

REMEMBERING

Latoya Patrice Ruff

AUGUST 2, 1985 – JUNE 26, 2023

Order of Service

Musical Prelude **Mr. Leonard Tyson**

Processional **led by Bishop Donald Hamm
and Pulpit Guests**

Last Glance and Final Sealing

Selection **Ms. Barbara Walton, Tiny Foster
and Dem Saints | Atlanta, GA**

Prayer **Bishop Hamm or Appointee**

Scripture
Old Testament **Pastor Del’Juan Jackson**
New Testament **First Lady Tracie Hamm**

Reflections **Open to Family and Friends**
limit 2 minutes

Poem **Ms. Sonya Ruff**

Selection **Ms. Barbara Walton, Tiny Foster
and Dem Saints | Atlanta, GA**

Eulogy **Bishop Donald Hamm**
Bread of Life Covenant Ministries

Acknowledgements and
Presentation of the
Family Bible **Barnum Staff**

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Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off or to silent mode during the service. Thank you.

*We thought of you today, but that’s nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday and days before that, too.
We think of you in silence. We often speak your name.
All we have are memories and your picture in a frame.
Your memory is a keepsake from which we’ll never part.
God has you in His arms. We have you in our hearts.*

in life, we loved you dearly
Latoya Patrice Ruff ~ 1985-2023

Earthly Place of Rest
EASTVIEW CEMETERY
802 Ashby Street, Americus, GA 31709

Pallbearers and Flower Attendants
Ms. Danielle Green Ms. Chelsea Smalls
Ms. Jessica Reynolds Ms. Shanika Lowe
Ms. Tanneshia G. Kisor Ms. Pandoria Barker
Ms. DaQuita Lillard Ms. Monique Clemons

Friends of the Family

Our Gratitude

Your kind expression of sympathy will always
be remembered with GRATITUDE.

With Love,
THE FAMILY

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:
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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
Latoya Patrice RUFF
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Services:
Wednesday, July 5th, 2023
2:00 p.m.
Friendship Missionary
Baptist Church
411 Cotton Avenue, Americus, GA 31709
Bishop Melvin McCluster, Pastor

Officiant:
Bishop Donald Hamm
Bread of Life Covenant Ministries

A Heart of Gold
**FOREVER
IN OUR
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Obituary

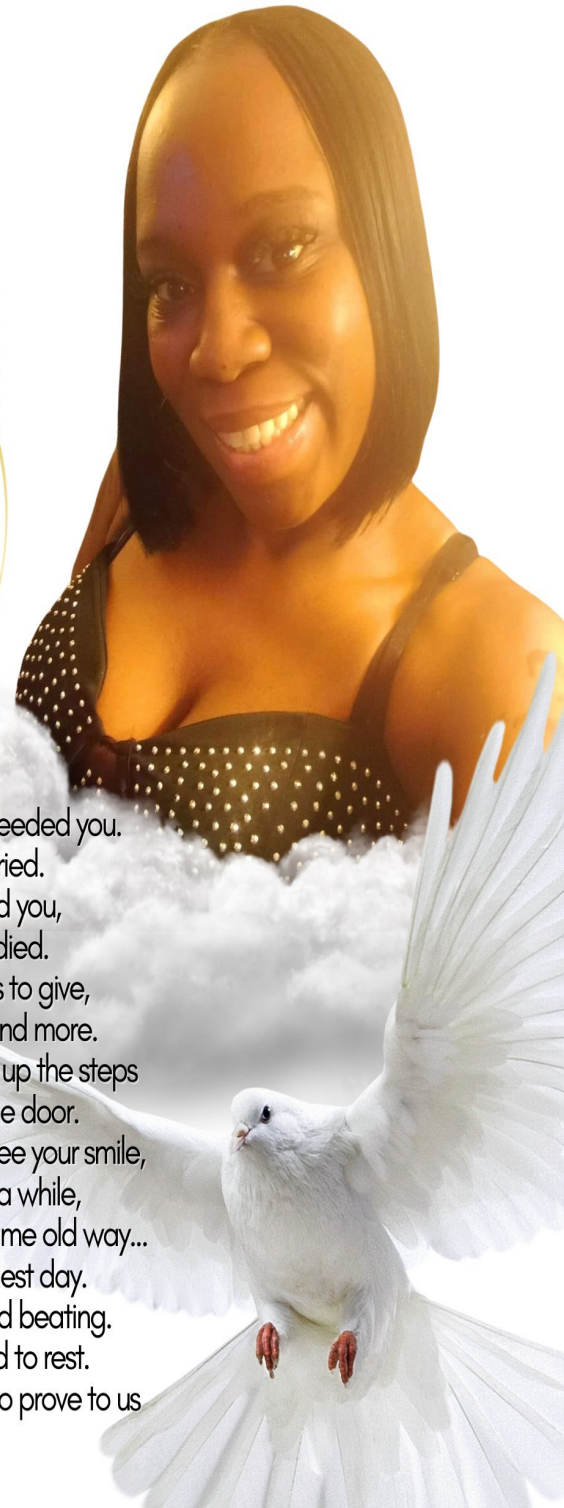
MS. LATOYA PATRICE RUFF was born in Sumter County, Georgia on August 2, 1985, to the parents of Mr. Lucious Harris of Albany, GA and Ms. Paula Ruff of Atlanta, GA. She was educated and a graduate of the public schools of Sumter County. She was employed as lead supervisor at Cook Out. She enjoyed spending time listening to music on YouTube. She is preceded in death by her brother, Clifton Deon Ruff and her aunt, Susie Ann Ruff Louise.

