



Donneka Renee Jones

November 2, 1981 - February 5, 2020

Donneka Renee' "Neka" Jones entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, February 5, 2020.

She was known to family and friends as "Neka". Neka was born in Centralia, IL on November 2, 1981 to Donald and Emily (Moss) Jones. She departed this life at 38 years of age. Donneka was a member of Ricks Chapel AME Zion Church where she sang in the youth choir, served as an acolyte, and was also a member of the Junior Usher Board.

She was educated in the Centralia public school system and later attended Kaskaskia College in Centralia. In 2012, Donneka relocated to Mattoon, IL, where she pursued a phlebotomy certificate at Lakeland College.

She married Cody Hildebrand on July 3, 2017, they later divorced. To this union one child was born. Donneka relocated to Elizabeth City, NC on February 3, 2019 where she attended Good Hope AME Zion Church. She was enrolled and expected to attend College of the Albermarle in the Spring of 2020. She made many friends in Elizabeth City in the short span of time that she lived there.

Donneka without doubt was a Daddy's girl! Donneka loved her children immensely. She had a "special affection" for all her family members. She was a very loving, kind and giving young lady. She had a beautiful smile that lit up the room. She would do anything for anyone. She would give her last, even to a stranger. She loved to do hair, including her own. She often brought children and friends to stay at her home. She loved to watch sports with her brothers,

especially the Laker games(Koby). She enjoyed life to the fullest.

She leaves to cherish her memory: her loving parents, Emily and Donald; fictive kin parents, Larry and Suzette Jones of Centralia, IL; mother-in-law Cathy Hildebrand of Justin, TX; grandfather William Birdo of Los Angeles, CA; three daughters; Desiree and Jarryn Jones of Centralia, IL; Daylee Hildebrand of Elizabeth City, NC; one son Jarrod Jones, Jr. of Elizabeth City, NC; one step-daughter Layla Hildebrand of Mattoon, IL; one grandson: Kade Jones of Centralia, IL; four brothers: Rencel Jones of Charlotte, NC; DeVeon Moss and W. Anthony Jones of Edwardsville, IL and Jeremey Moss (Christina) of Centralia, IL; two fictive kin sisters: Sharronda Poore of Centralia, and Erika Freltag of Edwardsville, IL; three nieces; Delveon, Aryana and Jamalya; seven nephews; DeVeon Jr., Caeden, Jayden, Montez, Jayceon, Jeremey Jr. and Jeziah; four Aunts: Deloris Paskins (Ernest) and Doris White of Salisbury, MD; Marilyn McClain of Riverside, CA; Phoebe Moss of Centralia, four uncles: Russell Jones (Jackie) of Baltimore, MD; Julius Moss of Centralia, Terry Moss (Angi) of Franklin, IN and W. Marco Birdo of Moreno Valley, CA. She also leaves to cherish great aunts, great uncles and a host of cousins and friends. Donneka was preceded in death by her grandmothers: Frances Birdo and Doris Jones; grandfather George Russell Jones; Aunt: Garcea Moss and Uncles: Robert Jones, Richard Moss and other beloved relatives.

Funeral Services for Donneka Reneé "Neka" Jones will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2020 at 1:00pm at Ricks Chapel AME Zion Church with Pastor Val Powell officiating, burial to follow at Elmwood Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 11:00am to 1:00pm at the church on Saturday. In honor of Neka, Memorial donations may be made to the family and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home, 235 N. Sycamore Street, Centralia, IL 62801, 618-532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Jones Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

GJ

“ *Georgia Jones-Richardson lit a candle in memory of Donneka Renee Jones*



Georgia Jones-Richardson - February 28, 2020 at 12:19 AM

JJ

“ *Jackie Jones lit a candle in memory of Donneka Renee Jones*



Jackie Jones - February 22, 2020 at 10:41 AM

JM

“ *Jana Martin lit a candle in memory of Donneka Renee Jones*



jana martin - February 18, 2020 at 07:28 PM