

Saturday, September 9, 2023  
3:00 p.m.  
Tuckers Grove Church  
5982 Tucker's Grove Church Road  
Iron Station, North Carolina  
Reverend Marvin Caldwell, Pastor  
Officiating

## Order of Service

Opening Hymn	Choir
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament	Rev. Michael Hill
New Testament	Rev. Michael Hill
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. James Collins
Poem	Amy Gregory
Remarks (2 minute limit)	
Selection	Choir
Words of Comfort	Dr. Marvin Caldwell
Recessional	
Benediction	Dr. Marvin Caldwell
Flower Bearers	
Family and Friends	
Pall Bearers	
Family	
Interment	
Tuckers Grove Church Cemetery	
Iron Station, North Carolina	

### Remember Me

Remember me when I have gone away.  
Gone far away into a silent land.  
Nor I have turned to go, yet trying to stay,  
Remember me when no more, day by day.  
You tell me of our future that you've planned,  
Only remember me, you understand.  
It will be too to counsel then to pray,  
Yet, if you should forget me for a while,  
And afterward remember do not grieve,  
For if the darkness and corruption leave.  
A vestige of the thoughts that I once had,  
Better by far you should forget and smile,  
Than that should remember and be sad.

## When Great Trees Fall

Maya Angelou

When great trees fall,  
rocks on distant hills shudder,  
lions hunker down  
in tall grasses,  
and even elephants  
slumber after safety.

When great trees fall in forests,  
small things recoil into silence,  
their senses  
eroded beyond fear.

When great souls die,  
the air around us becomes  
light, rare, sterile.  
We breathe, briefly.  
Our eyes, briefly,  
see with  
a hurtful clarity.  
Our memory, suddenly sharpened,  
examines,  
gnaws on kind words  
unsaid,  
promised walks  
never taken.  
Great souls die and  
our reality, bound  
to them, takes leave of us.  
Our souls,  
dependent upon their nurture,  
now shrink, wizened.  
Our minds, formed  
and informed by their radiance,  
fall away.  
We are not so much maddened  
as reduced to the unutterable  
ignorance of dark, cold caves.

And when great souls die,  
after a period peace blooms,  
slowly and always  
irregularly. Spaces fill  
with a kind of  
soothing electric vibration.  
Our senses, restored, never  
to be the same, whisper to us.  
They existed. They existed.  
We can be. Be and be better.  
For they existed.

### Acknowledgement

Our family is deeply appreciative of the many acts of sympathy shown to us during our time of loss. We loved the beautiful floral pieces, sympathy cards, visits, meals, and all other acts of kindness, more importantly your presence today as warm expressions of love and concern. Thank you and may God bless you!

### Arrangements Were Entrusted to:

Gregory Funeral Service, Inc. | 601 North York Street  
Gastonia, North Carolina 28052 | 704-867-4364  
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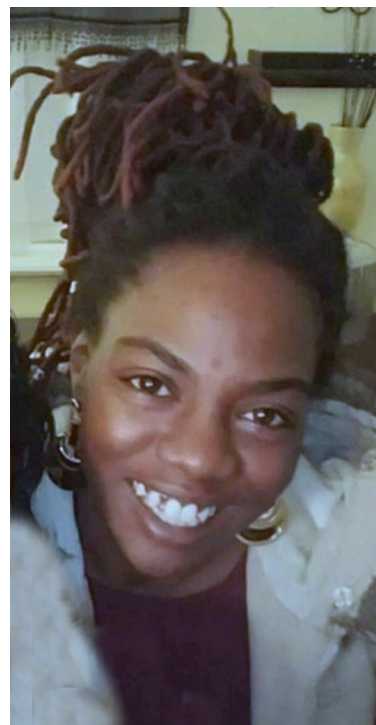
*A Beautiful Life  
Remembered*



*Te Asia*  
**Monaye Gregory**

God Smiled On Me  
April 9, 1989

God Set Me Free  
August 30, 2023



# Celebrating the Life of Tee-Tee

TeAsia Monaye Gregory was born on April 9, 1989 to Terry Smith and Kerry Gregory Rorie of Lincolnton, North Carolina. She was the oldest daughter of Kerry Rorie. In August 1992, Kerry and TeAsia moved to Charlotte, North Carolina. Shortly after the move, Kerry met her best friend and husband William Rorie, who helped her raise TeAsia from age 4. She had a younger sister who was also her best friend: Deonna as well as a sister Chiquita and brothers Terry Jr. Michael, Dezsmo, and DeAndre.

TeAsia was educated in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School System. While in middle school and high school, she attended the Mathematics and Science Education Network pre-college program at the University of NC at Charlotte (UNCC) on Saturdays, further equipping her with education and knowledge for college. During her high school years, TeAsia was a part of the Cosmetology Program at West Charlotte High School. At the completion of her high school curriculum, she graduated from West Charlotte High School, Class of 2007. After high school, she completed college course work at UNC Charlotte with a major in Psychology.

TeAsia's favorite things/hobbies were cooking, listening to music, reading, and writing. She enjoyed helping others in any way she could. She was always the person that jumped in and helped whenever she saw the need. TeAsia enjoyed going to her mama's house (Ma Dukes as she would call her), helping her with household chores, and doing her hair. She love fellowshipping with her family and friends, especially over food. She made sure her friends always had her mama's chicken salad! TeAsia had the recipe to her mama's chicken salad but said she love it more when mama made it. Her favorite professional basketball team was the Boston Celtics, and her favorite professional football team was the Carolina Panthers.

TeAsia was preceded in death by her great-great grandmother Nora Nixon, great-grandmother Ida Mae Gregory, great-grandmother Mary Reola Nichols McGill, grandmother Gracie Lee Smith, great-great grandmother Roxie Henry, and great-grandmother Janie Lois Henry.

She leaves to cherish her fondest memories of her mother, father, stepfather, youngest sister, extended family, grandmother Vivian Hall of Lincolnton, NC, dearest aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, other relatives and close friends: LaTavia, Brianna, Brittany, Courtney, Africa, and Christina plus several additional friends. TeAsia loved everyone, and she was loved by all. We will forever cherish the memories of her smile, contagious laugh, words of wisdom, spirit, and her love that she shared and celebrated during her 34 years of life.

TeAsia was a family person, and in a heartfelt text message on the evening of August 27, 2023 after attending the annual historical gathering of Tuckers Grove Camp Meeting, she sent a message to her Aunt Dale and stated that she lived for our legacy and that family coming together was important to her and she understood how much work it takes to have family gatherings.

