



Cassandra Blasingame

January 11, 2019

Homegoing Celebration

In Loving Memory Cassandra Yvette Brown - Blasingame Sunrise: December 26th, 1966 – Sunset: January 11th, 2019

Saturday January 19th, 2019 Visitation: 10:30 AM Funeral: 11:00 AM Estes Funeral Chapel 2210 Plymouth Ave. N Minneapolis, MN 55411

Order of Service

Song Selection.....Aretha Franklin – What a Friend we Have in Jesus

Master of Ceremonies.....Pastor Gene Martin

Prayer.....First Lady Josephine Martin

Scripture Reading..... Old and New Testament

Song Selection.....Joint Heirs with Christ Faith

Special Message.....Kecia Hayslett

Song Selection....Frankie Beverly & Maze – I Wanna Thank You

Reading of Obituary..... Kathy Martin

Resolutions and Remarks.....(2minutes)

Song Selection.....Joint Heirs with Christ Faith

Message of Comfort.....Pastor Gene Martin

Recessional..... Marvin Winans- Let the Church Say Amen

Obituary:

Cassandra Yvette Brown – Blasingame was born in Chicago Illinois on December 26th, 1966. She was the only child born to Yvonne and Walter Brown. She is preceded in death by her father Walter Brown and Uncles, Stephen, Rodney, and Maurice Cannon. Cassandra Yvette Brown – Blasingame attended Lowell – Longfellow Elementary School in Harvey Illinois, Thornridge High School in Dolton Illinois, and Eastern Illinois University in Charleston Illinois. Cassandra's passion in life was serving people. She worked 10 years for the Salvation Army as a floor coordinator and an additional 10 years working for various Catholic Charities shelter organizations such as, Bill Kelly House, The Exodus Hotel, and Higher Ground. Most recently, Cassandra spent 17 years working for ATS&R, an architectural firm in Golden Valley, MN. Cassandra leaves behind to cherish her memories, her mother Yvonne Brown of Glenwood Illinois. Two daughters Tanisha La'Shaun BrownBlasingame, and Roshandra Michelle Brown-Blasingame of Brooklyn Park, MN. And brother Iris Brown of Frisco Texas along with a host of other family and friends. Cassandra was extremely passionate and a dedicated supporter of building up people, especially women and children. She always made it her business to uplift everyone she met, even through her illnesses. Many would say she missed her calling as a comedian as she loved to make people laugh. She was always quick witted and cracking jokes. In the 90's she started the All-American Girls dance group which went on to be one of the first all-black dance teams to grace many of the parades in the Twin Cities area. As a part of her church she made sure all children had baskets on Easter Sunday and that friends and family day had plenty of food. She loved to host events with family and deemed herself the party planner. She wanted to make anyone's special day a memorable one. Her legacy will be her two daughters who she loved dearly and very giving nature.

Remarks:

Cassandra was not only my first cousin, she was my BFF. She is the only

person I could call morning, noon, or night; it didn't matter, she listened and gave great advice. Didn't have to worry about her telling my secrets or judging me. Very smart, intelligent, and to those that knew her; she was a natural comedian. You've earned your wings and your crown cousin. I'm here for your two heartbeats, your girls as you referred to them... this won't be easy but through God anything is possible. You put up a hell of a fight so its time you REST NOW... see you soon!

Your Cousin/BFF Rhonda

A man who has friends must himself be friendly, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. Proverbs 18:24 NKJV

Thank you, Cassandra, for being "THAT" friend! Always available to anyone who reached out... be it late night therapy sessions, and early morning pep talks, or an afternoon laugh fest, we could count on you, our SisterDiva! Even through social media, you knew how to make peoples hearts smile, and we are all forever grateful that you touched our lives and left us with these Blessed Memories. Love you forever, Your SisterDivas & The entire Thornridge Family

Mommy, Thank you! If nothing else but God was you were a constant in my life. Thank you for loving me on my worst days, teaching me how to survive, and be kind. You gave all of you to all of us, and I just want to say THANK YOU! -NeNe

Mom, There are no words, only tears. You fought the fight of your life, so well I thought you were invincible. I can't believe I have to wake up each day without you. Thank you for simply being there for me and bringing me this far. Goodbye for now, until we meet again. I love you always and forever! -RoRo

She is gone:

You can shed tears that she is gone, or you can smile because she has lived

You can close your eyes and pray that she will come back, or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see her, or you can be full of the love that you shared.

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live in yesterday. Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember her and only that she is gone, or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.

