



SERAPHIA STAPLES

October 15, 1976 - March 21, 2013

Seraphia Staples, 36, of Kankakee, IL, died Thursday, March 21, 2013 at St. Mary's Hospital. Visitation will be Saturday, March 30, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral services at 10:00 a.m. at New Vision Missionary Baptist Church, 194 N. Entrance, Kankakee, IL. Pastor Tom L. Ivy will officiate. Cremation rites will be accorded.

Seraphia Staples was born October 15, 1976 in Kankakee, IL to Donna Staples.

She graduated from Kankakee High School in 1995 and attended Kankakee Community College. She was employed by KCTC, and worked in healthcare.

She was a member of New Vision Missionary Baptist Church where she sang in the choir, and was vice-president of the choir, and served as a pastor's aide and Sunday School Teacher.

A lifetime resident of Kankakee, she will be remembered for her dedication to the work of the church, and for being a loving, caring and inspirational person.

She leaves to cherish her memory, one daughter, Kiaira Staples of Kankakee, IL; three sons, Omarr Staples of Kankakee, IL, and twins, Isaiah and Jeremiah Staples of Chicago, IL; her father, Robert Washington of Kankakee, IL; the

father who raised her, Frankie Lee (Rosie) Gray of Rantoul, IL; three sisters, Oriana Staples of Indianapolis, IN, Dalexia Staples of Jacksonville, FL and Tameka Bruce of Detroit, MI; five brothers and one sister-in-law, Orishi Staples of Jacksonville, NC, Darcy Washington of California, Brandon Washington of Key West, FL, Robert Washington Jr. of Little Rock, AR and Jimmy and Karen Smith of Chicago, IL; grandmother, Sarah Gray of Kankakee, IL; a favorite aunt, Jacqueline (John) Henley of Kankakee, IL, a close first cousin, Chantil Henley of Kankakee, IL and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother, a brother, Frankie Lee Gray Jr., grandparents, Daisy and Wesley Levy and grandfather, J. B. Gray.

Tribute Wall

SR

“ YOU WILL TRULLY BE MISSED

S. RICHMOND - April 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

YH

“ So sorry I Love You Seraphia

Yakaub Harkins - April 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Sending my love and prayers to the Staples family. I'm so very sorry for your loss. God bless all of you.

Catherine Mau - March 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NJ

“ Sorry for your loss and prayers are with the family.

Nikki Jones - March 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ I would like to offer my condolences to Seraphia's family. She was taking my English II course this semester at KCC. She always had insightful comments to add to our discussions. She was a pleasure to have in class, and she will be truly missed.

Amy Glaves - March 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ The time I got to know Rae, I learned she is inspirational, caring, and a joy. I will truly miss seeing her at KCC. My condolences and prayers to the family.

Kelly Lockwood - March 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *RIP Raphie c/o 95*

jacquie johnson - March 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Sending my Deepest Sympathies to the Staples Family. Praying to God to grant the family Grace to get through this difficult time. God is able to do all things and will strengthen and comfort when needed most. To God be the Glory in Jesus Name Amen!*

Camisha Hutchins Ruffin - March 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *I just would like to express my condolences to the family and "Raphie" will def be missed by many! Most of all I am going to miss receiving all of her inspirational text msgs every wk.*

Keylla Farrell-Calvin & Family - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *My thoughts and prayers to the family at this time of loss. I have lots of wonderful memories of Rathie. She worked hard for the Lord and the time has come for her reward. God Bless you all*

LaRita Washington - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ *Sending my prayers and condolences to her family and especially her kids. I still can't believe she's gone she will truly be missed.*

Kesha Starks - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO THE FAMILY. SHE HAD TRULY CHANGED HER LIFE. SADLY MISSED BUT NEVER FOREGOTTEN.GOD BLESS YOU ALL.....ROBERT AND ANGELA BRIGHT

BRIGHT FAMILY - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

QF

“ Dear Seraphia (Cuz),

You left this world way too soon! Our condolences to your children and siblings. Our prayers are with all of you!! Rest in peace.

Quala Wells-McGhee and Family - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I wanna tell ur family to hold on to gods unchanging hand he will pull u thru these hard times praying for your family....

Tasha Hill and family - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RI

“ Love you Baby Rae you will truly be missed

Rev. Tom & Deborah Ivy - March 28, 2013 at 12:00 AM