



Mom

Mom Mom Tonya was an amazing grandmother. She always tried to keep everyone happy and excited when she was here at our house or on earth. I will remember her for as long as I am alive on earth. I believe she is doing fine in heaven with my ancestors and above all, God.

- Yuri

Mom Mom Tonya, I love you so much. And I will miss you so much. And have some waffles in heaven for me.

- Santana

I love you, Mom Mom. I love everything about you. I love your personality, how you never cared about what anybody thought. I miss seeing your beautiful face. I miss laying in the bed together and watching scary movies and eating junk food. I miss our private time together. It was fun getting in Matu's truck and just driving around. I miss you so much and every day I think about you. I would do anything just to see you one more time. Now you are in a better place with God. I will always love you forever.

- Giovani

We laugh, we cry, we make time fly, best friends we, my sister and me.

- Lovingly, Your Sister, Gail



Pallbearers & Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

The family of Tonya Marie Egleton-Hayden would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.

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In Loving Memory of



Tonya Marie
EGLETON-HAYDEN

Sunrise

August 26, 1960

Sunset

May 10, 2023

Saturday, May 20, 2023

3:00 PM

G. CHOICE FUNERAL CHAPEL, INC.

2530 North Broad Street

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19132

Minister Sarah Ashley Andrews, Officiant

Obituary

Tonya Marie Egleton-Hayden, the late daughter of Richard and Barbara Merriweather, was born August 26, 1960, in Philadelphia, PA. She was the eldest of three children. Tonya departed this life on May 10, 2023.

Tonya was educated in the Philadelphia school system and graduated from Martin Luther King High School in 1978 and attended Harcum College and Beaver College and obtained her associate's degree in 1980. She then went into the field of human resources. The last five years of her life were spent lovingly caring for her mother, Barbara Ann, and her late father, Richard Morris Merriweather who passed May 10, 2020.

Tonya married Anthony Egleton, and from that union, her daughter, Jocelyn Renee Egleton, was born on June 12, 1981. In April 2000, Tonya met the love of her life and husband, Randy McCoy Hayden, and her stepdaughter, Xzavia Hayden. Tonya and Randy married on June 26, 2004. Their marriage lasted a beautiful 19 years.

Tonya was always the life of the party, she enjoyed traveling to San Diego, CA, to visit her daughters, Jocelyn and Stephanie, and grandsons, Giovanni Luca, Yuri Cree, and Santana Ambrose Egleton. She loved music, technology, and fashion and designer clothes. As many will tell you, "Tonya stayed fly!" She also enjoyed going to comedy shows, concerts, Philly's old school hangout spots, and eating out with her sister and her best girlfriends who she had over 30 years of friendship with. Tonya maintained great relationships with everyone and was consistently loyal and there for any and every one. If you knew Tonya, then you knew her heart and that she was always solid.

Tonya leaves a legacy of love to cherish her memory with her husband, Randy McCoy; only child, Jocelyn (Stephanie Stratton-Egleton); stepdaughter, Xzavia Hayden; grandchildren, Giovanni Luca, Yuri Cree, Santana (Saint) Ambrose, and Miles Corvington; mother, Barbara Ann Merriweather and Gail Merriwether-Sibert (Jeffrey Sibert); nephew, James Evans, Jr.; brother, Ricky Merriweather (Tia-lynn Merriweather); and niece, Amina Merriweather.



Order of Service

Processional..... Minister Sarah Ashley Andrews

Selection..... *Goin' Up Yonder*, Maryta Fields-Powell

Prayer..... Minister Sarah Ashley Andrews

Selection

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament *Psalm 23*

New Testament *Matthew 11:28-30*

Obituary Reading/Three Letters from Grandson
Sheila Smith

Remarks..... *Two Minutes, Please*

Selection..... *The Storm is Over Now*, Maryta Fields-Powell

Eulogy..... Minister Sarah Ashley Andrews

Acknowledgements.... Staff at G. Choice Funeral Chapel, Inc.

Benediction & Recessional

Interment

Private

Repast

Taj Mahal

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