In addition to her parents, left to cherish her memories are her grandmothers: Ms. Mamie Ruff, Americus, GA and Ms. Beatrice Walker, Albany, GA; her brothers: Mr. Rankin Ruff and friend, Jessica Reynolds of Americus, GA; Mr. Lucious (Cassandra) Harris, Jr., Jacksonville, FL and Mr. Terry (Latasha) Harris, Albany, GA; her companion, Mr. Torriano Mercer, Americus, GA; three nephews: Jayden Ruff, Atlanta, GA; Deon Green, Americus, GA and Lucious Harris, III, Jacksonville, FL; two nieces, Deonna Griffin, Americus, GA and Ashley Green, Atlanta, GA; great nieces; her aunts and uncles: Mr. Henry (Maria) Ruff, Roslindale, MA; Ms. Geneva Ruff, Boston, MA; Mrs. Mary (Roosevelt) Johnson, Brockton, MA; Ms. Mattie Terry, Roxbury, MA; Mr. Benjamin (Rosie) Ruff, Mr. Wayne B. Ruff, Mr. Antonious (Lynn) Ruff, Ms. Laura Sanders, Mrs. April (Terrill) Baker, all of Americus, GA; Mr. James Ruff, Jr., Atlanta, GA; Ms. Linda Harris, Ms. Juanita Harris, Ms. Jackie Harris, Ms. Gail Harris, Mr. Wadell Harris, Mr. Gary Harris & wife and Mr. Bishop Harris, all of Albany, GA; Mr. Willie Thomas, Mr. Eugene (Susie) Thomas, Ms. Brenda Monts, Ms. Connie Thomas and Ms. Debra Thomas; a host of cousins, other relatives and friends, including special friends: Mr. Morris Williams, Ms. Keyundra Jenkins and Mr. Ulysses Green also survive.

A Love So Sweet

LATOYA PATRICE RUFF
1985-2023

A million times, we've needed you.
A million times, we've cried.
If love could have saved you,
you never would have died.
If all the world was ours to give,
we would give it, yes, and more.
Just to see you coming up the steps
and walking through the door.
To hear your voice, to see your smile,
to sit and talk with you a while,
to be with you in the same old way...
that would be our fondest day.
A heart of gold stopped beating.
Two smiling eyes closed to rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.



MISS ME, BUT LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road,
and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?

Miss me a little, but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared.
MISS ME, BUT LET ME GO.

For this is a journey that we all must take
and each must go alone.
It's all part of the master's plan;
a step on the road to home.
MISS ME, BUT LET ME GO.

You are not forgotten, Dear One,
nor will you ever be.
As long as life and memory last,
we will remember thee.