

*The Gates  
Have Opened*



**"Ja Ja"**

*Jasmine Ray*

*Rainey*

First Breathe ~  
September 11, 2000

Last Smile ~  
October 29, 2023

*Celebrating the  
Life and Spirit*

*Celebration Service*

Saturday ~ November 11, 2023  
At 11:00 AM

*Williams Memorial  
Chapel*

712 North Avenue C  
Elgin, Texas 78621

Reverend Steven Ward,  
Officiating

In Loving Memory  
of our  
*Wonderful Auntie*

Of all the special gifts in life  
however great or small,  
to have you as our Auntie  
was the greatest gift of all.

May the winds of love blow softly  
and whisper in your ear  
"We love and miss you Auntie  
and wish that you were here"

Deep in our hearts, your life is kept to love and cherish,  
not forget. No more tomorrows we can share  
but yesterdays are always there.

A silent thought, a secret tear  
keeps your memory ever near  
in our hearts forever.

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Her laughter echoed like a gentle breeze,  
Her spirit danced among the swaying trees.  
In her presence, joy would always bloom,  
Her warmth lit up every room.

With twinkling eyes and a radiant smile,  
She embraced life's journey, mile after mile.  
Her love for others knew no bounds,  
In her embrace, solace could be found.

But now she's taken her place among the stars,  
Leaving behind a world scarred by her  
departure.  
We gather here, united in our grief,  
Seeking solace, seeking relief.

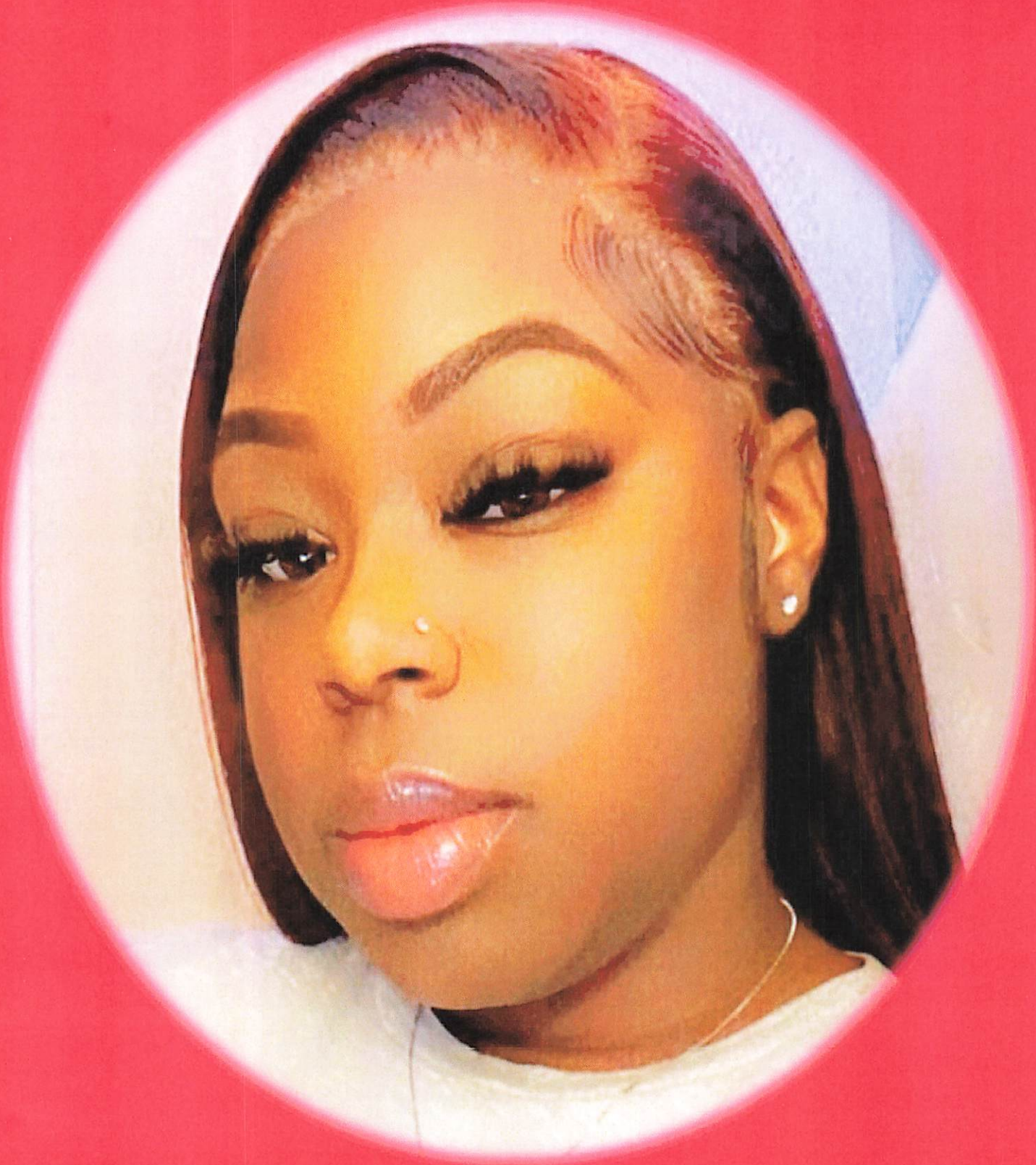
Let us remember the love she shared,  
The moments of joy, the way she cared.  
In our hearts, her memory will reside,  
A beacon of love, forever by our side.