You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back, or you can do what she would have wanted:

Smile, Open your Eyes, Love, and Go On David Alexander Elder

Love Mom

Honorary Pallbearers:

Jonathan Hudson Iris Brown

Anthony Wallace Shaudie Iman

Rasheen Lindsey Keith Cannon Sr

Acknowledgements The family of Cassandra Yvette Brown-Blasingame sincerely appreciates each prayer, thought, and act of kindness in their time of

bereavement. You are the blessing that we need in this hour. It is not ours to question the judgment of the Lord. The Lord gave, and we are grateful for his gift. The Lord took away, and we are grateful for the sweet manner in which he did it. We cannot in good conscience ask for more. Blessed be the name of the Lord! - Tanisha, Roshandra, and Yvonne

Special Thanks to: Pastor Gene Martin and First Lady Josephine Martin Estes
Funeral Chapel
Embassy Suites Brooklyn Center MN

Repass immediately following services: Embassy Suites 6300 Earle Brown Dr.
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 19. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Deborah McClendon-Broome lit a candle in memory of Cassandra Blasingame*



Deborah McClendon-Broome - January 19, 2019 at 12:55 PM

DM

“ *Cassandra Brown-Blasingame you were one- of-a-kind!! As I think back on ALL the memories I have in my heart, of you..I am especially drawn to the everyday email conversations you Barbara and I used to have throughout our workday!! Boy we touched on some deep topics, and we even "stepped on the devils neck" a few times..LOL(inside joke). Somedays I would be laughing and smiling so hard my cheeks would be sore at the end of the day. FRFR. And to think...my co-workers thought I was just ALWAYS happy and smiling because I loved my job 🤔😅. As I reflect on those memories, what most stood out to me is how we always ended our conversations with.."Love ya Girls." I know you & Barbara and Fran are "Cuttin up" in Heaven. So until we meet again, Love Ya Girls!💖💖*

Deborah McClendon-Broome - January 19, 2019 at 12:54 PM



“ To the family of Cassandra Blasingame; I have known my sister for many years and she has always had such a sweet and caring spirit. Even in her time of going through she always gave me encouraging words. I will always cherish the laughter she shared and her thoughtfulness and unselfishness that she showed to me and many others. My prayers are definitely with the family. May God continue to strengthen you all as you prepare to say see later in that getting up morning!

Brunetta Biggerstaff - January 18, 2019 at 03:42 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Cassandra Blasingame.



January 17, 2019 at 03:54 PM



“ You my dear friend encouraged, motivated, and brought joy to my life. Although we were at a distance in travel, it hindered us from doing the things we talked about. But, it never stopped us from making the best of it our way. The Lord has taken you home because your journey here is complete. In a spritual way, I heard your voice say that it is beautiful, and that you were alright. Of course you are my Sis. I Will miss your jokes, and hangouts on the phone. You will always be my Best friend. Rest Love and enjoy your new journey....Cynthia Sharp



Cynthia Sharp - January 17, 2019 at 08:48 AM

DH

My lowell longfellow buddy who was so full of life and always made you laugh. She was so kind and whenever in town always visit with to get hair done at the salon just a jewel to be around. Gonna miss laughing with her . Love you Cass and rest on !!

Denise Henderson - January 19, 2019 at 09:32 AM

DG

*“ The love you unselfishly shared with your family and friends will forever be remembered. The smile you put on the faces of all those near and far did not go unnoticed. Your special heart has earned a special set of wings in a special place not made by man’s hands. You will be missed dearly! Rest on in peace my friend.
~Deana*



Deana Gilbert - January 16, 2019 at 10:06 PM



“ I remember you when we stayed over north we had so much food and desserts we couldn't barely get up the stairs and we laughed at each other but we made it going to miss your good spirit and how you put smiles on people face gonna miss you love you

Linda Hudson - January 16, 2019 at 08:16 PM

AJ

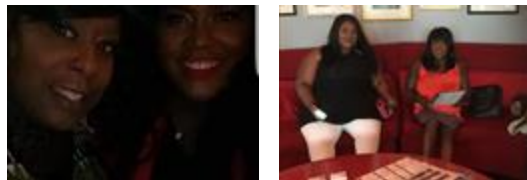
“ My Condolences To The Family, You Were Loved By All & You Will Truly Be Missed Cassandra, Love Always Until We Meet Again!



Antionette M. Jones - January 16, 2019 at 04:28 PM

RB

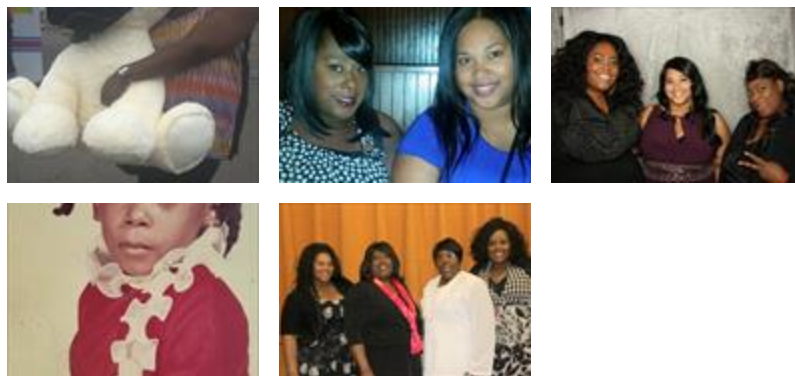
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Roshandra Brown - January 16, 2019 at 02:45 PM

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Roshandra Brown - January 16, 2019 at 02:44 PM

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Roshandra Brown - January 16, 2019 at 02:43 PM

ES

“ *Estes lit a candle in memory of Cassandra Blasingame*



Estes - January 16, 2019 at 11:55 AM