

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Perhaps you sent a lovely card
or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent those
beautiful flowers,
that we saw sitting there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest
words, as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at
all, just thought of us that day.

Whatever you did to console
our hearts,
we thank you so much for
whatever part.

~ The Family ~

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To My Loving Niece Star

I know that you're shining in the
Heaven above like the Star that you are.
I know that you are smiling with that
beautiful smile watching over your
Mother, Brothers, and Sister. God must
have needed you more, but we needed
you as well. Your Uncle Brian Lewis
will be missing and praying for you
each and every day until we meet again.

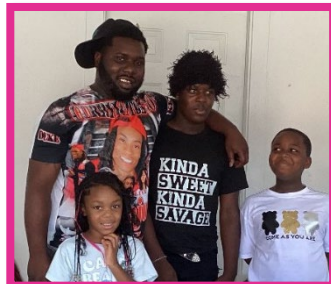
So, until then be your family's
Guardian Angel because baby you have
earned your wings! I asked God why so
soon but only he knows why he has
called you home. My heart is torn into a
million pieces right now, but I give all
my praises to you Star my lovely niece,
so Goodbye for now until we all meet
again. I Love You!! God Bless.

~Your Uncle Brian~

My Niece

I thought of you today,
but that is nothing new.
I thought about you yesterday
and days before that too.
I think of you in silence,
I often speak your name,
all I have are my memories,
your memories are a keepsake from
which I'll never forget
God has you in his arms
I have you in my heart.

~Aunt Melissa~



Forever

In Our

Hearts

"Star"



Beyonica Mariah
GATES

DECEMBER 14, 2011 - SEPTEMBER 20, 2024



"Sleeping with the Angels"



Saturday, October 5, 2024 | 11:00 a.m.

CROSSROADS BAPTIST CHURCH

325 East McDowell Road - Jackson, MS 39204

Pastor Stanley L. Smith, Officiating

THE LIFE OF BEYONICA MARIAH GATES

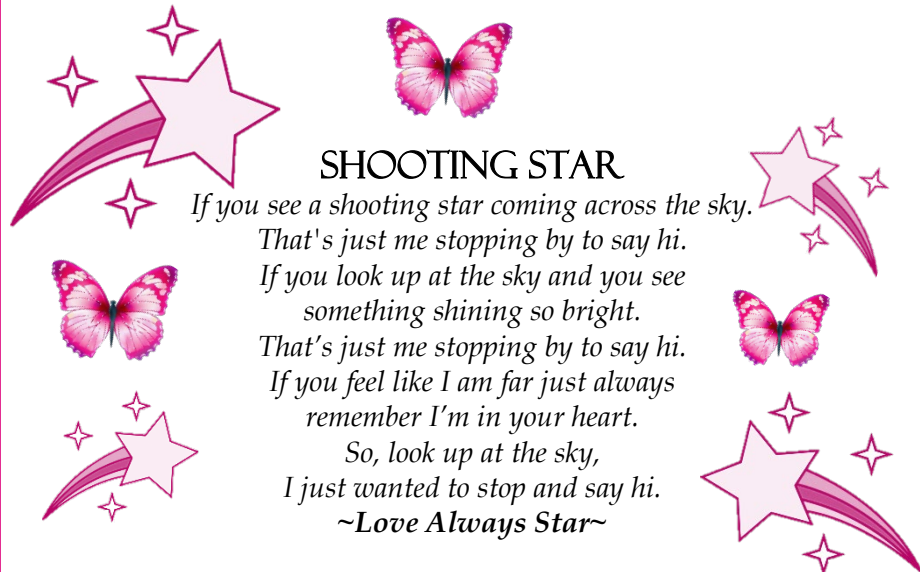
Beyonica Mariah Gates, affectionately known as "Star", was born on December 14, 2011, to Bianca Lewis and Robert Gates, Sr. With a spirit as radiant as her nickname, Star brought laughter and joy to every moment, leaving an indelible mark on the hearts of all who knew her.

Star was a vibrant young girl with a passion for shopping, chatting, and making memories with her friends. Her infectious energy lit up every room, and her kind heart and compassion for all living creatures fueled her dream of becoming a Veterinarian.

On September 20, 2024, God called His Angel home to rest. Star leaves behind her loving mother, Bianca Lewis; her father, Robert Gates, Sr.; her four brothers, Wiley Green III, Kevon Gates, Devon Gates, and Robert Gates Jr.; and her sister, Biana Gates. She is also survived by her grandmothers, Beverly M. Lewis and Blondie (Willie) Robertson; her aunt, Melissa Gates; uncles Bobby Cox, Brian Lewis, Benjamin Lewis, Michael Lewis, Marvin Lewis, Bobby Diew, and Everett Diew.

Star is preceded in death by her Maternal grandfather, Bobby W. Lewis, and her Paternal grandfather, Robert Diew.

Though her time with us was far too short, Star's spirit will continue to shine brightly in the hearts of those who loved her. She will be deeply missed but forever remembered as the beautiful soul she was.



SHOOTING STAR

If you see a shooting star coming across the sky.
That's just me stopping by to say hi.
If you look up at the sky and you see
something shining so bright.
That's just me stopping by to say hi.
If you feel like I am far just always
remember I'm in your heart.
So, look up at the sky,
I just wanted to stop and say hi.
~Love Always Star~

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE
Soft Music

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy & Family

SCRIPTURE READING
Old & New Testament
Pastor Stacy Brown

PRAYER
Melvin Scott

MUSICAL SELECTION

**REFLECTIONS/
EXPRESSIONS**
Three Minutes
Family and Friends

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS
Barbara Carr Jenkins

EULOGY
Pastor Stanley L. Smith
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**REPAST
IMMEDIATELY
FOLLOWING SERVICE**

A Love Letter From Mommy

Where do I start; My Star, My Beyonica, My Right Hand. Mommy, Ma as you called me is going to miss our time that we shared. But, most of all I'm going to miss your beautiful smile, your laugh, your jokes, your love, your braveness and thoughtful ways. Who's going to buy me gifts for Mothers Day and Birthdays? I'm going to miss our Mother & Daughter dates. I wanted us to grow older together but God had other plans, until we meet again I love you my Shining Star. A Mothers Prayer...God Please help me along this path, even as I face difficult patches and navigate uncharted waters. Thank you for the gift of Motherhood and for Your Love. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen. ~Mommy~

My Star

Never feel that you are alone no matter how near or far apart we are, I am always right there in your heart. Remember whose daughter you are and straighten up your crown. Always remember you are Braver than you think and Stronger than you seem. I love you more than you know, and I will always be with you. You will Always be my Baby Girl. ~Daddy~

Our Sister

Loving you was such a breeze,
But missing you brings us to our knees.
We never thought we'd lose you so soon,
Thank you for being my sister – my heart's tune.
~Siblings~

If Roses Grow in Heaven

If Roses Grow in Heaven Lord
Please pick a bunch for me
Place them in my Granddaughters arms
And tell her they're from me
Tell her that I love and miss her
And when she turns to smile,
Place a kiss upon her cheek
And hold her for a while
Remembering her is easy, I do it everyday
But there is an ache within my heart
That will never go away
~Grandma Blondie~