



Miss Taylor Denise McClain

September 20, 1994 - February 27, 2018

Taylor Denise McClain, 23, of Peoria, IL passed away at 3:50 am on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at Unity Point Methodist Hospital.

Taylor was born on September 20, 1994 in Peoria to Tia McClain and Kenneth Rutherford. She was a 2013 Graduate of Richwoods high School where she was a four year Varsity Lettered Cheerleader, member of the National Honor Society and Richwoods' Homecoming Queen. She was also an officer with the Peoria Urban League's TSTM program during high school. She was a competitive cheerleader with Cheer Time and was currently a cheer coach with Titanium Force Cheer. Taylor was a 2017 graduate of Illinois State University where she received her Bachelor's Degree in Human Development and minored in Child life Studies. While at ISU she was a football and basketball cheerleader and honor student. She was also a staff member of UCA (Universal Cheer Association). Taylor also worked for Rogy's Daycare. Taylor was a faithful member of Gospel Experience Church under the leadership of Pastor Richard Hammonds where she was a Youth Praise Dance Leader. Taylor always had a smile on her face, ready to be of help to all and just a joy to be around. She was the go to babysitter for many of her family and friends.

Taylor leaves to cherish her most precious memories; her mother Tia McClain; Father, Kenneth Rutherford of Peoria; her fiancé, Nick Parks of Peoria; brothers, Dorian McClain and Kenneth Rutherford, Jr., both of Peoria; sisters, Te'Necia Foreman, Lola, Lucaya and Kenya Rutherford all of Peoria; God

parents, Raymond (Sharon) Mills of Atlanta, GA; special aunts, Tonya “TaTa” (David) McClain-Davis of Peoria and Trina (Curtis) Stenson-Stuckey of Las Vegas, NV; special uncle Anthony (Kari) McClain of Decatur, IL; her special and only niece, Trinity Langhorn and a host of other relatives and many friends who truly adored Taylor.

A funeral service will be held at 1 PM at the Church of the Living God, Temple 130 on Saturday, March 3, 2018 with a visitation beginning at 12:00 Noon.

Host Pastor Vice Chief Bishop Leroy Smith. Pastor Richard Hammonds will officiate. Taylor will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Church of the Living God
2815 W LAKE AVE
Peoria, IL 61615
(309) 688-6463
bishopsmith@ctlgcwff.org

Funeral Service

MAR 3. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain*



Simons Mortuary - March 02, 2018 at 02:45 PM



“ *Miss Taylor Denise McClain*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Miss Taylor Denise McClain*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Hey McClain family, sorry I'm sending this out so late, Hard to believe Taylor has already been in heaven for 3 years, still feels like yesterday, even though I didn't know her personally, she still seemed like a very nice, sweet, and kind hearted young woman, still want everyone to know that you still have my deepest condolences as well as Bethany, My mom's, and Chris's deepest condolences too even after a few of the balloon releases we've all done for Taylor, I hope everyone is doing ok.*

R.I.P Taylor, you are missed by many, Gone way too soon

Turner Grishaw - September 12, 2021 at 05:11 PM



“ 9 files added to the album *Photos from Taylor's Celebration of Life*



Cardell Pickens - March 10, 2018 at 01:40 PM

WH

“ *We are sorry you're going through this difficult time and we are praying for peace for you and your family.*
Perry Sr & Wanda Hunt

Wanda Hunt - March 03, 2018 at 08:19 PM

KR

“ *Taylor 's praise dancing would light up the atmosphere whenever in attendance at the Gospel Experience Praise Dance concerts and/or her presence when she is ministering in dance wherever. I will never forget her humbleness to fellowship in dance with our ministry. She was such a "Beautiful Spirit with awesome talents and gifts . An "Anointed Praise Dancer " that we here on earth in the Kingdom of God will forever remember & miss.*



Kecia Randle - March 03, 2018 at 08:11 AM

P2

“ Peoria Fire Academy Staff - Class 2018-1 purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.



Peoria Fire Academy Staff - Class 2018-1 - March 02, 2018 at 04:14 PM

RQ

“ Rebecca and Ted Quinn purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.



Rebecca and Ted Quinn - March 02, 2018 at 12:25 PM

MG

“ Marty Gray lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Marty Gray - March 02, 2018 at 08:15 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.



