

*The Order of Worship & Celebration*  
Reverend Kenneth Swann, Officiating

Processional .....	Clergy & Family
Lighting of the Candle.....	Elliot & Carter McAuley   Nephews
Musical Selection.....	Evangelist Tierra Martin
Words of Comfort .....	Brother Jasper Tymes Cameron Grove AME Zion Church
Prayer of Comfort .....	Reverend Kenneth Swann
Memorial Tributes .....	Mrs. Tedra O’Neal - Western Harnett High School Ms. Dawn Young – Overhills High School Mrs. Sherry Stover-Tillery - Zaxby’s - Sanford NC
Special Poem .....	Julia Pearson   Grandmother
Family Tribute .....	
Acknowledgments/Resolutions.....	Sister Helen Tymes
Pastoral Tribute .....	Reverend Kenneth Swann
Musical Selection.....	Evangelist Tierra Martin
Eulogy.....	Reverend Solomon McAuley   Uncle Pastor, Zion Hill AME Zion Church, Concord NC
Song of Victory .....	
Recessional .....	Morticians in Charge

*Committal & Interment*  
Cameron Grove AME Zion Church Cemetery

*Memorial Reflections*  
“Some people move our souls to dance.  
They awaken us to a new understanding with the passing whisper of their wisdom.  
Some people make the sky more beautiful to gaze upon.  
They stay in our lives for a while, leave footprints on our hearts  
And we are never, ever the same.” ©Flavia Weedn

Our lives were blessed on September 26, 2001, with the birth of our gift from God - **MISS SIERRA A’LESE MCLEAN**. She was the beloved daughter of Michael X. McLean and Latishea G. McAuley-McLean of Sanford, North Carolina.

**SIERRA** grew up in Salisbury, NC, where she formed an unbreakable bond with many friends and loved ones.

On September 13, 2015, **SIERRA** became a member of her family’s church, Cameron Grove AME Zion Church, Broadway NC - and she loved her pastor, Reverend Kenneth Swann! She was involved in Church School, the Youth Ministry, Acolyte Ministry and the Dance Ministry.

**SIERRA** matriculated through Western Harnett High School, Lillington, NC, where she was involved in art, band, chorus, and welding. On Tuesday, June 9, 2020, she completed her greatest accomplishment by graduating with her high school diploma.

Upon her transition, **SIERRA** was employed with Zaxby’s, Sanford NC, and BelFlex Staffing – Mountaire Farms of North Carolina.

**SIERRA** was funny, outgoing, and vivacious. Like most teenagers, she adored playing video games, listening to music, dancing, and drawing. She could often be found sketching art. She also loved the outdoors, especially playing basketball and enjoying her dog, Max. Most importantly, Sierra had a deep love for her family and cherished the time spent while playing jokes on each other at family gatherings and during the holidays. **SIERRA** touched the lives of so many with her brilliant personality and infectious smile.

On Monday afternoon, June 15, 2020, at WakeMed Hospital, Raleigh, NC, we sadly returned our precious gift to our heavenly Father. Her short life with us has left us a lifetime of memories. When you think of our **SIERRA**, we celebrate the good memories of her and cautiously remember that life is fragile and short. **SIERRA** has left us smiling through our tears.

**SIERRA** was preceded in death by her great-grandparents: Woodrow and Sarah McLean, Theodore and Lucille Gill, Wilbert and Mattie Hill Pearson, and Neal, Sr. and Ollie McAuley; her sister, Tyanna Williams; and her aunt, Marche’ McLean.

The sweet, precious memories of **SIERRA** will be cherished forever

by her parents, Michael X. McLean and Latishea G. McAuley-McLean; two brothers: Ronderrious McAuley (Latifia) and Jeremiah Smith of Broadway, NC; one sister: Antoinette McLean of Sanford, NC; her doting nephews, Elliot and Carter McAuley of Broadway NC; her nieces, Nadeja McLean, Heavenly Rollins, and Nasir Rollins of Sanford NC; paternal grandparents: Desi and Virginia Gill of Broadway NC; maternal grandparents: Macklin McAuley of Cameron, NC and Julia Pearson of Bennettsville SC; two uncles: Desi McLean of Broadway NC and Reverend Solomon McAuley of Concord NC; two aunts: Jennifer Forutune of Sanford NC and Michelle McAuley of Spring Lake NC; special cousins: Elease, Tyre’ and Kyle; her godparents, Tonya Alese Davis-Thompson, Bobby L. Thompson, Tonya Bland and Ronnie R. Johnson of Sanford, NC; her god-siblings, Jasmine (Joseph) Daniel and Ravon Davis of Clarksville, TN; Shauntae, Ayesda, and Kendrick Davis of Sanford, NC her honorary “moms;” Yolanda, Linda and Nakia; her “second family:” Katrina, Logan, Dozier, and Khiana of Salisbury NC; many great-aunts and great-uncles; her best friend, Khalis Stringer; and a host of cousins and friends.

*Missing You So  
Much Sierra*  
You left us broken-hearted, not knowing what to do,  
But now we find such comfort in memories of you.

The legacy you left us was of happiness and love,  
And that shines on forever from the glorious skies above.

