

Mrs. Tucker:

Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the loss of your son, Terrance, and my hope for the full recovery of your daughter Natasha. My prayers are with you and your children and your children's friends.

I knew Terrance through his work at Unified Vailsburg Services Organization (UVSO), and through his advocacy on behalf of other young adults in the community. Terrance was smart, thoughtful, well-spoken, and a true leader. He was a genuine, compelling and charismatic presence, so that one had to know when Terrance was in the room.

There are two occasions at UVSO where I especially remember Terrance, and want to share these with you. The first occasion was a Teen Summit in September of 2005, where a steering committee that included Terrance presented ideas to the community about new programs for young people. Terrance spoke eloquently to a large group of neighborhood leaders, elected officials, and founders about specific services such as SAT coaching and tutoring that he knew could be a great help to students in Vailsburg.

Terrance's words at the Summit were so convincing that today, there is a stand-alone Teen Center on Sanford Ave. that serves as a home base for over one hundred fifty young people. The spirit, determination and positive energy that Terrance gave to the teen program blessed this venture, and he will live forever in the youth activities and plans of UVSO.

My other remembrance of Terrance is more personal and harder to tell. Last year, at the annual UVSO holiday party, Terrance let me know that one day he planned to lead UVSO, much to my delight and that of the others at the table. I welcomed his plan and said that I would keep the seat warm for the day when Terrance stepped into the job of executive director. He was surely able, and my work will henceforth include a thought and a question about what Terrance would have done in tough or demanding situations. His memory will influence the organization's every move.

Nothing I can say will relieve the grief and pain of this terrible time, but I hope that these reflections can comfort you in the days ahead. For now, be assured that all of us at UVSO are at your service if we can be of help in any way.

Sincerely,
Robert M. Farley
Executive Director

Love Letter to my Son

To my beloved son in whom I am well pleased,

I named you Terrance Jerode, but we called you T.J. You were called like Jeremiah from my womb a prophet. You were hand picked by God to walk as a leader. You never compromised or bowed to the Gods of this world. You always studied to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

I can still hear you coming in the door shouting Glory, Praise Him! You declared at a young age "For God I live and For God I Die! You left here a martyr, but, **IT WAS NOT IN VAIN**

Well done good and faithful son, you were a precious gift from God, my Jewel. Go home, enjoy Jesus and rest a while.

p.s. I will meet you around the throne.

Love,
Mommy

Acknowledgement

The family would like to thank you
for your prayers and kind expressions of sympathy
as they celebrate the life of Brother Terrance Jerode Aerial
Please continue to remember us in your prayers
May God continue to bless each one of you

The Family



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A Celebration of Life for Terrance Jerode Aerial

