

**CELEBRATING WITH THANKSGIVING  
THE LIFE OF**



**Channah Lakisha Connor**

February 1st 2001 – April 30th 2023

Cayman Islands Baptist Church

Pedro Castle Road

Savannah, Grand Cayman

Monday, May 15, 2023

10:00 AM

**“WE HAVE HOPE!”**

**Graveside Service at Prospect**

## Order of Service

Prelude .....	Recorded Instrumental
Opening Remarks and Prayer .....	Pastor Randy Von Kanel
Songs: .....	Worship Team/Congregation
	“Amazing Grace”
	“My Chains Are Gone”
Scripture Reading .....	Pastor Randy Von Kanel
Tributes:	
Life Story/Obituary .....	Mr. Joel Scott, Jr.
“Life in Pictures” .....	Slide Loop
Song Medley: “In Christ Alone/Yet Not I” .....	Worship Team
Message: “We Have Hope!” .....	Pastor Randy Von Kanel
Song: “Hymn of Heaven” .....	Worship Team/Congregation
Benediction .....	Pastor Randy Von Kanel
Postlude.....	Recorded Instrumental

### Pallbearers

Jordan Grizzel  
Robert Watler  
Aaron Grizzel

Curtis Connor  
Raheem Whittaker  
Travis Sanchez

### Honorary Pallbearers

Kurt Grizzel  
Timmy Grizzel  
Buck Grizzel

Donavan Grizzel  
Curtis Connor  
Chuck Connor

### Ushers

Lisa McFarlane  
CIBC Worship Team

### Funeral Registry Attendants

Cynthia Hydes  
Mirta Walton

# The Life Story of CHANNAH LAKISHA CONNOR

Channah Lakisha Connor, also known to her family as Chan Chan, Punks and Channah Banana, was born on the afternoon of Thursday, 1 February 2001 in Cayman Brac, Cayman Islands to Loretta Grizzel and Channing Connor.

Channah primarily grew up in her mother's home but lived, along with her siblings Tishel Watler and Jordan Grizzel, for a time in her maternal Grandmother Alex Grizzel's house in The Rock, Cayman Brac. She also regularly spent time with her father and her paternal Grandmother Shirleymae Connor in Watering Place, Cayman Brac. There were always many cousins and friends around for Channah to study, play and of course get into mischief with.

Channah completed her primary education at West End Primary School from 2005-2012. Part of her secondary education was completed at the Layman E. Scott Sr. High School from 2012-2015. She relocated from Cayman Brac to Grand Cayman to live with her mother and sister Tishel in the summer of 2015, and continued her secondary education at the Clifton Hunter High School from 2015-2017. From 2017-2018 she completed her final year of secondary education at the Cayman Islands Further Education Centre (CIFEC) and graduated in June 2018.

During the years of her secondary education in Cayman Brac, she was a member of the debate team, placing first in the competition against the other high schools in the country. Before relocating to Grand Cayman she also entered the Claudette Upton Speech Competition twice, placing 2nd in 2012 and 3rd in 2013. While a student at the Clifton Hunter High School and CIFEC in Grand Cayman, she was a member of the Clifton Hunter High School Flight Camp and a prefect student member. She served as the president of the Alpha Leo Club from 2016-2017, and served as a member of the Lions Club until 2019. In 2016 she received the 'Proud of Them' award for community service, and had her name, photo and school details posted on a street side billboard in Frank Sound.

During her short life Channah attended church services at the Stake Bay Baptist Church, the Crossroad United Baptist Church and the Bethel Baptist Church. She especially enjoyed attending the various churches' Vacation Bible Schools and other youth programmes. As a child she was led to know Christ and accepted Him as her personal Saviour on Friday March 19th 2010 by Mrs. Bobbi Turner during one of Pastor Russell Turner's weekly "Pre-Teens" church meetings. Her family will eternally be grateful for Mrs. Turner's love and kindness to Channah.

