



Briana Ponder

January 8, 1991 - July 31, 2014

On January 8, 1991 God let one of His Angels come down to the earth. A beautiful Angel named Briana Monique Ponder was born to Teresa Williams McIntosh and the late Ernest Ponder, Jr. Her grandparents, Ernest and Eloise Ponder, Sr. of Atlanta, GA preceded her in death.

At an early age, Briana was introduced to Jesus Christ and the church by her grandmother, Mother Eloise Ponder. She received salvation and was baptized at Sweet Honey in the Rock Restoration Church at an early age. She faithfully attended services and was involved in the Youth Usher Ministry, Kids In Praise (K.I.P.S), Air Force Ministry, and the Media Ministry. Briana's heart was full of love and she would always greet you with a loving kiss and smile. Her laughter was infectious and she inspired everyone she met.

Briana, lovingly known as "BeBe or Bri" "Speechless" Ponder attended and graduated from Roswell High School in Fulton County public school. She attended North Georgia Technical College in 2009 and completed her studies in Professional Development from Brown Mackie College in 2011. With encouragement from her family and friends and a quest for excellence, she re-enrolled in Brown Mackie College striving diligently for an Associate Degree.

She was employed at Serenity Community Services, a behavioral and mental health facility located in Union City, GA as an Office Assistant and received a promotion to a Medical Assistant during her tenure. Briana was recently employed at Quality Inn in McDonough, GA. Her community services stem

from Grady Memorial Hospital in the Diabetic Clinic to Camp Kudzu in Rutledge, GA. A non-profit organization designed as a training ground for diabetics. Her sunset was on Thursday, July 31, 2014.

The Angel returns, leaving her love and memories to her beloved and devoted aunts, Tracy Lynn Ponder, Melanie L. Ponder-Wright (Joseph); mother, Teresa Williams; sisters, Marquita "Nikki" High, Moeshia Willingham; brothers, Thaddeus O`keffe Ponder, Lyndell Ponder; grandmother, Bernice Duffie; great-grandmother, Florence Williams; Godaunt, Georgia Hickman; and a host of uncles, aunts, cousins, and friends.

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things that I cannot change, the courage to change the things that I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time, accepting hardships as the pathway to peace, taking as He did this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His will, that I may be reasonably happy in this life, and supremely happy with Him forever in the next". Amen

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 5. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - McDonough Chapel
300 Griffin Street
McDonough, GA 30253
(770) 957-4337
info@wdlemonfuneralhome.com

Service

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sweet Honey In The Rock Restoration Church
678 McDaniel St.
Atlanta, GA 30310

Interment

AUG 6 (ET)

Carver Memorial Gardens
350 Upper Riverdale Rd.
Jonesboro, GA 30236

Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest sympathy to all in your family for the loss you have suffered. Losing a child at any age is one of the hardest things a parent will ever have to experience in their life time. I am well acquainted with the sorrow death brings and hoped the family might be comforted by these encouraging words from the bible: “And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither outcry nor pain be any more, the former things have passed away.” (Re. 21: 4, 5) Again, my deepest condolences to the Ponder family.

A. Coleman - August 23, 2014 at 01:31 PM

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“ I am so sorry for the family's loss. I cannot imagine how difficult this time is for the family. Please comfort in the special memories shared, and the promise at John 5: 28 & 29 of seeing of again. "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life..."

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Nicole - August 07, 2014 at 07:41 PM

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“ First United Pentecostal Church purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Briana Ponder.



First United Pentecostal Church - August 05, 2014 at 03:33 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Briana Ponder.



August 05, 2014 at 09:53 AM



“ Such a sweet and gentle soul...called home by the Lord above because he needed another angel. So sorry to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you

Susan Haack Pomocnik - August 04, 2014 at 06:23 PM



“ My condolences the Entire Ponder Family! You all may be sad but I bet Mother Ponder and Ernest are rejoicing to have their baby girl by their side! May the Lord surround you all with His peace and comfort! Much Love The Muckle Family

Myra Muckle - August 03, 2014 at 11:00 AM



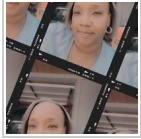
“ I remember when we were in the Bahamas and I almost drowned in the ocean because I didn't realize that it was salt water LOL!!!! And you swam out there and saved me. I will always love you and miss you. We'll never know what it was like to walk in your shoes.

Nina Wright - August 03, 2014 at 09:04 AM



“ *Wish that I could see you now, but I know you're in a better place saying everythings ok, we will always Love and miss you...Auntie Kim and family*

Kimblie Benton-Jarmon - August 03, 2014 at 05:57 AM



“ *Sending my prayers to the Williams family in there time of sorrow. God will continue to be the glue to hold you together as long as you need him. Know tht she's smiling down nd saying "I'm alright now, I'm ok"*
We'll Miss nd Love you Bee
Uncle Robert nd Adrienne Williams

Adrienne Tripp - August 03, 2014 at 01:08 AM



“ *I love you my sister*

Thaddeus Ponder - August 02, 2014 at 11:59 PM



“ *My LOVE is ENDLESS! Auntie Tracy*



Melanie Wright - August 02, 2014 at 11:50 PM



“ *Loving You Always!!Auntie Tracy and Mel*



Melanie Wright - August 02, 2014 at 11:42 PM

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“ *The Ponder/Wright Family purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Briana Ponder.*



The Ponder/Wright Family - August 02, 2014 at 11:35 PM

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“ *Man I'm still sitting here in tears but I never forget the times we shared you'll always have a place in my heart And u always cared for Samyrah and Cj like they were your own and I thank you...*

Courtney Turner (ADHD) - August 02, 2014 at 09:17 PM



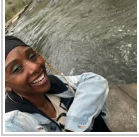
“ *Brianna you are truly goin to be missed and love*

Young-young Patterson - August 02, 2014 at 08:45 PM

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“ *My heart is with the family! Love you all. Marchella Christian*

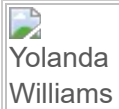
Marchella Christian - August 02, 2014 at 04:09 PM



“ *Still wondering why. Im thankful you're not here hurting and suffering but instead of asking you why Lord I just say tell her I love and miss her dearly.*



Nyyoka Carter - August 02, 2014 at 08:08 AM



“ *Briana you will diffently forever be missed from your Williams family, Yolanda ??*

Yolanda Williams - August 02, 2014 at 05:57 AM



“ *Words will never espress how I'm feeling right now. I will always remember her smile it was beatiful just like her. Prayers and love to the family*

fredericka roberts - August 02, 2014 at 02:07 AM



“ *She was so welcoming of me from day 1, her high spirits and laughter are what I remember most of Briana. I know this is a difficult time and I am so sorry for your lost. She will be greatly missed and all I can do is continue to pray for all of you.*

Jessenia Davis-Fernandez - August 01, 2014 at 11:50 PM



To the Ponder Family. My Condolences. Hold All of the Beautiful memories in your heart of this Beautiful Young Lady. God has Blessed ALL of you with a Sweet Angel... Praying your Strength.. Much Love...

Michelle Drayton - August 04, 2014 at 07:45 PM