



### PALLBEARERS

**BRANDON SHUTE** FRANKLIN MIGHTY, JR. GEORGE MACK

CORTLIN HARRIS NEAL CASTILE GARRICK SHOWERLY

FLORAL ATTENDANTS FAMILY & FRIENDS

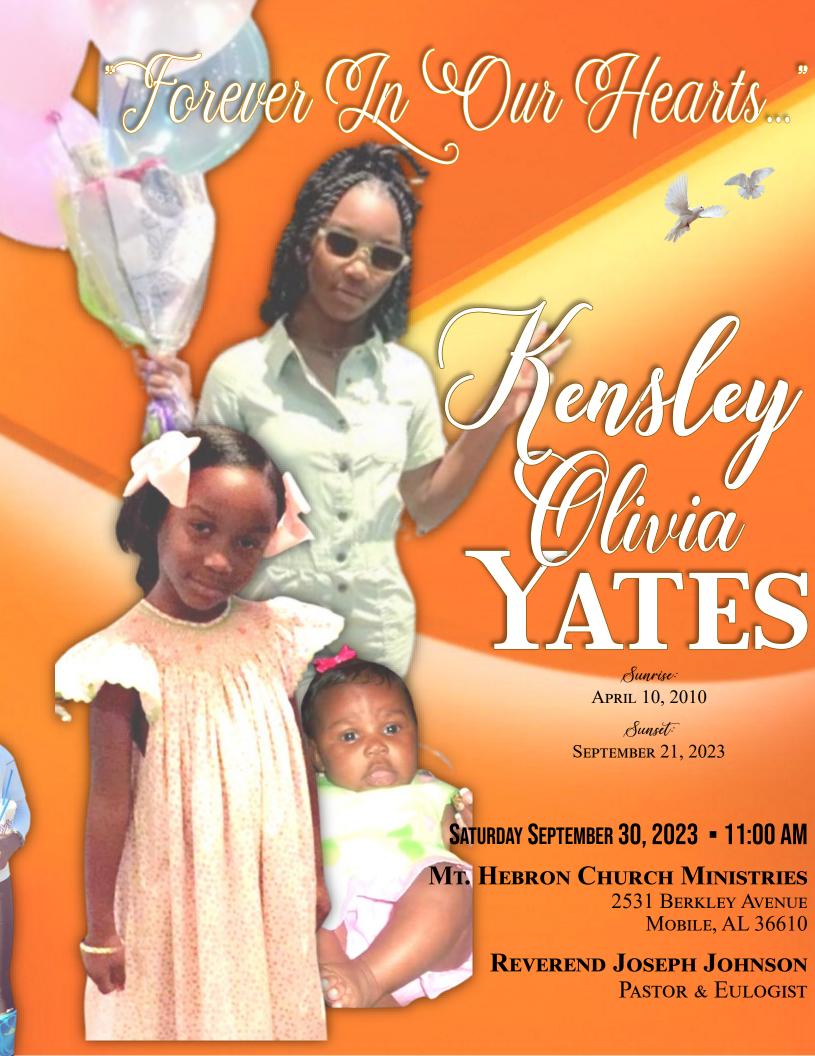
**INTERMENT** WHISPERING PINES CEMETERY CHEESEMAN AVENUE EIGHT MILE, AL

REPAST ~ Immediately Following Interment ~ TRI-CENTENNIAL PARK Tonlours Drive **MOBILE, AL 36617** 



We the family of the late Kensley Olivia Yates acknowledges with sincere gratitude that there are really no words to express our heartfelt thanks for all the sympathy and support during this most difficult time. We appreciate all the comforting messages, words of encouragement, texts, calls, visits and any other act of kindness shown in our time of bereavement. May god continue to bless each of you is our prayer.

> THE FINAL & MOST SACRED ARRANGEMENT IS ENTRUSTED TO: Samuel L. Jackson Mortuary, LTD 271 North Cody Road • Mobile, AL 36608 1-251-344-2800 Samuel L. Jackson, III - LFDIC www.samueljacksonmortuary.com



My Sweet Kensley ...



"I'm broken in a thousand pieces, how's a Mama's life to go on from here? I just don't know God, she was my best friend and was so very dear.

My Sweet Kensley always giving me compliments from the heart. Especially when I wore my blonde bob hairstyle with the middle part.

My Sweet Kensley I am going to miss asking you for, a BLT with extra bacon and orange juice, it

was my special treat, or me coming home from work to find my bed all made up so nice and neat.

My Sweet Kensley was so cute having her Mama's candles lit with a beautiful flickering light, and helping to flat iron my hair much to my delight.

