



Ayana D'nae Stepteau-Baker

July 1, 1977 - November 27, 2010

AYANA D'NAE STEPTEAU-BAKER, daughter of Linda McGowens and Anthony Ivan Stepteau with stepfather MacArthur McGowens, was born on July 1, 1977 in Baltimore, Maryland. She departed this life on November 27, 2010, after a lengthy illness.

She received her education at Northwestern High School. After completing high school she worked as a nail designer and technician. She later attended Medix School for medical billing. She was at the top of her class with straight A's. Unfortunately she was unable to complete her internship due to her illness.

Yonnie, as she was affectionately known, was very artistic and creative. She began singing as a small child. As an adult she had a beautiful singing voice. Yonnie had a radiant personality and was full of life.

Yonnie's pride and joy were her children whom she loved with all her heart. She was a very dedicated mother who took an active role in her children's favorite activities, Smootie's modeling and Danny's basketball. She was always on the front line cheering them on.

Yonnie always wanted to be married one day and on November 24, 2010 her and Daniel were joined in Holy Matrimony. In her darkest hour this marriage

made her very, very happy.

Yonnie was a strong, young woman. Even when the doctors told her she only had days to live, she never shed a tear. She was more concerned that her mother, children and all who loved her remained strong. Even though she will be greatly missed, she will forever be in our hearts.

She leaves to mourn: mother, Linda McGowens; father, Anthony Stepteau; stepfather McArthur McGowens; husband, Daniel Baker; daughter, Taijae and son, Danny; devoted godsister, Darice friend; godson, Mykell friend; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

2130 Woodlawn Drive
Baltimore, MD 21207

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC 2. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
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Family Hour

DEC 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

DEC 3. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Service

DEC 3. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ayana D'nae Stepteau-Baker*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Ayana, we really did not get to know each other very well, but you are my family and I will miss you. Your children are the image of you, and you will live through them. I remember my last visit with you and I grabbed your hand, but my last time seeing you happy and smiling was at my parents house this past July, and you and Daniel were playing cards and we were all laughing and joking. These are the memories I want to remember of you. May you have peace, and I know you left knowing that you were loved and still are loved. You will be that star in the sky.....and again you will be missed....God Bless*

Adrian McGowens - December 02, 2010 at 07:52 PM

CP

“ To the Family: I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Losing a loved one in death is never easy to deal with. My family and I have found that reflecting on God's feelings on death as found in his word the Bible, prove to be a true comfort. For example if you read over John Chapter 11, you will see the account of when Jesus friend Lazarus died and how even Jesus felt the pain of this. However Jesus, being God's son, was able to do something about it and he did. He demonstrated his ability and desire to resurrect him from the dead. This is such an enlightning and encouraging account. Please take time and read it with your family. I am confident it will comfort you. And just imagine that this is something that will soon take place right here on earth, for all of us to have the opportunity to see our dead loved ones again! Happy and healthy. Revelation 21:3,4 as well as Acts 17:31 and John 5:28, 29 highlight these points. Please read them from your Bible.

C. P - December 02, 2010 at 05:20 PM

BJ

“ I really miss you Ayana. I look for your smiling face everytime I come into the nail salon. I remember when you came to my baby shower, we were both pregnant at the same time with both of our kids (how ironic). We have been knowing each other since middle school and you will be forever missed by me and my family.

Brandi Jefferson - December 02, 2010 at 08:46 AM

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YOU WILL BE TRULY MISSED YANNIE. I ALWAYS TOLD YOU HOW PRETTY YOU WERE AND YOU ALWAYS DRESSED SO NICE. YOU WERE A GREAT MOM, WOMAN, AND FRIEND. AND YOU KNOW YOU WERE THE ONLY ONE THAT I WOULD EVER LET DESIGN MY NAILS, IF YOU WEREN'T THERE..OH NOPE! NO DESIGN..LOL..THATS HOW I STARTED PAINTING MY OWN..LEARNED FROM YOU GURLLL..REST IN PEACE DOLL..LOVE ANGIEBYRD..

ANGIE BYRD - December 02, 2010 at 05:51 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - November 30, 2010 at 04:10 PM