



Michelle LaChae Rawlings

March 16, 1993 - December 31, 2018

Our Sunflower's Story

Michelle La`Chae Rawlings, a loving twin, loving sister, niece, granddaughter, aunt, cousin, friend, basketball coach, Mental Health Counselor, and Foster-Care case worker unexpectedly departed this life on December 31, 2018 at her home in Richmond, Virginia. Michelle was born a twin on March 16, 1993 in Richmond, Virginia to proud parents, Michael and Brenda Rawlings.

Michelle (also known as Sunni and La 'Belle) was beautiful, vibrant and full of life. She brought sunshine to all who were ever in her presence.

Michelle received her elementary education in the Henrico Public School system. She received her Secondary education at Varina High School. She then went on to receive her Baccalaureate Degree in Psychology at Norfolk State University in Norfolk, Virginia. Michelle was in pursuit of her master's degree while also advancing in her modeling career.

Upon graduating from Norfolk State, Michelle immediately began what she believed to be her God ordained purpose in life which was to help mentor, minister, and support the youth of her community. Michelle also worked as an assistant coach in Hanover Public School for 3 years. She worked as an Intensive In-Home counselor for disadvantaged youth. Upon her death she was a Foster Care Case Worker with First Home Care located here in

Richmond, Virginia and an assistant basketball coach for Atlee High School, in Hanover County.

Michelle loved her family gatherings, laughing and just enjoying life. She loved to dance with her twin sister while the rest of us looked on and laughed. She was the life of the party, and her smile lit up the entire room. She was a motivator, good friend and listener.

Michelle accepted Christ in her life, and loved learning about the plans of God. She believed in Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you declares the LORD."

Michelle was preceded in death by her grandfathers Charles H. Gray, Jr. and Edward J. Williams, grandmother Maggie Williams and great-grandmother Jersey Bell Rawlings. Michelle is survived and cherished by her loving parents, Michael (Alanda) and Brenda Rawlings; siblings, Nicole Rawlings (twin sister), Michael Timothy II, Lekisha Walker (Shawn), Kevin Martin, and Taylor Rawlings; grandmother, Carolyn Rawlings; hosts of aunts, uncles, niece, Neah Shaw; nephews, Xavier Walker, Kamden Walker and Kamari Martin, and a host of other relatives and friends. Michelle had a special bond with her aunt Turquoise whom she loved as a "bonus mom" and her cousins Ty'Khari, Charity, Timothy, Antwon, Tyrone, Chris, Jada, Ta'Khyra, Ta'Kayla, Ebony and Leo whom she cherished as brothers and sisters: and may others who had a special place in her heart. She had a special love for Godmother Constance Powell and Auntie Tricia West and her new sister-in-Christ, Nichelle Finney.

We say rest in peace Michelle, We love you very much. Words can't express our love for you. Michelle, you departed this life in victory. 1 Corinthians 15:54-57 says "when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is

written, DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. "Michelle, you pursued and you WON. We love you! You were truly our sunflower and our Angel. A jewel in the Kingdom of God and on earth.

The Family

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 7. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Celebration of Life

JAN 8. 12:00 PM (ET)

City Church
4700 Oakleys lane
Richmond, VA 23231

Tribute Wall



“ *Michelle LaChae Rawlings*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. Always put God first, and you will always be alright. C. Lacy.*



C. Lacy - January 14, 2019 at 11:54 AM



“ *To the Rawlings Family. I am sorry to read about the passing of your loved one. Even though Michelle's life was cut short, she covered a few roads sharing her love with others. I know each of you have many fond memories to reflect upon. Cherish those memories until your meet again as you continue to put strong faith in the wonderful resurrection hope that God has set before each of us. No matter the length of time our love ones have been with us, there is still a great void in our life. So family may you find comfort in Our Heavenly Father as he wrap his loving arms around each of you.*

I will certainly keep each of you lifted in prayer.

Eloise Smith - January 11, 2019 at 08:42 AM

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“ To The family Of Michelle Rawlings! I did not know Michelle, but reading about all the good things she did for our young people touched my heart! Praying you will find comfort in knowing she did more on earth in her young years than most people do in a lifetime! I will keep the family lifted up in prayer. She is your Guardian Angel now watching over each of you from her heavenly Home with our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! With Love, Nancy J. Broadie, Henrico, Va.

Nancy J. Broadie - January 08, 2019 at 08:28 AM

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“ Michelle will always remain in my heart as an exceptional and beautiful person. She completed her college internship with me in Norfolk, Va. In doing so she developed skills and talents that carried her into many facets of her career. Michelle proved that her life was not lived in vain. She was able to give more than she received to most. I can truly say with a sad heart that I will miss Michelle. I hope that her family will trust and ask God for the strength that is needed at this time.

Ms. Fitchett - January 07, 2019 at 03:16 PM

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“ SOR Field purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Michelle LaChae Rawlings.



SOR Field - January 07, 2019 at 12:54 PM

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“ To the Rawlings family, my thoughts and prayers are with you, God bless each of you. hopefully fond memories will carry you through this difficult time.



Loretta Adkins - January 06, 2019 at 09:47 PM

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“ Words cannot express how deeply sorry we are to hear about Michelle. We offer our deepest sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. May your beautiful memories sustain and bring comfort to you during this difficult season.



Al & Pam Garner
Gloucester Va.

Angus "Al" Garner - January 06, 2019 at 08:46 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Michelle LaChae Rawlings.



January 06, 2019 at 03:39 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 - January 04, 2019 at 05:43 PM