Sunrise
December 8, 1988

Sunset
August 5, 2007



Saturday, August 11, 2007 - 11:00 am
**The New Hope Baptist
Church**

106 Sussex Avenue - Newark, NJ

Pastor Joe A. Carter

Pastor Turawana Outlaw
Higher Dimensions Worship International Ministries

Officiating

Terrance Jerode Aerial

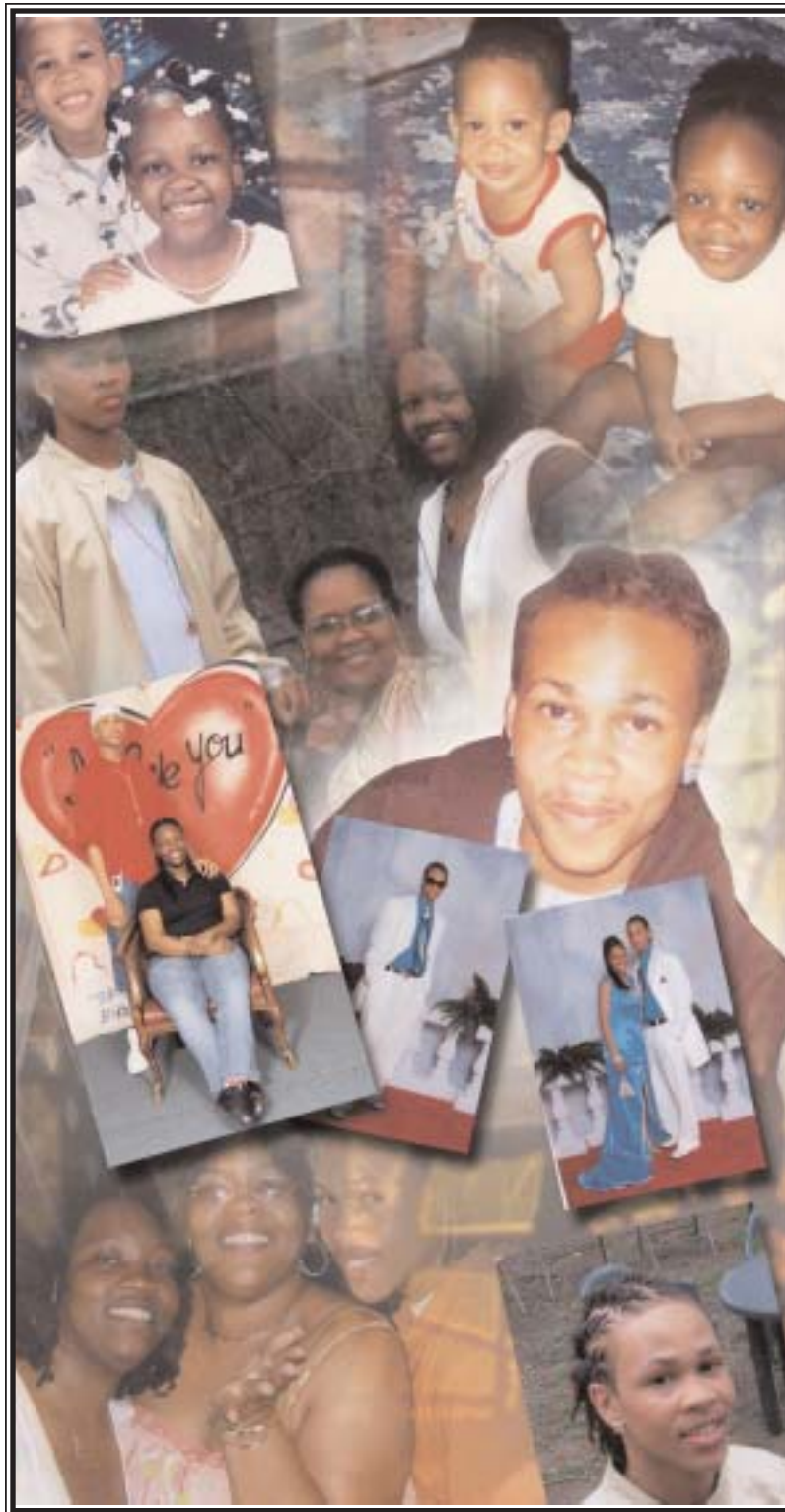
On Saturday, August 5, 2007 the Lord in his infinite wisdom sent his angels to take home our loved one, Terrance Jerode Aerial, affectionately known as "T.J."

He was born on December 8, 1988. T.J. was ordained as a Messenger/Prophet on June 22, 2002. T.J. graduated from West Side High School in 2006 and was accepted into Delaware State University. He was a band member and drum major. T.J. always would exhibit excellent leadership with his peers and was an accomplished actor and director of plays at his high school and church. T.J. was a team player with the high school administration, he served on the Middle State Team and was a key member in getting West Side High School re-accredited to issue high school diplomas. T.J. was an accomplished debater on the West Side High debate team and they won several competitions. He was also active in various community organizations and worked tirelessly in his community for positive change.

T.J.'s true passion was for the word of God, and his desire was to convey the message to the church to be the church that God called it to be. He loved the people of God and had a desire to win lost souls for Christ.

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There's a plan far greater than you know;
There is a landscape broader than the one you see
There is a haven where storm-tossed souls may go. You call it
death-this seeming endless sleep;
We call it birth-the soul at last set free
Farewell, your work is done! Now may peace rest with thee.



Order of Service

Processional
Clergy & Family

Hymn
Minister of Music

Scripture
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection
Melissa Bell

Acknowledgement
Church Clerk

Remarks
Mother
Elected Officials
Clergy

Selection
Apostle Kenneth Bobien

Eulogy
Pastor Turawana Outlaw
Higher Dimensions Ministries

Recessional
Clergy & Family