



Shardae L. Downes

January 3, 1994 - February 9, 2015

On Monday, February 9, 2015, in a peaceful, quiet moment, God's will was done and Shardae slipped away into his awaiting arms.

Shardae Lashaye Downes was born to parents, Sherri Evette Corbin and Lamont Arnel Downes on January 3, 1994 in Baltimore, Maryland.

She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Mr. Robert Downes; great-grandfather, Mr. James Turner, Sr., a uncle, Bruce and an aunt, Sonya Turner. In her early life, Shardae attended Maryland School for the Blind and then Bancroft School in Voorhees, New Jersey.

Shardae, despite often discomfort and pain, would laugh and smile. She only knew her family's voices and touch and she loved for you to sing or play music; then the dancing and hand clapping would begin. She was truly a special gift from God.

She leaves to cherish her memories, her mother, Sherri; father, Lamont; grandparents, Iris and Robert Corbin; grandmothers, Audrey Downes and Rita Phillips; great-grandmother, Jean Turner; five sisters, Kaniya Phillips, Montasia Demby, Jaidin Downes, Kimika Goudeaux and Briana Phillips; adopted sister, Rochelle Bryant; five brothers, Isaiah Phillips, Lamont Downes, Jr., Khalil, Ryan and Montez Downes; three aunts, Lori Downes, Jaki Flood and Xsavior Downes; also a special aunt, Shawn Turner; three uncles, Troy Corbin-Shelley, Donnie Downes and Rassan Downes; a host of great-uncles, aunts, cousins, family and friends. We also render a special acknowledgement to Mr. Hubert Phillips, Jr., who played a major fatherly role in her life.

The family also wishes to thank and acknowledge her uncle, Peanut; aunts, Charmonque Downes, Adrienne Atkins, Melissa Brown and Mr. Shawn Russell for their loving care and support; also to her big sister, Mika, who hands-on loved, nurtured, cared for and protected her sister.

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