland; father, Hector Hernandez; brother, Hector Hernandez Jr.; paternal grandmother, Francis Cabrera Marrero; uncles, Robert (Lidia) Hernandez of Florida, Hamp (Karen) Freeland of Baltimore, MD, Bruce (Renee) Jones of Paterson, NJ, John (Kimeko) Jones of Wayne, NJ; aunts, Nilda Carillo of Acworth, GA, Delores Freeland, Josephine Jones and Janet Jones all of Paterson, NJ; nephews, Hector Hernandez III and Angel Hernandez; nieces, Vanessa Hernandez and Jaiesa Hernandez; godmother, Connie Richardson; goddaughter, LaQuisha Mack; godsons, Davon Heyward and Hector Hernandez III.

**Memorial Service**  
**Thursday, November 12, 2020 - 12:00 Noon**

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***Rev. Kenneth Clayton, Officiating***

***Rev. Keith Oden, Organist***

*Order of Service*

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Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading - Vanessa Thomas

Old Testament.....Psalm 23: 1-6

New Testament.....John 14: 1-6

Prayer of Consolation

Rev. Kenneth Clayton

Solo

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Acknowledgments

Remarks

Reflections of Life

Aisha Wilson

Solo

Blessed

Poem

Valerie Wilson

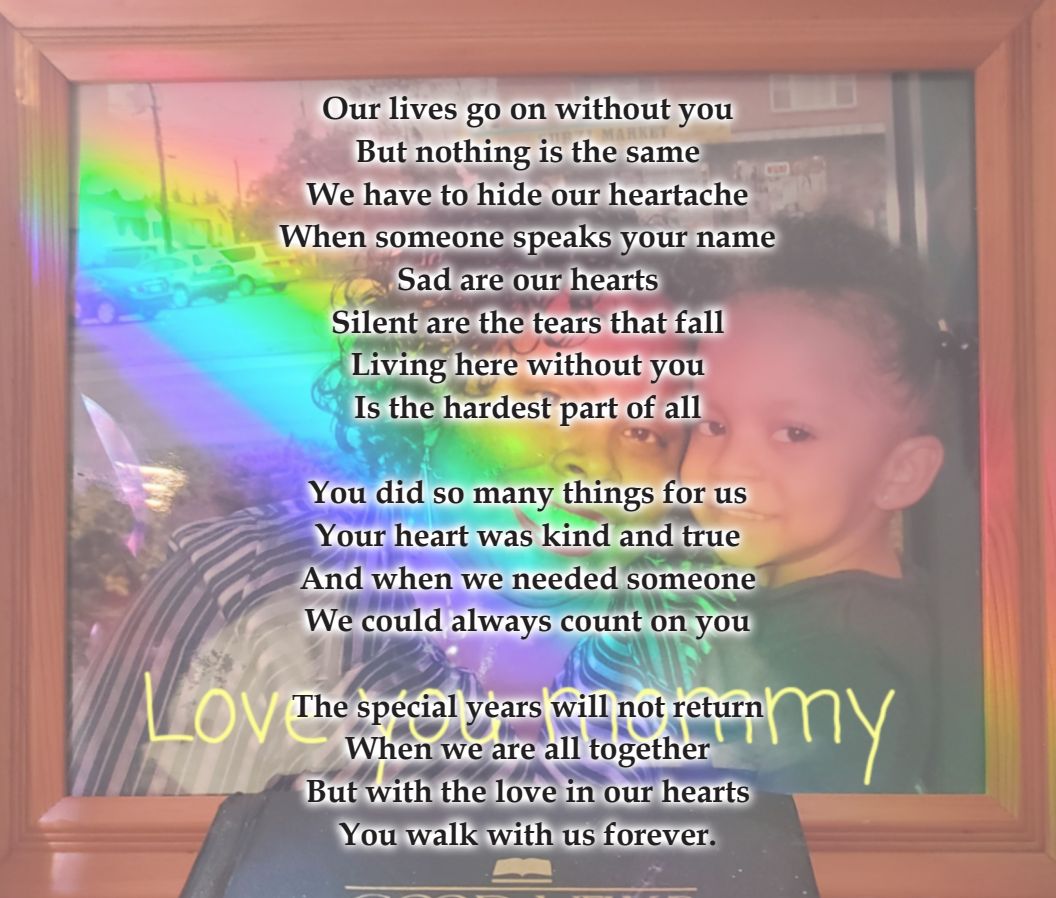
Words of Comfort

Rev. Kenneth Clayton

St. Luke Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

Recessional

“Take Me To The King”



Our lives go on without you  
But nothing is the same  
We have to hide our heartache  
When someone speaks your name  
Sad are our hearts  
Silent are the tears that fall  
Living here without you  
Is the hardest part of all

You did so many things for us  
Your heart was kind and true  
And when we needed someone  
We could always count on you

Love you Mommy  
The special years will not return  
When we are all together  
But with the love in our hearts  
You walk with us forever.

GOOD NEWS  
BIBLE

~Love Samantha & Family

### *Acknowledgment*

The family of the late **Tracy M. Craig-Hernandez** wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.

May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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