



## SFC Latashia Lynne Hairston

July 9, 1976 - May 10, 2025

SFC Latashia Lynne Hairston was born on July 9, 1976, in Roanoke, Virginia, the firstborn of three children to Myra Goodrich Broadnax and her stepfather, Thomas Broadnax. She received her early education in the Roanoke City Schools before graduating from Morehead High School in Eden, North Carolina.

Latashia was a devoted member of Rising Star Memorial Baptist Church in Eden, NC, where she faithfully served as the leader of the children's ministry, taught Sunday School, and sang in the choir.

After high school, Latashia enlisted in the United States Army, where she served with distinction as a Counterintelligence Special Agent. A decorated Army veteran, she received numerous honors including the Joint Service Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. Her dedication and professionalism were further recognized with the NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, and Overseas Service Ribbon. She was honorably discharged in 2004.

Following her military career, Latashia relocated to Fayetteville, North Carolina, in 2017. There, she joined Spring Lake Memorial Baptist Church, serving faithfully in the media and children's ministries. Her commitment to

ministry continued as she became an integral part of Bethel AME Zion Church, where she contributed her talents to the media, children, and dance ministries.

In 2023, “Tasha,” as she was affectionately known, became a devoted member of Cornerstone Christian Empowerment Center under the leadership of Bishop Bennie L. Bryant Jr. Wherever there was a need, Tasha was there supporting her church family through media production, administrative assistance, and a heart ready to serve.

Tasha also found great joy in singing with the award-winning Jared L. Payton and the Voices, now known as The Legacy Chorale. Her love for worship through music became a central part of her life. She held leadership positions as Assistant to the Director and Treasurer and shared this passion with her children and family—creating moments of unity and joy that will live on.

Latashia leaves to cherish her memory her beloved children: Tahir Amari Hairston, Joshua Maurice Witherspoon, and Yasirah AASAMA Brown; her loving parents Thomas and Myra Broadnax; her father Joe Burwell Sr., and her partner Mr. Preston Brown. She is also survived by her brothers: Rodney Goodrich Jr. Joe Burwell Jr. and Lamont Burwell; and her sisters: Tamisha Broadnax, Crystal L. Burwell, and Lakeshia Burwell. She was preceded in death by her sister Sharita D. Hairston. A special place in her heart was held for her uncle “Jay” Hairston, along with numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends who will forever treasure her light, laughter, and love.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAY **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Zion  
255 Vass Road  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

## Funeral

MAY **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bethel A.M.E. Zion  
255 Vass Road  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

## Burial

JUN **10**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery  
8220 Bragg Blvd  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of SFC Latashia Lynne Hairston* ”



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - May 23, 2025 at 11:27 AM

LA

“ *I am truly sorry to hear of the passing of Tashia. From the first day I met her, she always had a smile on her face and willing to help. To the Family, my prayers are with you.* ”

Lawanda - May 23, 2025 at 10:20 AM

MS

“ *Marvin L. Hargrove Sr. lit a candle in memory of Latashia Hairston* ”



Marvin L. Hargrove Sr. - May 22, 2025 at 09:28 PM

MM

“ *Marny M. Marsh lit a candle in memory of Latashia Hairston* ”



Marny M. Marsh - May 22, 2025 at 03:18 PM

RG

“ Rodney G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of SPC Latashia Lynne Hairston.

Rodney G. - May 18, 2025 at 07:37 AM

MM

“ I TRULY REMEMBER WHEN I FIRST MET SPC LATASHIA LYNNE HAIRSTON SHE GAVE ME THE BEST SMILE AND A HUG AND ENCOURAGING WORDS THAT I WILL NEVER FORGET. SISTER MAMIE MONTGOMERY AND FAMILY SENDS THEIR LOVE AND CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY

MINISTER TAMARA MONTHGOMERY - May 17, 2025 at 10:27 PM

EP

“ My condolences to the family and friends of Latashia. You ate in my thoughts and prayers. May you find comfort in the Lord and joy in the beautiful memories of her love for you. Equilla Moyer Parris & Family



Equilla Moyer Parris - May 17, 2025 at 01:19 AM

DP

“Words of sympathy feel inadequate in expressing grief and sorrow for a loss so great. Sending a warm embrace and all my love during this sad time.” We love you and are praying for and with you.



Dr. Denise M Payton - May 15, 2025 at 04:17 PM

KH

“ *Kathy Hairston lit a candle in memory of Latashia Hairston*



Kathy Hairston - May 15, 2025 at 12:34 PM

MS

“ *God bless the life and legacy of sweet Latashia Hairston! Always a blessing to others!*

Mrs. Willie L. Smith - May 15, 2025 at 10:11 AM

JM

“ *To the parents and children of Latasha, we send our condolences. She was a very loving and caring person that will always be remembered. Joan & family*



Joan moton - May 15, 2025 at 08:55 AM

BS

“ *Diane, Thomas, our sincere and deepest condolences on the loss of your daughter. May the memories of your times shared and spent together comfort you in the days ahead. We will keep you in our prayers.*

*Becky and Ulysses Spear  
Palmetto, Ga*

Becky Spear - May 14, 2025 at 05:46 PM

LH

“ To the family during this time of bereavement. We extend our deepest condolences and prayers. I can remember when Latashia was active with our church before she went in to the military. She had a beautiful voice, she lead songs in the choir. She was a former member of Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church in Eden, NC., which she was always joyfully engaged in the church activities. We will miss her dearly. She was a joy to be around. The Lord has chosen another angel to be in his kingdom.



Linda Hairston Hampton & Family, Eden NC  
Love ❤️ you all

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Linda Hampton - May 14, 2025 at 04:09 PM

WS

“ Willie and Linda Smith lit a candle in memory of Latashia Hairston



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Willie and Linda Smith - May 14, 2025 at 01:40 PM

DW

“ Doris Williams lit a candle in memory of Latashia Hairston



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Doris Williams - May 14, 2025 at 10:22 AM

TH

“ *Thaddeus lit a candle in memory of Latashia Hairston*



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**Thaddeus** - May 14, 2025 at 09:05 AM

RS

“ *Tasha was one of the biggest supporters of my ministry. I'm forever blessed just to have known her!!*

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**Rev. Michael E. Smith** - May 13, 2025 at 01:06 PM