A CELEBRATION of Life

HONORING A BEAUTIFUL SOUL

Her light lives on in all who knew and loved her.



MARISSA SHANAII KINGSTON

NOVEMBER 19, 1991 - SEPTEMBER 18, 2026

Celebrating the Life of Marissa Shanaii Kingston

Sunrise: November 19, 1991 - Sunset: September 18, 2026

With profound love and cherished memories, we celebrate the beautiful life of Marissa Shanaii Kingston, affectionately known as Rissa, Flocka, Big Riss, or the Portage Princess. She transitioned from this earthly life on September 18, 2026, at the age of thirty-four.

Rissa was born on November 19, 1991, in Kalamazoo, MI. She is the loved and cherished daughter of Sharon and Doug Kingston, and birth daughter of Anthony Scott. She is the goddaughter of Stan and Wanda Brown. She was the domestic partner of Grandville (Trey) Hogg with whom she shared her life until they departed this earthly life together on September 18, 2026.

From the very beginning, Marissa brought a special light into the lives of those around her. Her radiant smile, laughter, and contagious spirit were gifts that her family and friends will carry in their hearts forever. Marissa will be remembered for her effortless sense of humor, beautiful smile, positive energy, and catchy dance moves.

Marissa was a serious foodie who enjoyed sewing, fashion, all genres of music, karaoke, dancing, and gathering with family and friends, making lasting memories.

Rissa was much more than fun and laughs; she was an experience. She possessed a magnetic, protective spirit and fierce loyalty that could never be duplicated. She never met a stranger. Her presence made an impression on everyone she met, and her absence leaves us with an eternal void that words cannot describe. She left us with memories that will be etched in our hearts forever.

Rissa leaves to cherish her precious memory: her parents, Doug & Sharon Kingston; birth father Anthony Scott; Godparents, Wanda and Stanley Brown; her siblings, Shilah, Tyriq, & Tiffany Kingston, Amirah & Antonio Scott, Parrish Powell; God brothers Mitchell Brown & Elijah McKissack; nieces, Bianca, Ashleigh, & Jazmyne; and a vast host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.

Special Mention: Geneva & Henry Bates; Atiba McKissack; LaRhonda Atkins; Elizabeth Lewis; and Latonya O'Neal.

Marissa was preceded in death by grandparents Odie and Mary Davis, John and Dolores Kingston, and Clenteria Gooden, along with other family and loved ones.

Although our hearts are heavy, we are grateful for every dance, conversation, laugh, hug, and every memory that we were blessed to share with her. Her earthly journey may have ended, but the love she gave is everlasting.

Marissa, you were our daughter, our sister, our niece, our cousin, our family, our friend, our joy, our protector, our comedian, and a huge piece of our hearts. We will speak your name in love, tell your stories with enthusiasm, laugh endlessly at the memories you gave us, and even cry sometimes. But we will carry your love in our hearts for the rest of our lives. Take your rest, Big Riss. We will see you on the other side.

Order of Service

October 04, 2026 - 3:00 PM

Musical Prelude
Tyler Anthony & Band

Processional
Family & Clergy

Opening Selection
Tyler Anthony Band

Scripture Reading - Old Testament
Wanda Brown

Scripture Reading - New Testament
LaRhonda Crawford

Prayer of Comfort
Elliott Wilkes

Musical Selection
Tyler Anthony & Band

Acknowledgments & Resolutions

The family of our beloved Marissa, would like to express our deepest and most heartfelt appreciation for the tremendous outpouring of love, prayers, kindness, and support shown to us during this difficult time.

Every phone call, text message, visit, prayer, card, floral arrangement, meal, gift, and comforting word has meant more to us than we could ever fully express. Your presence, whether near or far, has reminded us just how deeply Marissa was loved and how many lives she touched.

We extend a special thank you to everyone who helped us prepare for and celebrate her life. To our family, friends, church family, and all those who have surrounded us with love and strength-thank you for standing beside us and helping carry us through the moments when our hearts have been the heaviest.

Although our hearts are broken, we find comfort in the beautiful memories she left behind and in knowing that her life was a blessing to so many. We will forever cherish the love you have shown our family. May God richly bless you all.

With heartfelt love and gratitude,
The Kingston Family

Reflections of Marissa
Family & Friends

Reading of Obituary
Shilah Kingston

Special Tribute / Musical Selection
Tyler Anthony & Band

Words of Comfort / Eulogy
Minister Marla Yarbrough

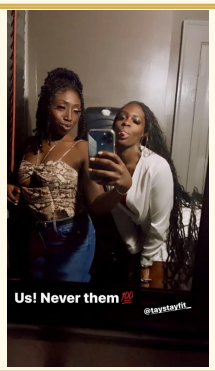
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Blessing of the Food
Mildred Bowen

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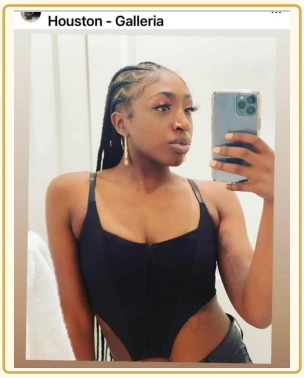






