Channah's immediate family loved to get together often and what they loved doing most together was laugh. She was the main comedian of her family and enjoyed teaming up with her siblings to trick and prank their mom, all for the purpose of laughing together. She enjoyed teaching her niece and nephews to do many funny and silly things before sending them back off to their parents to showcase what they just learned from their Auntie Chan. Christmas was Channah's favourite time of year to gather with her mom and siblings, which they mostly did at her sister Tishel's home over the past decade. Channah was normally in charge of the games and family activities. She strategically coordinated these so that it always resulted in everyone laughing. She spearheaded a lot of the birthday plans and other family gatherings, and truly enjoyed gift giving.

Channah spent her childhood years playing with her siblings, cousins and friends on the beach, exploring along the ironshore of The Rock and Watering Place and in the yards of her mother and grandmothers. She spent many happy hours playing video games with her siblings, playing with her dolls and cuddling with her pets. Not only did she enjoy playing video games as a child, but in recent years she enjoyed playing them with her niece and nephews. Her favourite colours were black, silver and red and she loved all animals but her favourites were cats. She worked in customer service at various businesses where she was noted in references for being a customer service champion with a pleasant personality, never late nor absent and quite the reliable worker. In recent years she developed an amazing skill in applying makeup to herself and her friends and family. She made plans to start cosmetology classes in June, 2023 after receiving encouragement from her mother and other family and friends who saw that her makeup skills were outstanding. Sadly, she did not get to pursue those dreams as she suddenly passed away under tragic circumstances on Sunday, 30 April 2023 at approximately 1:30am.

During her short life Channah's kind and loving personality resulted in her acquiring a significant amount of friends. Her closest friend Qia Whittaker contributed immensely to her happiness in life and shares in her family's grief. Her Grandmother Alex considered Channah to be more a daughter rather than her granddaughter due to the significant amount of time she spent in her house in her early childhood. She bravely but painfully mourns the passing of her beautiful granddaughter along with Loretta.

