

The Order of Service

Processional and Final GlanceClergy and Family

Scripture Readings:

New Testament Reverend Curtis Vines

Old Testament..... Reverend Kenny Dowdell

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Otis Tyner, Jr.

Musical SelectionCorinne Bennett

Reflections of Love..... Two Minutes
Loved Ones of Janiah

Musical Selection Virginia Graham

Eulogy..... Reverend Otis Tyner, Jr.
Pastor, Mt. Pelia Missionary Baptist Church, Waverly, AL

Recessional



Niyah

*Niyah this is hard and very painful too
None of us are prepared to say good-bye to you.
Early that dreadful morning when the call came through
Our hearts were shattered to pieces.
When we received the news.*

*Tears were running down our faces, screaming, and shouting too.
LORD, help us PLEASE! This just can't be true!*

*There is no way to explain the pain.
We all felt inside, taken way too soon, and caught us by surprise.
This is going to hurt, Janiah, having to say good-bye!
Knowing that you're not alone and surrounded by others that also loved
you too!*

*Go spread your wings and fly baby girl
That's what Angels do!!!
We love you Janiah and will miss you too.*

From Your Hill Top Cousins



- *Pallbearers* -
Family and Friends

- *Floral Attendants* -
Family and Friends



- *Interment* -
Evergreen Cemetery
1409 Monroe Avenue
Opelika, AL 36801

- *Acknowledgment* -

The family of the late Ms. Janiah Nyasia Thomas acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers, and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each one of you.

IN MEMORIAM

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.

Final Arrangements Entrusted to:



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CELEBRATION
OF LIFE
FOR
"POCKET
BOOK"



Janiah

NYASIA THOMAS

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025 • 11:00 A.M.

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL
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REVEREND OTIS TYNER, JR., OFFICIATING



The Obituary

Ms. Janiah Thomas, affectionately known by many as “Pocket Book,” daughter of Mr. Christopher Thomas and Ms. Tanika Harper, was born March 2, 2003, in Jefferson County, Alabama.

Janiah was a graduate of Beaugard High School Class of 2021. She attended The Bridge Church in Opelika, Alabama. She enjoyed styling hair, and had her own unique way for making it look beautiful. Her generous spirit led her to lend a hand to anyone in need, counseling friends through tough times and always offering a shoulder to lean on.

Janiah’s love for babies was an expression of her nurturing soul. She had the magical touch that could soothe any infant. In her spare time, she enjoyed cooking, tasting, and creating delicious meals; seafood was among her favorite dishes.

On Sunday, July 13, 2025, she departed this life in Opelika, Alabama.

She leaves to cherish her memory: father, Christopher Thomas of Opelika, AL; mother, Tanika Harper of Opelika, AL; paternal grandfather, Richard Hall, Jr. of Atlanta, GA; paternal grandmother, Mattie Maddox of Opelika, AL; maternal grandfather, Herbert (Marcia) Harper of Atlanta, GA; maternal grandmother, Gloria Harper of Tuskegee, AL; one sister, Emari Moore of Opelika, AL; one uncle, Herbert Harper of Opelika, AL; two aunts, Alisha (Zarian) Thomas of Atlanta, GA and Anquanetta Harper of Auburn, AL; a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

I’m here not just as a grieving little sister, but as someone who deeply loved Niah. She held a special place in my heart and many others. Losing her so suddenly leaves a pain words can’t describe. She had a huge heart. She gave without hesitation and loved without needing anything in return. Her kindness never faded, even when life got hard. So, now I think of her as my angel, I may not see or hear her, but I feel her with me, especially in my hardest moments. Her love still guides me. So today, I say goodbye and thank you. Thank you Niah for loving without limits. I’ll carry your love with me always.

*Forever and always your little sister,
Emari Moore*