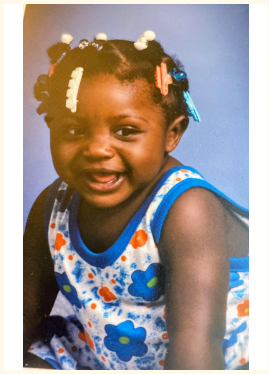














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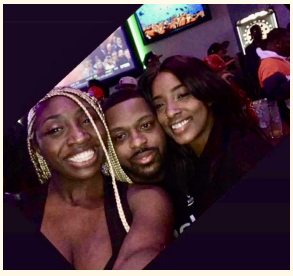












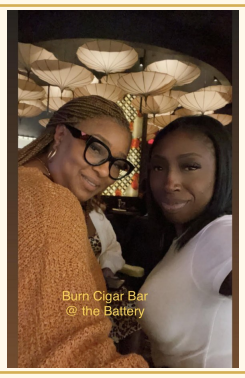


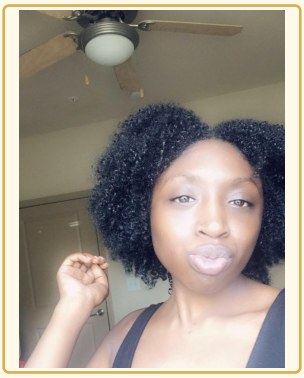




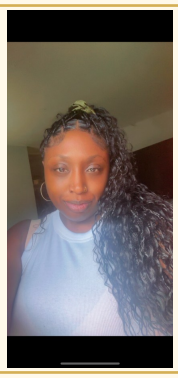






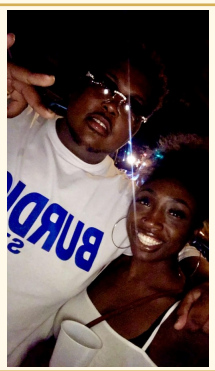






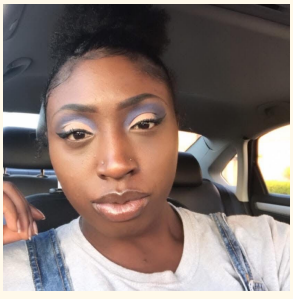




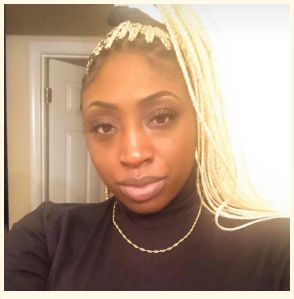
















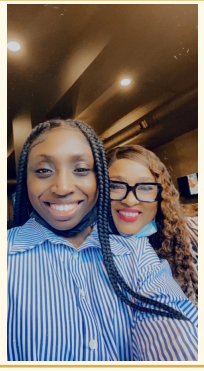
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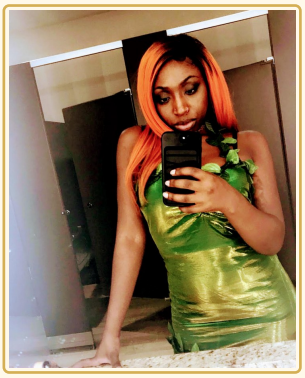


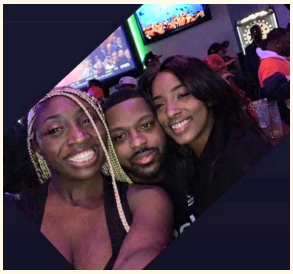






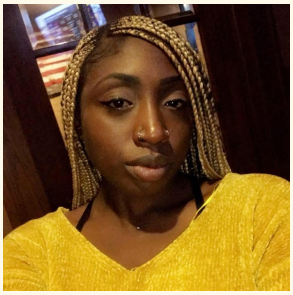
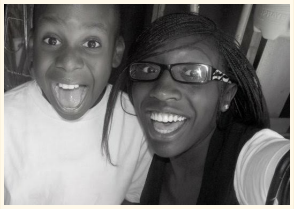












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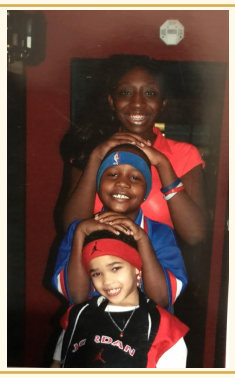




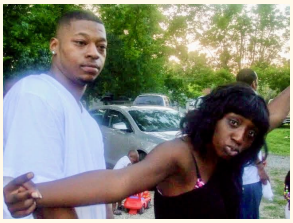
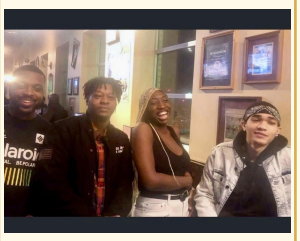






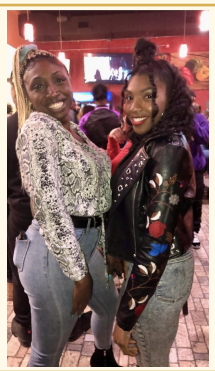














With Love & Gratitude

Thank you for every prayer, every kind word,
every embrace and every expression of love.
Your support will always be remembered.

Her love will remain with us always.