



In Loving Memory of
Sandra G. N. McIntosh

Sunrise
August 28, 1974

Sunset
July 22, 2021

Service
Friday, August 6, 2021 • 6:00 p.m.

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Order of Service

WelcomeTamesha Evans

Song “Amazing Grace” - Dr. Frankco

ObituaryTamesha Evans

Scripture..... Psalm 27:1-14 - Tameka Sullivan

Song “Oh What A Sunrise” - Dr. Frankco Harris

Song “I Will Fly Away” - Dr. Frankco Harris

Words Of Expressions (Open Floor)

*(We invite the audience to speak in remembrance of
Sandra for 1 minute each up until 6:00 p.m. sharp)*

Words Of Comfort Bishop Altamont George Blackwood

The New Jerusalem Church Of God In Christ Jesus

Final Disposition

Fresh Pond Crematory
Middle Village, New York

Repast

Occasions Catering Hall
127-08 Merrick Blvd
Queens, NY 11434

Obituary

Beautiful Sandra Georgia Nicolla McIntosh was born on August 28th 1974 to parents Jean Edwards and Earl McIntosh at Jubilee hospital in Kingston Jamaica. Sandra is the third child of 5 siblings. Sophia, Suzette, Rohan, and Robert. Sandra was a Vibrant, beautiful and courageous individual who loved her family dearly. While in Jamaica, she grew closely alongside her siblings and cousins. Sandra was nicknamed "Likkle foot" by her Grandmother Gweny because she had very skinny legs as a child. However, her siblings and cousins could not pronounce likkle and ended up calling her "Lilly foot or Lilly". Sandra and her family lived in the same yard and had an undefying love for one another. They protected each other and although they did not have much, they had an abundance of happiness.

At 15 years old, Sandra's mother pleaded with a local store clerk to allow her daughter to begin work. This was a turning point for Sandra as it introduced a sense of responsibility and honor. She was happy to provide for her family. Hence, giving her entire earnings directly to her mother, not withholding anything for herself. This is a prime example of Sandra's personality She would give her last.

Our Sandra was beyond intelligent. school was very important to her and she enjoyed learning. In Jamiaca she attended Alpha primary school and then Camperdown high school. She continued her schooling and attended Alpha business college.

When Sandra was 16 she migrated to the United States during an NYC blizzard. Sandra once described the snow as "frozen little ice drops". In her native country snow was obsolete. Her family members welcomed her at the airport with a jacket -- another foreign spectacle. However, physical changes weren't the only changes she experienced. Sandra found the language, mannerisms, and clothing ensembles unique. She described the people as "talking funny" and thought they had accents. She quickly began picking up on the New York jargon and fashion and made many American friends. Sandra grew to love the American culture and adapted to the lifestyle easily.

Sandra found refuge in her Aunt Joans' 4 bedroom suburban home in Queens, New York. Sandra once described the traditional home as a "palace" and yearned to have a place of her own one day. It was such desire that motivated Sandra to live the "American dream."

At 16 she was hired at her first American job and for two years Sandra worked defiantly and saved a portion of her earnings. Sandra was able to retain her income and disperse it as she wished. By the age of 18, Sandra moved into an apartment and purchased her first car. For the next few years, she worked at various jobs such as Applebee's, Red Lobster and Bloomingdales. While grateful for these favorable circumstances, Sandra was unfulfilled Her passion was to make a difference on a larger Scale.

In 1996 at the age of 23 a friend informed her about an airline that was hiring. Sandra was interested and evidently, she was hired at American Airlines. The airline loved Sandra's enthusiasm and polite demeanor. Working at the airline revitalized her dream of making a difference. When she lived In Jamaica, Sandra only traveled within a short radius of her home; therefore her perception of the world was minuscule. In contrast, as a flight attendant she realized that the world is composed of thousands of different cultures and ethnicities. Sandra loved traveling the world and meeting new people. She would often bring home souvenirs and other goods to her family, she always encouraged them to travel. Sandra loved being a flight attendant, her favorite trips were going to places that had a warm climate such as Jamaica or Antigua.