My Sweet Kensley was my everything and more. As her Mama I had 13 years of greatness with my baby girl that I will always adore."

Gracious God, I Thank You. From Your Loving Mother,

Missing You Always...
"You never said I'm leaving
You never said goodbye,
You were gone before we knew it,
and only God knows why.

A million times I needed you A millions times I cried, if love alone could have saved you. You never would have died.

In life I loved you dearly In death I love you still, In my heart I hold a place That only you can fill.

It broke my heart to lose you But you didn't go alone, As part of me went with you The Day God took you home."

From Your Loving Grandmother,

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Kensley Olivia Yates, was a beloved daughter, sister, granddaughter, niece, cousin, classmate and an exceptional friend. Kensley, a native and resident of Prichard, Alabama was born April 10, 2010 to Latoya Mighty and Kenel Yates.

Kensley accepted Christ at the tender age of 9 years old at Cedar Street Baptist Church in Saraland, Alabama. She was a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at Calloway-Smith Middle School, where she was an A/B Honor Roll student. She developed a love for sports. Kensley later grew fond of soccer, where she excelled under the leadership of the Saraland Soccer team.

Kensley cherished her time with her family and adored her dog, Dakota. She enjoyed reminiscing over family photos, videos and reading books. She loved so many and was loved by so many more. Once you encountered her meek and gentle smile you would remember her for life. Her spirit, fierce love and tender concern for those around her will be dearly missed. She will continue to stay with us through memories and the love she displayed.

She was preceded in death by her great-great grandmother, Florence Wright-Williams; great grandparents, William (Irene) Mighty and L.C. (Ruby) Stewart; great-aunt, Hyacynth Mighty; great-uncles: Bernard Wright, Joseph and Winston Mighty.

Kensley leaves to cherish her precious memories, her loving and devoted parents, Latoya Mighty and Kenel Yates both of Mobile, AL; step-father, Kenston Howze, Sr.; eleven siblings: Landen Morris, Kenston and Kearston Howze, Kamiya, Karmen, Kemzyia and Kenmoni Yates, Courtnei Peters, Alexis and Alexae Pickett and Tyreak Holmes; her loving grand-parents, Franklin (Sheanary) Mighty, Debra (Geary) Adams, Kenel Stewart and Loretta Johnson; a loving great-grandmother, Lelia Elridge; great -grandfather, Jimmy (Lorraine) Elridge; loving aunts, Kishana (Neal) Castile, Franary (George) Mack, Nicki Williams and Nicole Williams; uncles: Franklin Mighty, Jr., Charles Yates, Bryant Denson and Richard (Vicki) Mighty; God-mothers: Crystal Harris and Jakayln Curtis; God-brothers: Cortlin Harris, Tavares and Javares Davis; God-sisters: Carlie Harris, Janae Davis and Bralei Shute; devoted cousins: Bentley, Captain and Meadow Castile, Ebony and Alexis Mighty and Lenix Jamison; her devoted Dog and friend, "Dakota"; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, other relatives, friends and extended family.



# Order of Celebration

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 • 11:00 AM
PASTOR LINDA JOHNSON, PRESIDING
MOUNT HEBRON CHURCH MINISTRIES

PROCESSIONAL Ministers & Family

## THE FINAL VIEWING & SEALING OF THE CASKET BIER

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

MUSICAL SELECTION......Mount Hebron Church Ministries Praise Team

#### THE READING OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

OLD TESTAMENT & NEW TESTAMENT Brother Christopher Eldridge

#### THE PRAYER OF COMFORT

Pastor Jason Todd

Praise Dance......Tracie Watson

## THE JOY OF KNOWING

Kensley Olivia Gates

## **EXPRESSIONS & REFLECTIONS**

"Please Limit Two Minutes"
Branie White ~ Nehemiah Freeman ~ Lededria Baker

Solo	Steve Davis
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & CARDS	Lauryn Crawford
OBITUARY "Read Silently"	Soft Music
MUSICAL SELECTION	Steve Davis
THE SPOKEN WORD	Pastor Joseph Johnson
Recessional	Samuel L. Jackson Mortuary <i>In Charge</i>



"As I sit in heaven...and watch you every day, I try to let you know with signs I never went away. I hear when you are lauging, and watch you as you sleep. I even place my arms around you To calm

you as you weep.

I see you wish the days away, begging to have me home. So I try to send you signs So you know you are not alone. Don't feel guilty that you have life that was denied to me. Heaven is Truly Beautiful, Just you wait and see.

So live your life, laugh again, enjoy yourself, be free! Then I Know with every breath you take you'll be taking one for me."

Your Loving Sister,

Kensley