Though tears may fall and hearts may ache,  
Her spirit lives on, never to forsake.  
In the depths of sorrow, we find strength,  
To honor her life, we'll go to any length.

For Jasmine R. Rainey, we light a candle bright,  
Guiding her soul towards eternal light.  
In times of sorrow, we'll stand as one,  
Supporting each other until the battle is won.

So let us gather, hearts intertwined,  
In this moment of loss, we'll find peace of  
mind.  
For Jasmine's spirit, forever will remain,  
A cherished presence, an eternal flame.





*Jasmine Ray Rainey*  
*2000 - 2023*

# Ja Ja's Smile

*Though your smile is gone forever, and your hand we cannot touch, we still have many memories of the Ja Ja, we love so much. Her memory is our keepsake, with which we'll never part. God has her in His keeping, we have her in our heart.  
Sadly missed, but never forgotten...*

On September 11, 2000, in the city of Austin, Texas, Deshandrick Mitchell and Edward Rainey were given the charge to be parents to a beautiful baby girl, whom they named **Jasmine Ray Rainey**, sweetly known as "Ja Ja".

Jasmine attended the public schools of AISD. She obtained her education foundation from Oak Spring Elementary School then to Bedichek Middle School, moving up the ladder, she graduate from Aikens High School in 2019. Jasmine took advantage of every opportunity to get a good job, working and maintaining life skills. She was employed by the Social Security Administration, in the Disability Determination Services department at the time of her death.

Although Jasmine had no children of her own – she claimed Ashton, Kayden, Khalil, and Trinity, as hers, and they loved her dearly.

Jasmine lived her life as a vibrant young lady, strong-willed, which grew stronger with each episode that arose in her life. Sometimes called the 'big boss', Jasmine was a strong-minded young lady with a direct point of view. She was a joker and lover of riddles, very neat, funny with a great sense of humor...she loved her family and friends, giving them, their own personal nickname.

*"I am tired..."*

Jasmine departed this life at the age of 23, on Sunday, October 29, 2023, with her family and friends surrounding her bedside, knowing this was not 'goodbye but we will see you later'. Ja Ja will be joining her great aunt, Debra Boyd.

Ja Ja's beautiful life will forever be cherished in the lives of her biological father, Edward Rainey; her mother and father, Deshandrick Tisdale and Lee 'NookNae' Tisdale of Manor, Texas; sisters, Desiree Mitchell of Austin, Ealliyah Rainey of San Antonio, and Ashley Tisdale of Austin; brothers, Kishan Tisdale, Andrew Tisdale, Tyler Tisdale all of Austin, and Lee Tisdale of Tulsa, Oklahoma; maternal grandparents, Kay Francis Boyd of Austin, Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Sammie Lee Mitchell, retired, and his wife, Pauline, of Lawton, Oklahoma; fraternal grandmother, Alice Harris of Austin; four generations of uncles and aunts; a second mom, (great aunt) Karen Williams of Austin; her precious Godchildren, Ashton, Kayden, Khalil, Trinity; a special cousin, Daphane Williams; and a host of other relatives and friends.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS were a priority in her life. **Ja Ja** loved her family and family time was important to her. She was dependable and was loved by all who knew her. One activity in life she loved was dancing and we can imagine her now as she dances through the Pearly Gates and down the Heavenly streets of gold in that place we call Heaven. We lift our voices and say: "thank you Lord for loaning **Ja Ja** to us for the seasons allotted to her". We are the better because **Ja Ja** came this way.

**Ja Ja** is loved

**Ja Ja** will be missed

But **Ja Ja** will never be forgotten.....



# *Order of Service*

*I am young but strong enough to withstand anything that comes my way,  
I'm old enough to stretch forth my hands to the creator and cry –  
'Lord here am I...'*

Memorial Gathering	10:00 AM – 11:00 AM
Processional	Clergy, Casket Bearers, and Family
Congregational Song	Victory Is Mine
Scripture Readings	
Old Testament	Reverend Steven Ward
New Testament	Reverend Steven Ward
Prayer of Comfort	Deacon Byron Mitchell
Celebration Song	Deacon Byron Mitchell
Church Tribute (Resolutions)	Mount Moriah Baptist Church
Inspirational Tribute (Poem)	Kenyatta Johnson
Expressions of Love	Two Minutes, Please
Inspirational Solo	Deacon Byron Mitchell
Celebration Message	Reverend Steven Ward
Closing Remarks	Kellyn Grigson, Funeral Director
Committal	Reverend Steven Ward
Recessional	Clergy, Casket Bearers, and Family

