



## Jada McAdoo

August 15, 1995 - July 7, 2017

Jada Miranda McAdoo came onto the world stage and premiered on August 15, 1995 to her parents Derrick and Gina Pearman -McAdoo. She was granted her golden wings and golden ballet slippers on July 7, 2017 after a lengthy illness. She was diagnosed with Niemann-Pick Disease Type C at an early age, but don't think that Jada's illness kept her from soaring! Oh No! She touched everyone who knew her with her resilience, strength, perseverance and her and her ability to overcome incredible odds and physical challenges. Anyone who knew Jada always remarked on her beautiful spirit. She gave us strength to endure and overcome whatever travails we face. This was not only her gift to us.....but Jada'a story.

Jada had a love for DANCE! At all family functions she would be the star of the show with her perfect rhythm and lack of shyness. She would dance (with or without) a partner and often danced with her eyes closed.....going into her own world. Her family claimed a position for her with the Alvin Alley Dancers traversing the world! She was also an avid music lover. Her godmother, Bridgette, knew of Jada's love of dance and music and would often take her to the concerts of her favorite artists such as Usher. She also enjoyed dancing to Mary Mary. She was, of course, a cheerleader during her young school days as well. She loved participating in both the in and out of state competitions. She attended Avondale High School. Jada loved school and rarely missed a day. She was

baptized at and attended New Bethel AME Church in Lithonia,GA, where she praise danced and sang in the choir.

Jada's favorite color was purple, the color of royalty. She was a huge Falcons fan and once she could no longer physically able to attend the games, she would watch them on TV at home. Of course, while watching, she would have on her Falcons t-shirt as Falcons sheets graced her bed!

Though Jada was not able to speak during the latter parts of her life, she communicated to us, along with her "sidekick" grandmother Zaimah, that her life had meaning. We celebrate her life, the lessons that she taught us and are privileged to have been a part of it. This.....is Jada Miranda McAdoo's STORY!

Jada was preceded in death by her Paternal Grandfather Walter Brower and Maternal Great-Grand Mother Mrs. Dorothy Robinson. Jada leaves to mourn her cherished memories: Parents: Derrick and Gina Pearman-McAdoo of Stone Mountain, Georgia. Paternal Grandmother: Zaimah Adur-Rahim of Atlanta, Georgia. Maternal Grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Philip Pearman of Mt Vernon, New York. Uncles: Winfred McLean (Cynthia) of Atlanta, Georgia and Philip Pearman, Jr. (Luisa) of Nashville, Tennessee. Aunts: Heather Pearman of Riverdale,New York and Tamara Brower-Hutchinson of Greensboro, North Carolina. 1st cousins: Sade, Maya, Eva, Zoe, Elyse, Daniel Jeremiah and Joshua Gideon. She is survived by a host of relatives, family and friends.

Funeral Saturday, July 15, 2017, 1pm at Redemptive Life Christian Church, 406 Pleasant Hill Rd., Conyers, GA., Visitation Friday, July 14, 2017 10AM-8PM with family hour 6PM-8PM at Gregory B. Levett & Sons, Funeral Home, 4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy, Decatur, GA., 30034. Burial at College Park Cemetery. Please, visit our website to extend condolences. [www.levettfuneralhome.com](http://www.levettfuneralhome.com)



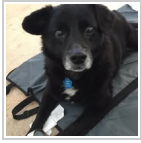
# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy.  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656  
[info@levettfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@levettfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ I was blessed to have Jada as a student at Avondale Middle School. Jada was a loving, caring child who always tried to make others feel good. Her love of dance brought joy to all who knew her. I have several photos and videos of Jada dancing to old school R & B (Ella Fitzgerald, Tina Turner, Aretha Franklin, etc.) as well as pop singers such as Justin Bieber, Beyoncé, etc. As a New Orleans Saints fan Jada and I had an ongoing friendly argument about which team was better and when the two teams went up against each other we would both wear our respective jerseys to school prior to the game. Jada was a gift to all who knew her. ❤️



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**Dawn Swinehart-Jones** - July 19, 2017 at 10:00 PM

GA

“ Hey it's ur cousin Gary in LA , my family and I extend our condolences to you. Jada I never met u but heard many great stories about u. You never gave up and kept fighting no matter what, ur an inspiration to me and others. You will definitely be missed. Go Falcons!!!

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**Gary** - July 15, 2017 at 08:07 PM

HC

“ Henry Hall & Everyone at One Call purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Jada McAdoo.



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Henry Hall & Everyone at One Call - July 15, 2017 at 07:36 AM

DW

“ Gina & Derrick,

*May your loving memories of Jada bring comfort to your hearts. Please do not hesitate to reach out directly or through Cynthia if there is anything that I can do for you all.*

*Sincerely,  
Thomas & Deborah Williams (Miss Deb)*

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DEBORAH Y WILLIAMS - July 14, 2017 at 09:44 PM

CD

*I pray that the Lord will bless her and keep her. May she dance and soar with the spirits in eternal peace.  
In the love of Christ,  
Cousin Gerald  
And Davis family of PA*

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Cousin Gerald Davis - July 16, 2017 at 04:48 AM

DW

“ DEBORAH Y WILLIAMS lit a candle in memory of Jada McAdoo



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DEBORAH Y WILLIAMS - July 14, 2017 at 09:34 PM

DD

“ Gina & Derrick,  
Jada was a bright light that danced into our hearts in the CHOA dance group. I can see her now dancing with those eyes closed. We would say Jada open those eyes so everyone can see you! What a shining star! She will not be forgotten. Thank you for sharing her with us.

