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**ARRANGEMENTS: VIEWING AND VISITATION, FRIDAY, JULY 1, 2022 12-2 PM, FUNERAL TO FOLLOW AT 2 PM
FIRST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 1204 CHEATHAM STREET, SPRINGFIELD, TENNESSEE 37172; INTERMENT
RESTLAWN MEMORIAL GARDEN.**

**Martelle Jonquise Black was born September 17, 1992 to Melissa and McKinzie "Tootie" Black, Jr.
Martelle was educated in the Robertson County School System and was a 2011 graduate of Springfield
High School.**

**Martelle had a heart of gold and would do anything for anyone. He had a smile that would light up a
room. He loved his family and most of all, he loved his children. If you needed a pick me up, he was that
person to do it. He was the life of the party keeping everyone laughing til you were crying, doubling over.
Martelle would give you the shirt off his back, if he had it and you needed it. He would give it to you even
if it was his last. Martelle would also give you the shoes off his feet.**

**Martelle was preceded in death by his brothers, Ventrell D. Blakemore and McKinzie M. Black, III;
grandparents, Mattie Witt, Joe Terry and McKinzie M. Black, Sr.**

**Martelle departed this earthly life on June 23, 2022 and he leaves to cherish his memories: his mother,
Melissa D. Black; his father, McKinzie M. Black, Jr. of Clarksville, TN; his son, Jayden Serna of Clarksville,
TN; two daughters, Marielle Sensing and Merci Black; grandmother, Katie Black; two brothers, Montrelle
S. Black of Springfield, TN and Austin Black of Gary, IN; god-sister, LaCresha Patterson of Springfield, TN;
aunts, Rita Bowens of Springfield, TN, Tracy Black of Nashville, TN, Consuella Black of Nashville, TN, and
Bridgette Hodges of Clarksville, TN; niece, Akeelah Bursey of Covington, TN; nephew, DaQuan Head of
Springfield, TN; girlfriend, Dereshia Hurt of Springfield, TN; devoted cousin, ShawntezWilliams, and a host
of cousins, other family and friends.**