



Pall Bearers

Neil McCrea
Jae McCrea
Michael McCrea
Robert Cowans
Steve Duncan
Pershad Hall



Acknowledgement

The family of Natalie wishes to extend thanks and appreciation to all whose prayers and kind expressions of sympathy have given us comfort in this time of bereavement.

Special thanks to Pastor Jeff Jefferson, Dr. Horace Russell, Pastor Dorrage Stephens, and the Victory Seventh-day Adventist Church family for hosting us.

Repass: 231 N. Macquesten Pkwy. Mt. Vernon, NY 10550
Internment: The Kensico Cemetary 273 Lakeview Ave. Valhalla, New York 10469



Celebrating The Life of
Natalie McCrea-Brown

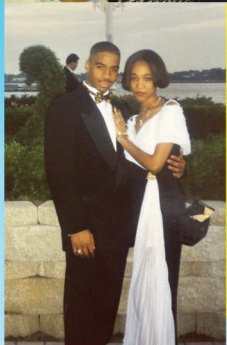
September 3, 1977 - June 9, 2025

June 29, 2025
Viewing:
Starts at 9am
Service: at 10am

Victory Seventh-day Adventist Church
1271 Burke Ave.
Bronx, New York 10467

Officiating Ministers:
Pastor Jeff Jefferson
Dr. Horace Russell
Dorrage Stephens
Dr. Hugh Maynard-Reid





Remembrance

On September 3, 1977, Angela and Milton welcomed Natalie to the McCrea family. She would undoubtedly bring them immense joy and pride. Natalie proved to be a force of strength and determination as a daughter, sister, wife, mother, cousin, aunt, friend, and an amazingly talented young woman. She loved to read, apart from the bible she read books on history, spirituality, and inspiration. She also loved to dance and watch movies.

She could be described as a woman of immense grace, strength, integrity, and beauty. God blessed her with wisdom and tenacity as she set out to achieve all she planned and prepared for. From an early age, Natalie placed great emphasis on her relationship with her Heavenly Father whom she relied on to guide her through her life's journey and decisions. She does nothing without praying about it first.

Her bible is always close with her and she travels with a little pocket bible. Sheldon can recall a trip to Japan where he left the pocket bible on the plane. She never said a word or got upset but gave a look that registered with him, that can never happen again.

The next major focus in Natalie's life was education. With this belief set in her heart, Natalie defied all odds and focused on fulfilling her dream of becoming a lawyer. She navigated uncharted waters and graduated with distinction.

After attending Alpha Girls Academy in Jamaica, she migrated to New York in 1992 and attended Harry S. Truman High School in the Bronx where she graduated in 1995. She then studied english and french at Lehman College which took her on an internship studying in France for one year. After Lehman, she went on to Syracuse Law School where she received her Law degree and passed the State Bar on the first go. She then did an internship with the



Face to Face

Face to face with Christ, my Savior,
Face to face—what will it be,
When with rapture I behold Him,
Jesus Christ who died for me?

Face to face I shall behold Him,
Far beyond the starry sky;
Face to face in all His glory,
I shall see Him by and by!

2
Only faintly now, I see Him,
With the darkling veil between,
But a blessed day is coming,
When His glory shall be seen.
3
What rejoicing in His presence,
When are banished grief and pain;
When the crooked ways are straightened,
And the dark things shall be plain.
4

Face to face! O blissful moment!
Face to face—to see and know;
Face to face with my Redeemer,
Jesus Christ who loves me so.

Hymns

Day by Day

Day by day, and with each passing moment,
Strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment,
I've no cause for worry or for fear.
He, whose heart is kind beyond all measure,
Gives unto each day what He deems best,
Lovingly its part of pain and pleasure,
Mingling toil with peace and rest.

2
Every day the Lord Himself is near me,
With a special mercy for each hour;
All my cares He fain would bear and cheer me,
He whose name is Counsellor and Pow'r.
The protection of His child and treasure
Is a charge that on Himself He laid;
"As thy days, thy strength shall be in measure,"
This the pledge to me He made.

3
Help me then, in every tribulation,
So to trust Thy promises, O Lord,
That I lose not faith's sweet consolation,
Offered me within Thy holy Word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting,
E'er to take, as from a father's hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting,
Till with Christ the Lord I stand.



Tributes

As kids, we lived together, we fought, we laughed, and we cried. We didn't always show the love that we both had inside. We shared our dreams and plans, and some secrets too. All the memories we share are what bond us together. We grew to find we have a love that is very strong today. It's a love shared by our family, you are my sister not by choice, but by nature of our birth. I could not have chosen a better one! Your brother, Neil

Order of Service

Prelude:
Processional:Ministers and Family
Opening Remarks:Pastor Jeff Jefferson
Opening Hymn:.....#206.....”Face To Face“Pastor Lincoln Smith
Opening Prayer:Pastor Lincoln Smith
First Scripture Reading: Isaiah 57:1-2Nyomi Grey
Musical Selection:Joanna Smith
Second Scripture Reading: Matthew 11:28Amani McCrea
Musical Selection:Simone Dunbar
Tributes:Jae McCrea
Tributes:Roxanne Cowans
Musical Selection:Dr. Miriam Smith
Tribute.....Dr. Shane Vidal
Open Tributes.....1-2 mins only
Acknowledgments:Victory SDA Church.....Eric Thomas
Remembrance:Neil McCrea
Musical Selection:Leslie Pitterson
Homily:Dr. Horace Russell
Prayer of Comfort:”Zoom”.....Dr. Hugh Maynard-Reid
Closing Hymn:#532....”Day By Day”.....Pastor Dorrage Stephens
Benediction:Elder Herbert Morgan
Final Viewing:
Recessional:..



Remembrance

Queen's Council in London which had her living in London for 6 months before completing her Master of Law degree in Washington DC. Natalie's professional accomplishments went beyond becoming a successful lawyer, she built a resume that included being an editor, author, advocate, and leader.

Natalie married Sheldon Brown in 2015. They have two beautiful and amazing children together in Tahj and Saphira. Her devotion to her children was incredible and indescribable. Sheldon can recall, to his shock and dismay her saying she does not want to have any kids and then to see the incredible mother she became. She would move heaven and earth for them, and she left no stone unturned when it came to their education. Their safety and security are never taken for granted and she prayed for them all the time. She taught them that love goes beyond material things but involves sacrifice and selfless devotion. Natalie's calm and gentle nature lives on in Tahj and her determination and courage live on in Saphira. Her dream and prayer for their future is that they are guided by God and filled with individual accomplishments.

Her humility and quiet demeanor were never a sign of weakness but of tremendous strength! The saying, "Quiet rivers run deep" could accurately reflect her character. She exhibited immense resilience and strength. Her integrity is beyond question. Her beautiful eyes could see deep into your heart. Her soft and tender voice could bring words of wisdom beyond her years and comfort you. She demonstrated an ancient deep spiritual soul wrapped in the most unique modern-day aesthetics. Unique she was, definitely a one-of-a-kind soul that you will meet. She possessed an angelic sincerity with a sweet smile that could melt away your worries. Her presence could fill your heart. She profoundly had an impact on many who have met her, and she will be missed in the physical but will live on in our hearts. We love you, Natalie.