March 02, 2018 at 08:04 AM

MJ

“ Her smile was worth MILLIONS. I will never forget the bear hug she gave me at ISU's 2016 Homecoming kick-off on the Quad. I was only a freshman and I couldn't wait to see Taylor around campus, lol. When we spotted eachother at the event it was like a mini reunion. She asked me how everything was going and of course lended her support! She really cheered hard that day, she always did. She will be missed 💔

Marissa Jones - March 02, 2018 at 02:04 AM

CL

“ Carolyn Logsdon lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Carolyn logsdon - March 01, 2018 at 11:17 PM

AD

“ Taylor did her clinical in my room and her smile was to real. She had a pure love for children and a love for life I rarely see. Taylor lived life.. every bumpy lively, and lovely moment of it💔 She is already gravely missed. Love you sweet girl
Angel



angel davis-clarkson - March 01, 2018 at 09:43 PM

TC

“ *T Childs lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain*



T Childs - March 01, 2018 at 08:51 PM

RH

“ *Rachel Hearn lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain*



Rachel Hearn - March 01, 2018 at 07:26 PM

RH

“ *There are no words to express, but just know that our hearts goes out to you and your family. We Lift You Up In Prayer, And Love With Condolences 🙏*

Mr. Kendall & Rachel Hearn

Rachel Hearn - March 01, 2018 at 07:26 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.*



March 01, 2018 at 05:31 PM

LW

“ *Ladonis Winters lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain*



Ladonis Winters - March 01, 2018 at 01:05 PM

FS

“ *Facilities Services Office & Management Staff purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.*



Facilities Services Office & Management Staff - March 01, 2018 at 11:45 AM

GM

“ *Gale Mayo lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain*



Gale Mayo - March 01, 2018 at 12:47 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.*



March 01, 2018 at 12:31 AM

RW

“ I will always remember the last time I saw Taylor she had her beautiful smile, and we talked briefly and our parting words were of love. The my niece Tia, you did an excellent job of raising your girls and have my heartfelt sympathy and prayers, you can always call me and I will keep you lifted up.

Renee' Wadley - February 28, 2018 at 11:52 PM

ED

“ I am Andrea Detra's mother and Brenna's grandmother and want to offer my condolences to the family's loss of a beautiful young lady. I am so sorry - prayers and thoughts to you.

Eileen Detra - February 28, 2018 at 08:38 PM

BP

“ You'll truly be missed Taylor. Kali and I love and miss you dearly❤️



Bre Perry - February 28, 2018 at 07:48 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.



February 28, 2018 at 07:44 PM

TJ

“ Toni Johnson lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Toni Johnson - February 28, 2018 at 07:43 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Hold on to God's inchanging hand



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - February 28, 2018 at 04:37 PM

TM

“ Tanya Mack lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Tanya Mack - February 28, 2018 at 03:15 PM

SR

“ Samantha R. lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Samantha R. - February 28, 2018 at 03:08 PM

JW

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Jessica Watkins - February 28, 2018 at 12:41 PM

CH

“ Cheryljohnson lit a candle in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Cheryljohnson - February 28, 2018 at 11:42 AM

KA

“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Karen Ashby - February 28, 2018 at 11:19 AM

JB

“ Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Miss Taylor Denise McClain



Joanie Brown - February 28, 2018 at 09:44 AM

MW

“ My favorite Memory is when Taylor wanted to do her first solo Praise Dance and she wanted me to help her with it! I was so honored to go to her home and she did an Amazing job ALL BY HERSELF! The song was, “ I Believe God” I wasn’t able to see her do the dance because I had to be at my own church that Sunday! But later I saw a video someone posted! I wished I still had it. She was one who put her ALL AND ALL in the ministry God had anointed specifically for her! Taylor I am going to miss your smile, the young people always called me Missy, and just the spontaneous run ins and seeing you at church. IVE WATCHED you through your Mom Tia grow into a Beautiful young Educated woman! We are so going to miss You! Love you always Taylor 🌹❤️🌹

Michelle Watson - February 28, 2018 at 12:40 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cardell Pickens - February 28, 2018 at 12:26 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.



February 27, 2018 at 11:15 PM

MP

“ Rest In Peace my Sweetie. I love you to the moon and back. Thanks for loving my son. He misses you like crazy. You were his one and only true love. You will truly be missed. Mrs. Sonya



Mrs. Sonya Parks-Linwood - February 27, 2018 at 06:45 PM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Miss Taylor Denise McClain.



February 27, 2018 at 06:26 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cardell Pickens - February 27, 2018 at 06:01 PM

JG

Prayers for peace and comfort during this extremely difficult time for your beloved family

joAn Grane - February 28, 2018 at 05:01 AM