



**Picture me as I was, full of life and love. Although not with you now, I'm watching from above. I know how much you miss me, and I miss you too. It was my time to leave, as each of us will do. Although not in your arms, I'm always in your heart. The precious love we shared, means we're never far apart.**

*~"It's your girl Patrice"*

### *Pallbearers*

Jonathan Thomas  
Tony Wright  
Carlo Lopes  
Melvin Rigby  
Patrick Foy, Jr.  
Lee Black III  
James Caston III  
Larry Trey Reddick

### *Acknowledgements*

The family of Josette Patrice Wright wishes to express their sincere gratitude for all the prayers, support and kindness shown to them during their hour of bereavement. May God bless each of you.  
~ The Wright & Sweet Family

### *Repast*

Mills Pond Park Recreation Center  
2201 NW 9th Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

### *Psalms 23*

1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for-ever. Amen



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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



*Josette Patrice Wright*

FEBRUARY 17, 1968 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

Saturday 13th January 2024  
10:00 AM

**House of God Church Rock Island**  
2463 North West 20th Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

Reverend Shea L. Cunningham, Pastor



# Obituary

Today we bid farewell to the iconic radio personality, Josette “Patrice” Wright, whose voice resonated through the airwaves for decades.

Patrice was born on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 1968, to Audrea Kelly and Herbert Sweet in Fort Lauderdale, FL; however, she and her sister-cousin, Karen Lawton were raised by their maternal grandparents, Johnnie Mae Wright and Wallace Wright, Sr. in Orlando, FL. After graduating from Oak Ridge High School in 1985, she attended Valencia Community College on a full basketball scholarship. As her studies progressed, she found her niche in radio, and attended Bauder College, where she completed her Broadcast Communications Degree.

With a degree in communications under her belt, she landed her first job as an on-air personality for WRBD in Fort Lauderdale, before moving to Cox Radio Station Hot 105. After years of showcasing a deep passion for entertaining and informing, Patrice transferred her gift to CBS Radio B106.3 and X102.3, where she concluded her nearly 30-year career in radio. Known for her wit, charm, and unparalleled ability to connect with listeners, she left an unforgettable mark on the world of broadcasting. Her career presented opportunities for her to interview big names in Hip-Hop and R&B music such as Fat Joe, Faith Evans, Trey Songs and Amerie, to name a few. She also had the pleasure of meeting famous comedians like: Monique, Sommore, John Witherspoon, Lavell Crawford, Michael Blackson and many more. Her voice reached thousands of listeners across the airways for almost 30 years. As we mourn the loss of this beloved figure, we remember the joy she brought to countless lives and the lasting impact she had on the realm of radio.

Patrice, the esteemed radio personality, is survived by her devoted family and fondly remembered by friends. Among them is Tammie Simmons, a cherished companion for over 25 years. Together, they welcomed their beautiful daughter, Kennedy Simmons-Wright in September 2008. As a parent to Kennedy, Patrice imparted not only her boundless love but also a legacy of warmth, laughter, and unwavering support. Her influence extends beyond the airwaves, leaving an enduring imprint on Kennedy, who will forever cherish the memories and values passed down by her beloved Mom.

Patrice is predeceased by her parents, Audrea Kelly and Herbert Sweet Jr.; her grandparents, Johnnie Mae and Wallace Wright, Sr. and Louise and Herbert Sweet, Sr. She is survived by her daughter, Kennedy Simmons-Wright; her sisters, Shalonda (Lee) Montgomery, Karen (Yolanda) Lawton, Kimberly Kelly and Erin Dixon; special cousin/sister: Pamela Caston; her brother, Justin Padmore; her aunts, Shirley (Andrew) Sweet-Holston and Rita (Bernard) Willis; her uncles, Jerry Sweet Sr. and Terry Wright; 5 nieces; 3 nephews; and a host of many loving cousins, extended family, and loving friends.



## *In Loving Memory of My Mom*

*Mom, our lives are forever woven together.  
Everything we've shared and all you've done for me  
are a huge part of who I am. Having a close  
relationship with you was one of the best things ever,  
and even though you're gone, I'll never forget the  
stories you told me, the fun we had, or the amazing  
fun life you lived. I hope to live my life like you did,  
full of love, light, and happiness. I love and miss you,  
but I know you're watching over me, and I know I'll  
see you again one day.  
Love always, Kennedy.*

# Order Of Service

***Processional***  
Clergy and Family

***Prayer***  
Reverend Shea L. Cunningham

***Reading of God's Word***  
Old Testament-Minister Latisha Watkins  
New Testament-Minister Latisha Watkins

***Solo***  
Deaconess Roper

***Reflections***  
(Limit to 2 minutes)

***Acknowledgements***  
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***Selection***  
House of God Church Rock Island  
Music Ministry

***Words of Comfort***  
Pastor Chadwick Johnson  
The Rock Church FTL

***Final Glance***

***Recessional***