## Dove and Balloon Release Ceremonies

Presented by  
Friends of Honor

*Ja Ja, your wings were ready,  
But our hearts were not...  
Fly high, my darling, fly high...*

## *My Dearest Daughter, Jasmine.*

A daughter is a wonderful blessing,  
A treasure from above.  
She's laughter, warmth, and special charm, she's thoughtfulness and love.  
That comes from deep inside.  
And as she grows to adulthood, she fills your heart with pride.  
With every year that passes, she's more special than before.  
Through every stage, through every age, you love her even more.  
No words can describe the warm memories,  
The pride and gratitude, too.  
That comes from having a daughter,  
To love and to cherish... just like you!

I Love You,

Mom

## *Our Sister*

We are blessed to call you sister,  
we also call you friend.  
You've loved us unconditionally  
and stood through thick and thin.  
You've shared our joys and sorrows,  
our laughter, and our tears.  
You've been our inspiration,  
as we grew up through the years.  
We laughed and played together;  
then growing up you stood by us,  
Through good and stormy weather.  
There's something God has given us,  
that's more than family;  
He's placed a love for you, our Sister,  
Deep down in the heart of us.  
Love forever,

Your Siblings

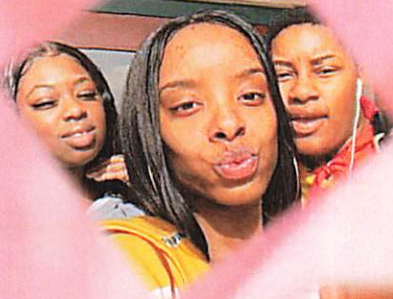
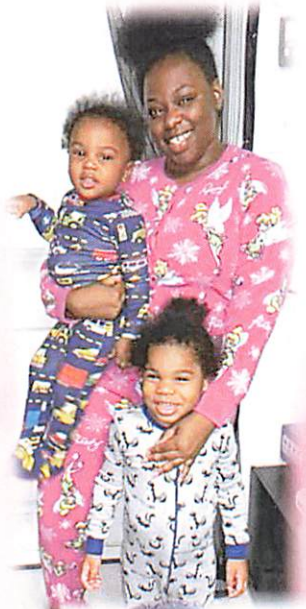
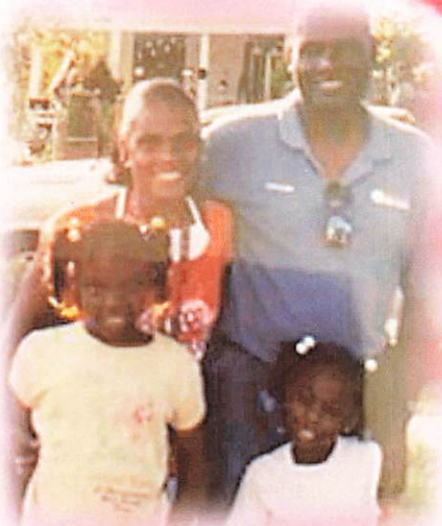


## *"Call Home"*

The Lord our "God"  
He comes like a thief in the "night",  
when He called Jasmine, for her final "flight".

The Lord will call many more "Home".  
It could be someone close or someone you've  
"known". It could be your loving sister or brother,  
even your darling mother. Don't leave out your  
very best "friend" on this day your journey "begin".  
To meet our maker "face to face", Lord we thank  
you for Your "Mercy and Grace".  
We have to keep our heads up and stay strong.  
The Lord our God did nothing wrong. When He  
called my (*Naenook*) Jasmine home.  
I'm here now standing tall, all the way til I get my  
call. We already knew the mighty Father ain't  
nearly through.  
Jasmine, we will all get our call just like you. We  
will be in a better place, hanging out with the  
Lord's crew.  
The Lord our God, makes no mistakes, waiting on  
you at the Pearly Gates. We'll be singing that song,  
"Oh How Great".

Your *Nooknae* Forever



## *Friends of Honor*

Andre Mitchell  
Tony Ponder  
Zion Pendergrass  
Trey Hutchinson

Dandre Williams  
Kelvin Holmes  
Kishan Tisdale  
Tyler Tisdale

## *Acknowledgements*

We are profoundly grateful for every expression of love and concern extended to us during the illness and passing of our Jasmine. We have been comforted by your prayers, visits, telephone calls, flowers, and other thoughtful deeds. It is our sincere prayer that all of God's richest blessings will be showered on you in unlimited measure. May God continue to richly bless you.

~ Jasmine's Family

*With Love and Appreciation*

*Interment*

Private

*Arrangements Entrusted to*



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*Service and Compassion from a Family that Genuinely Cares*

We are deeply mindful of the confidence, you have placed in us, and we sincerely hope that our services have been satisfactory and comforting to you.

Most Respectfully,

Josh and Jamie Hausladen and Staff

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