At the age of 27, she welcomed a beautiful bouncing baby boy named Shawn Magishie Jr.

He would be her first and only child. Shawn was Sandra's heartbeat and she did everything in her power to give him the best life possible.

She loved her son more than anything or anyone in the world. She migrated from queens, New York to Medford, Long Island where she purchased her very first home. It was there that she raised her son as a determined single parent.

Sandra was proud that she taught her son the importance of education, and she beamed of joy when he graduated high school in 2019. She would often drive him to his college in Albany where he later became an honor roll student. His achievements brought pure joy to Sandra and she proudly spoke about her son with a sense of fulfillment.

Sandra was very fashionable and adorned herself in the best clothing. She loved shopping and she was a girly girl who often got her hair and nails done. When Sandra entered a room, her presence was felt. She had a loud and distinct voice that could easily be heard everywhere. Sandra's smile was very inviting and many people gravitated towards her because of her unique and friendly personality.

Sandra also enjoyed dancing and was often called "the life of the party". She also loved to cook her traditional Jamaican dishes, ox tail with rice and peas, stew peas, fish and baking lemon cake.

In 2016 she returned to school and received her associates degree at Suffolk community college. Shortly after she became a nurse at Stony Brook University Hospital. Working at Stony Brook was a dream come true for Sandra. As a nurse she quickly built a close relationship with both her co-workers and patients. Sandra would receive letters from patients admiring her hard work and dedication. Nursing was more than a job for Sandra, it was her passion.

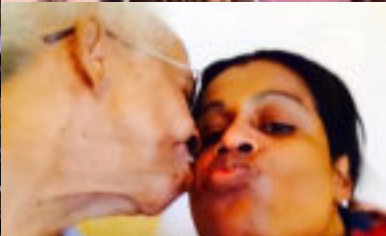
In 2020, Sandra continued her education once again. She obtained a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Stony Brook School of Medicine. In the middle of the pandemic Sandra worked endless days/nights on the front lines caring and treating COVID patients. Sandra had a heart of gold, taking care of others was her passion. Sandra would work and attend school simultaneously. She was determined to become the best version of herself.

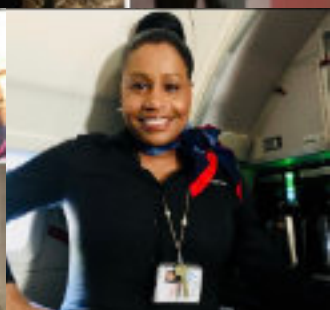
Additionally, Sandra was passionate about women empowerment and demonstrated leadership skills to all whom she encountered. Sandra encouraged coworkers at both stonybrook/ and American Airlines to return to school; and reminded them it was never too late. She was a source of pure inspiration as she desired for everyone to win.

In both occupations, Sandra believed that her dream of making a difference had come true. In March of 2020, Sandra was asked if she identifies more with Jamaica or America. Sandra explained "it is a combination of both." Sandra elaborated that she is culturally Jamaican but socially American. As a parent, Sandra taught her son to value the morals and culture from her homeland while taking advantage of America's educational resources.

On July 22, 2021 our beloved Sandra was tragically taken away from us too soon. Up until her untimely passing, she was still employed at American Airlines for over 20 years and was an active nurse at Stony Brook for 5 years. Sandra was a young woman who migrated from Jamaica to America and impacted the lives of everyone she encountered. She will be remembered for her kindness, humor, loving spirit, and bravery.

She is survived by her son Shawn Magishie, her mother Jean, her siblings Sophia, Suzette, Rohan, and Robert. All of her nieces and nephews, All of her cousins, aunts and uncle. Her best friends for over 20 years. Her entire Stony Brook family, and her family at American Airlines. Her memory will forever live in our hearts, as we reflect on the joy she brought to us all.







God's Promise

*God did not promise
Days without pain,
Laughter without sorrow
Or sun without rain.
But God did promise
Strength for the day,
Comfort for the tears
And a light for the way,
And for all who believe
In His Kingdom above,
He answers their faith
With everlasting love.*

Acknowledgements

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the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown
to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

May God Bless and Keep You!

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