

## *The Chord*

by Author Unknown

We are connected, my child and I,  
by an invisible cord not seen by the eye  
It's not like the cord that connects us 'til birth,  
This cord can't be seen by any on earth  
This cord does its work right from the start  
It binds us together, attached to my heart  
I know that it's there, though no one can see  
The invisible cord from my child to me  
The strength of this cord is hard to describe  
It can't be destroyed, it can't be denied  
It's stronger than any cord man could create  
it withstands the test, can hold any weight  
And though you are gone, and not here with me  
The cord is still there, but no one can see  
It pulls at my heart, I am bruised, I am sore  
But this cord is my lifeline as never before  
I am thankful that God connects us this way  
A mother and child, death can't take it away

*Harrisburg*  
FUNERAL & CREMATION

## *In Loving Memory of* **Kareem Nasir Long**



**Sunrise**  
**December 9, 2020**

**Sunset**  
**April 27, 2023**

**Sunday, May 7, 2023**  
**Visitation: 1:00 P.M.**  
**Funeral Service: 2:00 P.M.**

**Raymer-Kepner Chapel**  
**16901 Old Statesville Road**  
**Huntersville, NC 28078**

## Obituary

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Kareem Nasir Long, who tragically passed away too young on April 27, 2023, in Charlotte, NC. He was born on December 9, 2020, also in Charlotte where he spent his entire life surrounded by his loving family.

Kareem touched the hearts of everyone he met with his kind spirit and infectious smile. His favorite song was BINGO and his favorite word words were mommy, daddy, okay and I love you. He was blessed to be cared for by so many great doctors and nurses. Kareem's favorite home health nurse was Frances Smith. He gave her the nickname "ya ya".

Kareem is survived by his mother LeNitra McCarter and father Shireak Long. Kareem was loved by so many including; his maternal grandparents Dawn Loudermilk, Lewis McCarter and Selena McCarter, paternal grandparents Nicole Redfern, Aries Long and JoAnn Johnson, great grandparents Charles and Nannie Loudermilk, Anita Redfern and Andrea Witherspoon, aunts Brandy McCarter, Mariah Glenn, Asia Long, Zaniah Long and M'kaylen Redfern, his uncles Javan McCarthy, Junior McCarter, and Ashton Long-Johnson. Although his time with us was brief, he brought immense joy to their lives that cannot be measured.



## Order of Service

*Reverend Sheldon Davis Officiating*

Opening /Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Sheldon Davis
<i>We Fall Down</i>	Donnie McMclurkin
Scripture Reading	Psalm 23 John 14:1-6
<i>U-Know Part 2</i>	Anointed Pace Sisters
Moments of Reflection	Kareem's Parents
<i>Goin' Up Yonder</i>	Tramine Hawkins
Words of Comfort	Rev. Sheldon Davis
<i>Melodies From Heaven</i>	Kirk Franklin
<i>Dreaming of You</i>	Selena
Closing Prayer	Elder Nanni Loudermilk
Benediction	Rev. Sheldon Davis
<i>BINGO Song</i>	Cedarmont Kids

