



# LaToya Merritt

January 20, 1990 - October 28, 2021

On January 20, 1990, in Talladega, Alabama, Mr. Jeffery Merritt and Mrs. Tunya Gooden Scott was blessed with the birth a beautiful baby girl named LaToya Shardae' Merritt.

LaToya received Christ at an early age when she united with Faith Temple Ministries where she was a member of the youth choir. Later in life, LaToya continued serving the Lord when she joined and began worshipping with A.G. M. Ministries under the leadership of Prophetess Adrian L. Garrett. She received her formal education in the Talladega City School System and was a graduate of Talladega High School. At the time of LaToya's demise, she was furthering her education at Strayer University in Birmingham, Alabama to receive her Associates degree in early childhood education. LaToya was currently employed as a shipping clerk with Amazon in Bessemer, Alabama.

On LaToya's journey through life, she became the proud, loving, and caring mother of three beautiful daughters, Ryleigh, Harmoni, and Kallani, who were her most prized possessions. LaToya enjoyed singing, dancing, and entertaining her family and friends. She had a sweet spirit and a heart filled with cheer and laughter, always making people laugh. Although being a devoted mother, student, and employee kept LaToya's daily schedule full, she always managed to find a little time to cook and bake, make candles, and watch her some shows on Netflix. LaToya's sweet spirit will truly be missed by all the lives she touched on her path though this earthly life.

On Thursday morning, October 28, 2021, LaToya's life journey and earthly home was traded for her eternal home due to domestic violence when she answered the Master's call, accepted her angelic wings and boarded the train to glory joining her grandmothers, Lillie Mae Merritt and Aaron and Lucy Mae Turner and uncle Cedric Player.

LaToya's loving and fun memories will forever be cherished by her three beautiful girls, Ryleigh Merritt, Harmoni Merritt and Kallani Merritt; her loving parents, Jeffery Merritt and Tunya (Wilbert) Scott; four sisters, Jessica Merritt, Tanesha Merritt, Alyssa Merritt and Trinity Scott; two brothers, Jeremiah Scott and Johnathan Scott; grandmother, Chaney

Mae Gooden; grandfather, Billy Joe Player; great-grandmother, Mazonia Garrett; three aunts, Nicole Harrison, Brandy Houston and Janet Reynolds; three uncles, Curtis Gooden, Jason Wallace, Cornado Wilson and Hal Merritt; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

**Lawler Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Public Viewing

NOV 5. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

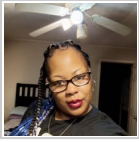
S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel  
217 Coosa St. E  
Talladega, AL 35160

### Celebration of Life

NOV 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kelly Springs Baptist Church  
351 Curry Station Road  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Le-Le Lawson sent a virtual gift in memory of LaToya Merritt*



Le-Le Lawson - November 06, 2021 at 02:21 PM



“ *Le-Le Lawson sent a virtual gift in memory of LaToya Merritt*



Le-Le Lawson - November 06, 2021 at 02:17 PM



“ *I'm sooooo lost for words right now, I will FOREVER keep ur name alive, Don't Worry about the girls, I GOT THEM, I promise!!!! I Love You baby girl..... FOREVER AND ALWAYS* 🎀❤️💪👩🏾👤🍫



Le-Le Lawson - November 06, 2021 at 02:11 PM

ME

“ *Meya lit a candle in memory of LaToya Merritt*



Meya - November 05, 2021 at 12:58 PM

TS

“ *Tosha Scott lit a candle in memory of LaToya Merritt*



Tosha Scott - November 05, 2021 at 06:56 AM

FS

“ You will be missed my friend. Although we didn't talk as much on the regular, we never skipped a beat when we saw each other. Your girls will live out your kindness and love you had for others. Fly high baby girl.



Frederica Santiago - November 04, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ Toya I love you and miss you soo much ... I wish all this could be fake and not true please watch over us when your kids 🤔😭 I will always remember your beautiful smile and funny laugh rest up baby

CM Blaq Plus Stylesz - November 04, 2021 at 12:52 PM

PC

“ Pamela Calhoun lit a candle in memory of LaToya Merritt



Pamela Calhoun - November 04, 2021 at 07:51 AM

LM

“ Lord knows I miss you so much the last time I saw you and the babies I told you I love y'all and I knowing that would be my last time hearing your voice are giving you a hug I wish I could hear your voice again I'm praying for your kids and your mom and dad , sister



lasheika mckenzie - November 03, 2021 at 12:22 PM

SS

“ I miss you so much. Our last words to each other was I love you. I wish this was all a dream I just want to hug you or hear your voice one more time. Praying for your family and the girls.



Stephanie Simonetti - November 03, 2021 at 12:04 PM

LP

“ *Sending up my prayers and condolences to her entire family!!She we're such a sweet spirit !Rest in Heaven Beautiful Angel.*



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**Lori Pope** - November 01, 2021 at 08:33 PM