*Dana Altman Dinet-OT*

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**Dana Altman Dinet** - July 14, 2017 at 04:32 PM



Thank you Dana. Jada enjoyed dancing with the other girls in the group. See always looked forward to Monday afternoons. It was so good to see you.

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**Gina Pearman McAdoo** - July 30, 2017 at 07:11 AM

LC

“ God bless your family. Jada's story was beautiful and so moving. Sending prayers for strength to you and your family.  
Lauri Carlson  
WRS

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**Lauri Carlson** - July 14, 2017 at 07:22 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.



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July 14, 2017 at 06:11 AM

BR

“ *Gina & Derrick,  
I have beautiful memories of Jada dancing in our group at N. Druid Hills. She had a beautiful spirit, and we so loved dancing with her.*

*I am so sorry for your loss.  
Blessings,  
Beth Radford, PT*

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**Beth Radford** - July 14, 2017 at 06:02 AM

RJ

“ *Derrick and Gina,  
Heaven received a dancing angel whose spirit touched our lives in such a special way! I remember our last dance together doing the Electric Slide in CJ and Willie's den. Jada proved to us all that it ain't over 'til God says it's over, and I will cherish every moment I had the privilege to share a smile with her.*

*Mommy and I will continue to keep you in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Much love,  
Rita and Betty Joyner*

*"Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal."*

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**Rita Joyner** - July 13, 2017 at 10:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.*



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July 13, 2017 at 09:50 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.*



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July 13, 2017 at 12:44 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.*



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July 13, 2017 at 09:30 AM



“ *My heart was broken upon receiving the news that Jada had left us. She fought long and hard with all her strength. I remembered the time when I had the pleasure of accompanying Jada to White Waters with her summer camp. She tackled the largest slide in the park without fear and as she came sliding down, meanwhile I was praying to bring her back home safely to her parents. After her sliding adventure she looked at me and said, "That was that fun auntie". We love this awesome family so much and want you to know we are praying for your strength and God's Grace to keep you going.*

*Love Herbert, Cathy, and Blair*

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**cathy Nisbett** - July 13, 2017 at 08:33 AM

CM

“ Cynthia McLean lit a candle in memory of Jada McAdoo



Cynthia McLean - July 13, 2017 at 05:16 AM

SJ

“ I am one of Gina's co-workers. I can understand the pain she and her family are going through because I lost my 27 year old son over 2 years ago. It is a pain that only a parent can know. I'm sorry I did not know Jada. I believe my life would have been more full. Gina, please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I pray that God will comfort you and sustain you during this tremendous loss.

Steve Johnson  
Wright Rehab

Steve Johnson - July 12, 2017 at 10:02 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.



July 12, 2017 at 09:59 PM

JK

“ Gina and Derrick,

*I was so blessed to spend a few years dancing with Jada weekly at the CHOA therapeutic dance group. Jada's smile and spirit were infectious, and she will always hold a special place in my heart. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

*Julie King, PT*

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**Julie King** - July 12, 2017 at 09:51 PM

CN

“ Cathy Nelson purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jada McAdoo.



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**Cathy Nelson** - July 12, 2017 at 09:39 PM

SB

“ Gina and family, I never had the privilege of meeting Jada but she sounds like such a fantastic and talented young lady. I'm very sorry for your loss and will keep your family in my prayers.

*Susan Blankenship  
Wright Rehab*

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**Susan Blankenship** - July 12, 2017 at 09:22 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.*



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July 12, 2017 at 08:45 PM



“ *My deepest sympathy to you Gina and Derrick on the loss of your precious daughter. Although I did not know Jada, her story told me so much about her. May she be at peace with the Our Lord Jesus Christ. Prayers to you both and your families during this time of sorrow. God Bless you and your angel up above.*

*Vicky Hamann, LA Case Mgr  
WRS*

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**Vicky Hamann** - July 12, 2017 at 07:55 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Jada McAdoo.*



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July 12, 2017 at 07:54 PM

KH

“ *What a lovely girl, now a beautiful angel. Praying for peace and comfort for you all.  
Lifting you all up in prayer,*

*Kim Hayman, WRS*

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**kim Hayman** - July 12, 2017 at 07:41 PM

CM

“ *Jada, I am sure you realized how special you were to your dad's family, McAdoo's and your mom's family, Pearman's! I remember your love of dancing and not even when mom said sit down or stop, you kept right on! Heehee! You were here for a short time, but we all can take lessons of determination and a zest for life that you showed us. In closing, I say ... job well done and love you. Cousin Bunny*

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**Cynthia McAdoo** - July 12, 2017 at 07:20 PM