



Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan

April 8, 1978 - September 19, 2022

Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan, 44, of Peoria, IL passed away at 2:03 pm on Monday, September 19, 2022 at UnityPoint Health Methodist Hospital.

LaKisha was born on April 8, 1978 in Peoria, IL to Jessie and Emma (Sanders) McGowan.

LaKisha worked for Addus HomeCare as a caregiver. She was a 1996 graduate of Woodruff High School. LaKisha accepted Christ at an early age. She loved her family and love to cook and listen to music. LaKisha had an amazing smile.

LaKisha leaves to cherish her most precious memories her parents, Jessie and Emma McGowan of Peoria, IL; her fiancé, Anthony “Amp” Spencer of Peoria, IL; three brothers, Christopher Carruthers of Spring Valley, MN, Dexter (Lucy) Anderson and Carlos Holly both of Peoria, IL; two sisters, Peggy Carruthers of Peoria, IL and Susan McGowan of Dunlap, IL; her beloved dog, Major and her best friend, Sally Zapata of Peoria, IL and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends who loved her. She is preceded in death by her brother, Tyris Carruthers, her grandparents, James and Carrie McGowan, Claude Sanders and Lula Bell Sanders.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am on Saturday, September 24, 2022 at New Life Christian Church with a visitation one-hour prior at 9am. Pastor

Ahmad Dawson will officiate. LaKisha will be laid to rest at Swan Lake Memory Gardens.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be sent to [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.SimonsMortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE (Central Time).

Due to Covid-19, social distancing is encouraged to be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA), funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services.

*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them).

*It is our responsibility as Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Cemetery Details

Swan Lake Memory Gardens

4601 W War Memorial Dr.
Peoria, IL 61615

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 24. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

New Life Christian Church
2018 West Kellogg Avenue
West Peoria, IL 61604
(309) 681-4673
<http://nlccpeoria.org>

Funeral Service

SEP 24. 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM (CT)

New Life Christian Church
2018 West Kellogg Avenue
West Peoria, IL 61604
(309) 681-4673
<http://nlccpeoria.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan*



Simons Mortuary - September 26, 2022 at 11:42 AM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan*



Simons Mortuary - September 23, 2022 at 04:43 PM



“ *Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

CM

“ Sorry for your loss. She was a very special person. Going to miss my friend who became my texting friend for years. We would try to text each other every morning wishing each other a beautiful day with love. It my sometimes be weeks or months when we didn't heard from each other but we always tried to check on each other, loved when I received her text cause it started out my day with a smile. May God give you strength through this difficult time. God Bless Chris Morgan

Chris Morgan - September 28, 2022 at 02:23 PM

 Barbara Vinson

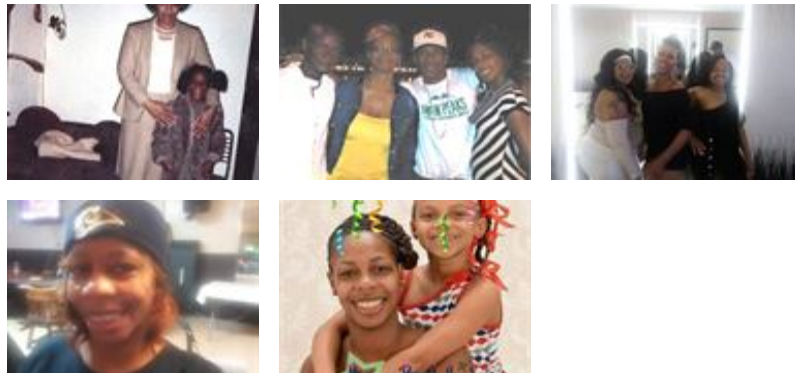
“ Praying for The Family of Lakisha... She was my friend. I'm truly going to miss her... Matthew 5:4.. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.



Barbara Vinson - September 25, 2022 at 09:39 PM



“ 36 files added to the album LifeTributes



Simons Mortuary - September 23, 2022 at 04:41 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan.*



September 23, 2022 at 04:39 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Simons Mortuary - September 23, 2022 at 02:42 PM



“ *Neicy Cagle lit a candle in memory of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan*



Neicy Cagle - September 23, 2022 at 11:47 AM

RW

“ To the family of Ms. Lakisha Nicole McGowan, my family and I offer our most heartfelt condolences for your recent loss. I'm sure that there are no words at this juncture that would ease the pain of losing a child, as I, last year, lost a granddaughter to Covid-19; let not our hearts be troubled for He will comfort us in our time of need. Trust and believe in Him for He will not forsake you, but will give you rest.



Condolences: Ray Williams and Family

Ray Williams - September 22, 2022 at 04:57 PM

JB

“ Joanie Brown lit a candle in memory of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan



Joanie Brown - September 22, 2022 at 01:18 PM



“ Shirley Robertson lit a candle in memory of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan



Shirley Robertson - September 22, 2022 at 12:20 PM

RB

“ Sincere condolences to family, friends, & love ones...rest well 🕊️



Rita Vinson Burns - September 22, 2022 at 11:34 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ms. LaKisha Nichole McGowan.



September 21, 2022 at 02:30 PM

RW

“ My prayers go out to the family. Lakisha was a beautiful soul with a smile of an angel. God received a beautiful Angel and I know she will be beside in you. Remember that beautiful smile and all the wonderful memories she left here on earth. My God Bless.



Robert and Cathy Wright - September 21, 2022 at 01:40 PM