You brought joy and beauty from the moment of your birth,  
Now in Heaven you’re an angel just as you were on earth.  
**Love Your Mom & Dad**

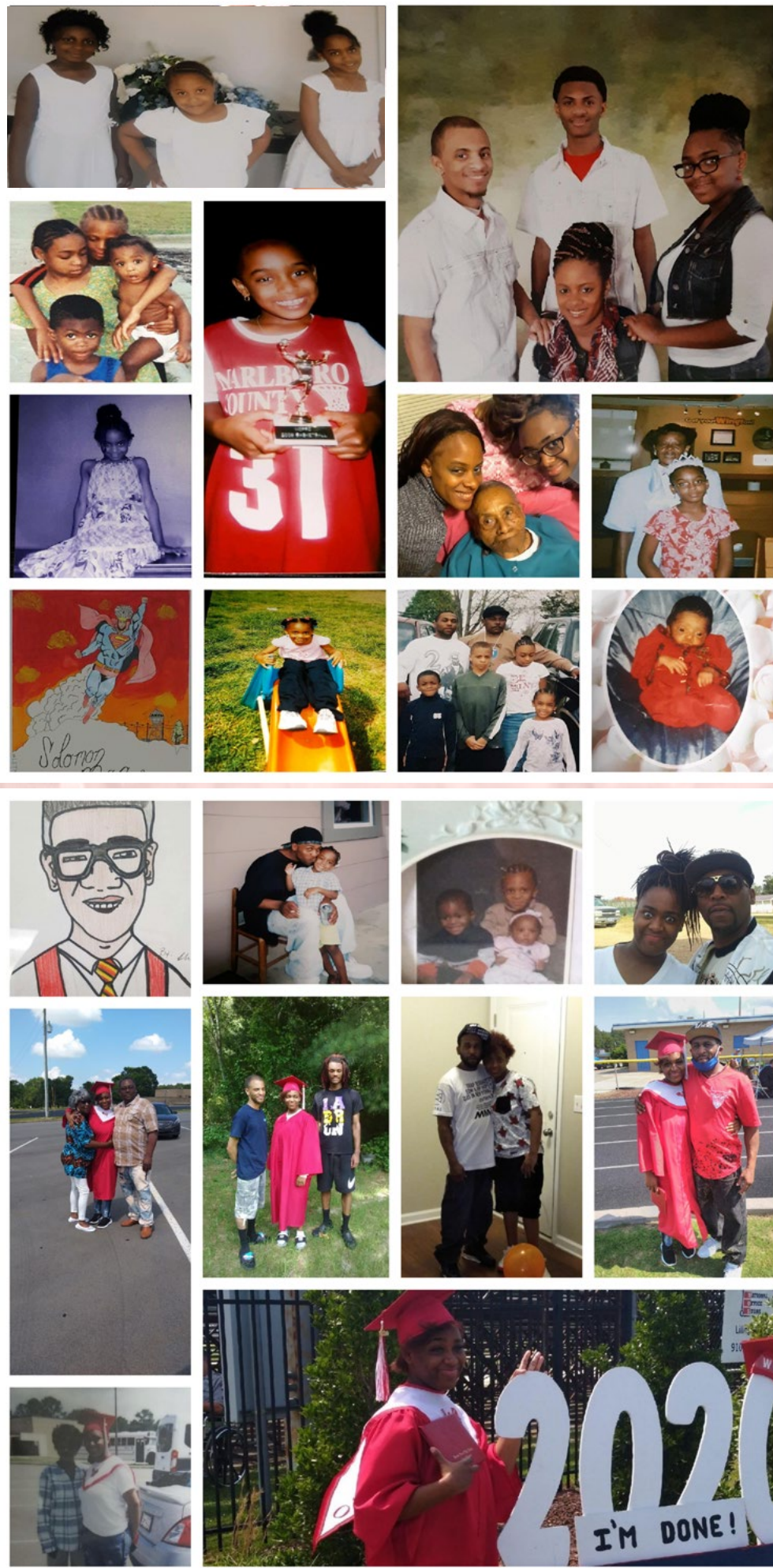
*You Never Said Goodbye*  
You never said I’m leaving, You never said goodbye.  
You were gone before I knew it, and only God knew why.

A million times I needed you, a million 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 you hold a place, That no one could ever fill.

It broke my heart to lose you, But you didn’t go alone  
For part of me went with you, The day God took you home.  
**Lovingly Submitted by  
Ronderrious, Jeremiah & Antoinette**





*Casket Bearers*  
Cousins

*Floral Couriers*  
Great Aunts & Cousins

### *Acknowledgments*

The family extends our sincere and heartfelt appreciation for all the loving cards, flowers, communications, and whatever the part you have played toward comforting us during our time of bereavement. Your prayers increased our faith and your encouraging words strengthened our hearts. Your kindness shall always be remembered!

We extend a very special thank you to the following: WakeMed Hospital, Raleigh; the Harnett County Sheriff's Department; Benhaven Emergency Services; Carolina Donor Services, Durham NC; Zaxby's and BelFlex Service (Mountaire Farms).



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FOR OUR GIFT

*Miss Sierra*  
*A'lese McLean*

HER DAYLIGHT: SEPTEMBER 26, 2001



HER TWILIGHT: JUNE 15, 2020

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020  
3:00 P.M.

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309 VERNON STREET  
BROADWAY NORTH CAROLINA

THE REVEREND KENNETH SWANN | PASTOR