



## Chanel M. Highsmith

August 18, 1978 - January 30, 2022

Chanel M. Highsmith was born on a bright sunny day at Saint Francis Hospital in Hartford, CT to Connie Y. Highsmith-Hargrove, Friday, August 18, 1978. She was called home on Sunday, January 30, 2022, the irony as she loved the Lord. From birth, Chanel has always been a social butterfly who always supported and loved on her loved ones. Chanel had a humorous spirit and an infectious personality; she was consistently the life in the room. Chanel had a great love for family, she was a loving mother, daughter, sister, and friend. She loved and adored her children, her Young Bull Trevon L. Highsmith, her Princess Tinaejah L. Highsmith, and her handsome baby boy Ty'Jhaun R. Rogers.

Chanel was educated in West Haven and New Haven, CT Public School Systems. She spent her working career serving and helping others as a personal care provider, most recently at Riverview Residential Care Facility. She also was an entrepreneur, she launched Chanel's Nursing Apparel (CNA) offering stylish scrubs to individuals who worked in similar fields. The fashionista that she was she took immense pride in her appearance, which was the foundation of her business. Chanel had such a giving heart, one-way she chose to give back to her community was to become a member of Bereavement Care Network, Inc. being inducted in 2019. She also was a faithful member and Usher of Varick Memorial AME Zion Church.

Chanel leaves to cherish her memory Mother Connie Y. Highsmith-Hargrove; Son's: Trevon L. Highsmith and Ty'Jhaun R. Rogers; Daughter Tinaejah L. Highsmith all of New Haven, CT; Maternal Grandparents Billy (Diane) Highsmith; Uncles: Christopher and Danyon (WyKeishia) Highsmith. Aunts: Tonya Smalls and Caretha (Theron) Holiday; God-Mother Kimberly Butterfield-Fisher; the sisters she chose Nakia Dawson-Douglas, Anitra Payne, and Nateysha Poindexter. Chanel's memory will also be cherished by Carlton R. White and The White Family because of the special relationship they shared. Chanel leaves an enormous host of relatives, extended family, and friends who will deeply miss her life of the party personality.

Chanel was predeceased by her Maternal Grand-Mother Jean Jones-Highsmith, her Maternal Great Grandparents Eugene and Lizzie Jones as well as her Uncle Jeffrey D. Highsmith. Chanel was loved by many, but God in Heaven loved her best!

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd  
New Haven, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

FEB 10. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Temple Church of God in Christ  
285 Dixwell Ave  
New Haven, CT 06511  
(203) 776-8179

## Funeral Service

FEB 10. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CA

“ *Carissa lit a candle in memory of Chanel Highsmith*



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**Carissa** - March 27, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ *Chanel M. Highsmith*

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October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM

DJ

“ *She was a baby when I met her. I was friends with her Aunt Tonya Smalls. She love her Auntie and we Loved her being around. Since then, she seen me in a grocery store and knew who I was. She's a Bright, and Beautiful, chocolate girl. Rest in Paradise. Your with the one who made you. AMEN*



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**Dessrie Johnson** - February 25, 2022 at 08:38 AM

LP

“ *So sorry to hear of Chanel's passing. I knew her through her work at Yeladim Center at the JCC. She was well regarded by all and when she helped out in my classroom, the children greeted her with enthusiasm because of their affection for her. May Chanel's family and friends be comforted by the many memories of happy times with her.*

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**Laura Prestash** - February 15, 2022 at 10:01 AM



“ *Talil Bentley-Brown*



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**Shantai Brown** - February 10, 2022 at 07:44 AM



“ *Tess Brown*



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**Shantai Brown** - February 10, 2022 at 07:17 AM



“ *Shantai Brown lit a candle in memory of Chanel M. Highsmith*



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**Shantai Brown** - February 10, 2022 at 07:14 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Chanel M. Highsmith.*



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February 09, 2022 at 07:33 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Chanel M. Highsmith.* ”



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February 09, 2022 at 03:56 PM



“ *Always a pleasant person. I remember her vividly in class freshman year. May she rest well. She will be missed* ”

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**Candice Williams** - February 08, 2022 at 06:43 PM



“ *Wanda Dawson lit a candle in memory of Chanel M. Highsmith* ”



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**Wanda Dawson** - February 07, 2022 at 02:06 PM



“ *Wanda Dawson sent a virtual gift in memory of Chanel M. Highsmith* ”



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**Wanda Dawson** - February 07, 2022 at 02:06 PM

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**Wanda Dawson** - February 07, 2022 at 02:05 PM

CM

“ My Heartfelt Condolences To The Family and Friends Especially Her Kids.  
To Be Absent From The Body Is To Be Present  
With The Lord The Good Die Young  
R I.Paradise Chanel Take Your Rest God  
Loves You Best 🦋🙏🦋🙏❤️



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**Cynthia McCoy** - February 04, 2022 at 12:25 AM