As we would walk into your room to say hello, we would often be met with the chuckles of your laughter that occurred as you were enjoying your tv shows especially the Young & the Restless and the Bold and the Beautiful. One thing for sure, Toya didn't miss a good tv show! Conversations with you brought a smile to our faces. You were more intelligent than people would probably realize. Your physical disabilities weren't who you were. You were a bright, humorous and articulate young woman that enjoyed her family. We're going to miss having those quick-witted exchanges with you that showed us, surely, there wasn't anything slow about Toya! God gave us the glimpse of hope that we needed to comfort us to a place of knowing that he still had his hand on you, no matter the circumstances. We praise God for the time that he allowed you to be with us, for that we are so grateful. Now, you never have to concern yourself about any sickness or stress, for you are now at a place of sweet rest with the Lord. No doctors, no nurses, no medicine, just you and your new glorified body joyfully to worshipping and praising the Savior that kept you with us. Hallelujah, thank you Jesus!

Love, Aunt Lil and the Terry Family of Philadelphia, PA

Splendour in the Grass By William Wordsworth, (1770-1850)

What though the radiance which was once so bright Be now for ever taken from my sight, Though nothing can bring back the hour Of splendour in the grass, of glory in the flower, We will grieve not, rather find Strength in what remains behind; In the primal sympathy Which having been must ever be; In the soothing thoughts that spring Out of human suffering; In the faith that looks through death, In years that bring the philosophic mind.

From your loving sister, Alice Terry

Flower Attendants Marlboro County High School Classmates

Pall Bearers Marlboro County High School Classmates

Acknowledgements

The family of Toya Denise Covington would like to thank each of you for every act of kindness shown to us during the passing of our loved one. We pray that God will continue to bless each of you.

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Obituary

Toya Denise Covington was born in Marlboro County, SC on May 5, 1970, to the late Arthur Covington, Jr., and Bernice Terry Covington. She departed to her eternal home on December 13, 2022. The last of five children. She was educated in the public school system of Marlboro County and completed twelve years at Marlboro County High School. In spite of her disability, her mom made sure that Toya received her education.

Toya was a member of Spears United Methodist Church which is now Trinity United Methodist Church.

Those who journeyed on before her was her parents Arthur Covington Jr. and Bernice Terry Covington; her sister Pearlie Frances Terry, her niece LaGuadia Terrika Jameace Terry; her aunt Susie Terry Ingram; her uncles Gary Terry and Alford Terry.

Toya leaves to cherish her memories her sister Alice Gertrude Terry of Philadelphia, PA, Randolph Charles Terry (Diane) of the home. Gary Covington (Teresa) of Philadelphia, PA; an aunt Lillian Terry of Philadelphia, PA; a special niece De'Jara Lamyra Takyerria Terry of the home. Keith Terry (Porsha) of Columbia, SC, niece Queshika Lucas (Shawn) of Bennettsville, SC Faunte' Margee of Daytona Beach, FL; sisters-in-law Mary Hayes of Dillon, SC; special cousin James Robert Ingram of Philadelphia, PA; nephews Allen Terry, Vincent Terry (Lillian) both of Philadelphia, PA, Doretha Williams (Ray), Angela Terry, LaKesha Terry, Debra Terry, Lougenia Robinson, and Sheila Brown all of Philadelphia, PA; special cousin Pearlie O'Neil, Mary Frances McCollum (Samuel), Carrie Funderburk (Marion), Gwen McArthur and Gloria Terry of Clio, SC, Neal C. Parnell (Adrial), Alford Terry Jr. of Philadelphia, PA Cora Dykes (Joe) Dunn, NC; special friends of the family James Clark (Helen) Bennettsville, SC, Roy Elen (Josephine) Dillon, SC and a host of other relatives and friends.



Order of Service

Rev. John L. York, Evans Metropolitan AME Zion Church Presiding

Processional	
Selection	You Are My Strength
Old Testament	Rev. James Smith, Greater St. James Missionary Baptist Church
New Testament	Rev. John L. York, Evans Metropolitan AME Zion Church
Prayer of Comfort	Rev. Lafayette Jackson Latter Reign Ministries
Selection	Silent Night
Acknowledgements	Morris Funeral Home Staff
Solo	Cyheim McRae
Eulogy	Rev. Judith A. Knox
Solo	Tayheem Cannady
Selection	Let The Church Say Amen
Recessional	

Committal and Interment New Zion A.M.E. Zion Church, Dillon, SC

Miss Me But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me I want no rites in a gloom-filled room. Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long and not with your head bowed low Remember the love that we once shared miss me-but let me go For this is a journey that we all must take, and each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan. A step on the road to home When you are lonely and sick of heart go to the friends we know Laugh at all the things we used to do. Miss me but let me go.

> Love you Toya Charles, Diane & De'Jara