

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

JA'NAI
E.

DAVENPORT

Sunrise: June 25, 2014
Sunset: December 7, 2021

Saturday, December 18, 2021 - 4PM

Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
231 W. 142nd Street, New York, NY 10030

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Whosoever Will Ministries



OBITUARY

Ja'nai Emily Davenport transitioned to heavens gates to gain her wings on December 7, 2021. Heaven has gained another angel. Ja'nai was born on June 25, 2014 at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York City to Janerle Brown and Damion Davenport. She was a beautiful, cuddly baby with pudgy cheeks.

Ja'nai attended pre-kindergarten at P.S. 93 Albert G. Oliver in Bronx, NY and Success Academy Harlem 4 Charter School grades (K-2). Her pre-k teacher described Ja'nai as sweet, loving, caring, helpful and affectionate with a bubbly personality. She was a happy child with a smile that would brighten up a room. She was very respectful toward others and an excellent teacher's helper. Ja'nai had a big heart and would often try to help or console classmates who were having difficulty with a task or feeling sad. She would try her best to cheer them up. Ja'nai also possessed characteristics and qualities of a good leader for a child her age. She was not afraid to take charge or speak her mind in her own defense. She was very curious and would ask many questions as she was eager to learn. She had a wonderful rapport with her peers and adults.

Ja'nai enjoyed being read to, dancing, singing, painting, coloring, dramatic play, building with blocks, creating sculptures with Play-Doh and playing with her friends/classmates during recess. During her time away from school, Ja'nai enjoyed other recreational activities, such as, riding bikes, skating and skateboarding as she grew and matured. She had a passion for reading and would take pleasure in reading books, playing dress-up and beauty salon with her sister Dj.

Ja'nai was described by family as "so small, but a protector to her family". She would often shadow her mommy and act as her advocate. She was a "big lil sis to Dj" and they were inseparable. Their bond was undeniably powerful and unbreakable. She loved fixing cars and being a nurse to her dad. When Ja'nai learned that her mommy was having a baby, she became so excited. She was ecstatic about becoming a big sister to her baby brother. She loved to dote on him.

Ja'nai possessed other loving qualities and attributes, as she was described by others as having a beautiful soul, being loving, feisty, a dare-devil, intelligent, an old soul, outgoing, an entrepreneur, a human encyclopedia, family oriented, athletic, outspoken, cuddly, playful, strong and helpful.

She loved being creative and experimenting. One of her specialties was making slime. Her favorite color was purple. Her favorite food was fried chicken and bacon egg & cheese. She was a beautician at heart. Her favorite subject in school was English. Ja'nai enjoyed going on trips with her family.

Our family is devastated by the loss of Ja'nai and will treasure the brief but precious time we had with her. Ja'nai will always be remembered by her loved ones but more specifically by: her parents, Janerle and Damion; her big sister, D'janae; baby brother, Jamieon, who Ja'nai will now serve as their loving guardian angel. Ja'nai also leaves to cherish her: grandparents, Dorothy and Tony; aunts, Sharain, Dalisha, and Keosha; her uncles, TaTa, RaRa, Earl, Mousey, and Peyisai; godparents, La'julianna, Denise, Tremaine, and Shawn; and a host of cousins, great-aunts, great uncles and other loved ones and friends.

Ja'nai was predeceased by grandfather, Earl K. Brown, Sr.; grandmother, Janie Adams; great-grandfather, James Gourdine; great-grandmother, Emily Gourdine; great-aunt, Gloria Wilkerson; and great-grandmother, Omega Scott.

Ja'nai you will be forever missed more than words could ever describe. We will always love you Baby aka Olivia & Cheeks.

ORDER OF SERVICE

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION
Pastor Kevin Quarles, Officiant

Prelude

Processional

Musical Selection

Scripture

Old Testament Scripture - Psalm 23:1-6
New Testament Scripture - John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Expressions

Acknowledgements

Reading of the Obituary

Musical Selection

Eulogy

Pastor Kevin Quarles
Whosoever Will Ministries, Inc.
Bronx, New York

Benediction

INTERMENT:

Rosehill Cemetery, Linden, New Jersey

I HEARD YOUR VOICE IN THE WIND TODAY

I heard your voice in the wind today
and I turned to see your face;
The warmth of the wind caressed me
as I stood silently in place.

I felt your touch in the sun today
as its warmth filled the sky;
I closed my eyes for your embrace
and my spirit soared high.

I saw your eyes in the window pane
as I watched the falling rain;
It seemed as each raindrop fell
it quietly said your name.

I held you close in my heart today
it made me feel complete;
You will always be a part of me.

As long as the sun shines...
the wind blows...
the rain falls...
You will live on inside of me forever
for that is all my heart knows.

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The family graciously acknowledges the many expressions of sympathy, and heartfelt acts of kindness, during this very difficult time. Your caring has been a tremendous source of comfort to us. God Bless You.

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