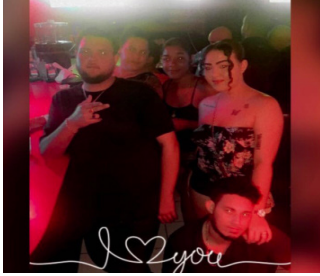
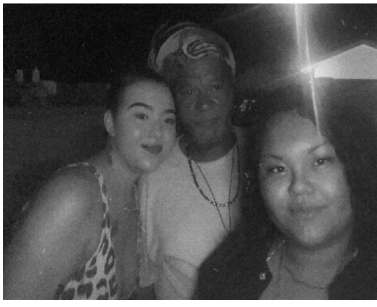
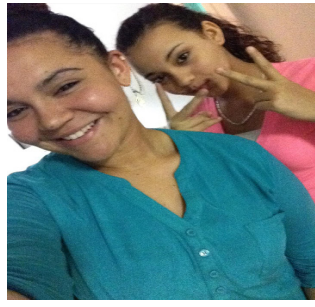
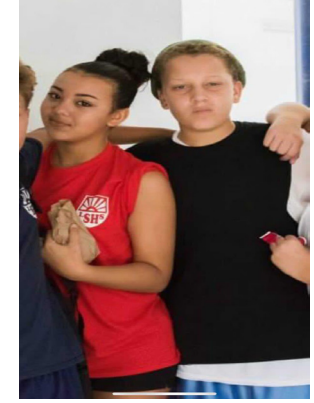
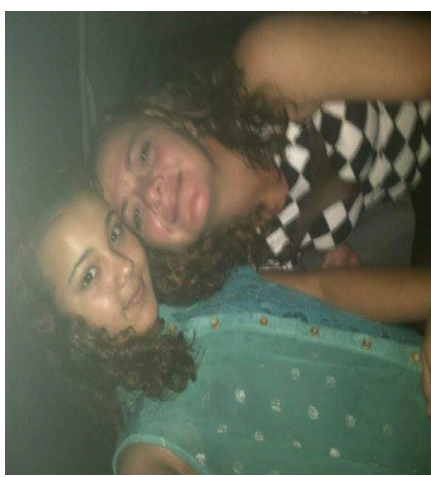
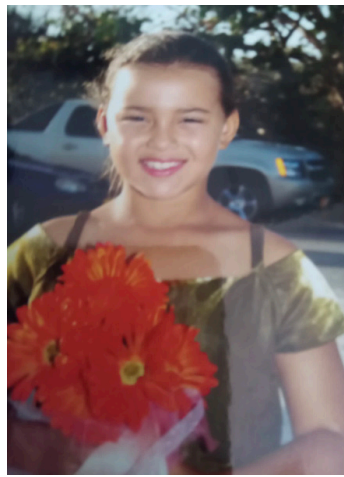
Left to mourn Channah's passing are her devoted and caring mother Loretta, father Channing, brother Jordan Grizzel, sisters Tishel Watler, Rianna Connor, Chantelle Malcolm, Zaria Connor, Robert Watler, whom she considered as her step brother, Maternal Grandmother Alex Grizzel, paternal Grandmother Shirleymae Connor, nieces Lei'a Grizzel and Evangeline Connor, nephews Jonah Robinson, Jaime Robinson and Jodin Grizzel, aunts Lona Eden, Lynn McLean, Lisa McFarlane, the Honourable Juliana O'Connor Connolly, Joyce Rogers, Jareen Connor, Jennifer Brown and Jessie Albalat, uncles Kurt Grizzel, Timmy Grizzel, Buck Grizzel, Donovan Grizzel, Curtis Connor and Chuck Connor, cousins Taylor Eden, Ricardo McLean, Kristi McLean, Tate McFarlane, Tanya Scott, Tasha McFarlane, Christian Grizzel, Ancel Grizzel, Joshua Grizzel, Amy Grizzel, Brianna Grizzel, Geoffrey Grizzel, Hayley Grizzel, Andre Grizzel-Webster, Aaron Grizzel, Ashley Grizzel, Kamaal Connolly, Kimberly Walton, Crystal Vargas, Anya Connor, Caitlin Connor, Cassidy Connor, Catrise Connor, Clarissa Connor, Michella McLaughlin, Mekita Miller, Felix Ebanks, Melicia Ebanks Andrews, Matasha Ebanks, Wezleyann Pryce, Neesa Miller, Juliany Connor, Shayla Connor, Nadine Connor, Joshua Albalat, Justin Albalat, Delia Hydes, Cynthia Hydes and Mirta Walton, step cousins Emiliana Lanza-Ponce and Abby Lanza-Ponce, brother in law Darnell Malcolm aunts in law Susan Grizzel, Kendy Grizzel, Bianca Grizzel and Christine Grizzel, uncles in law Dave Rogers, Raymond Brown, Donald Casselman and Luis Albalat. Special Aunts Ruth Grizzel, Stephanie Watler-Grizzel, Lorena Andrade, Sherry Ebanks, Jinky Banks, Janice Webb, special grand uncle and aunt Ashton and Marlene Bodden and cousin Stran Bodden, special best friend Qia Whittaker and her baby brother Kaidan Jackson, other special friends Ryan Clarke, Travis Sanchez, Jada Smith, Raheem Whittaker, and a host of other relatives and friends.

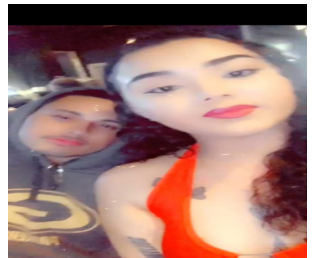
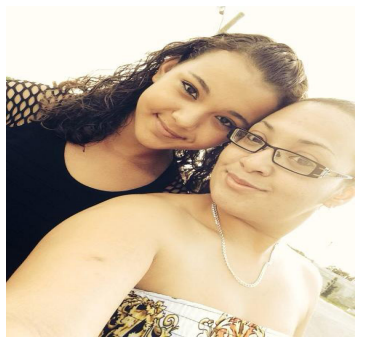
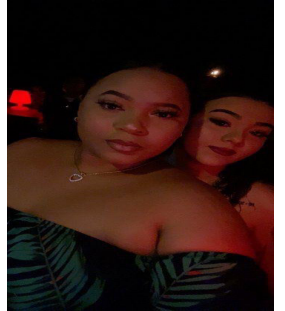
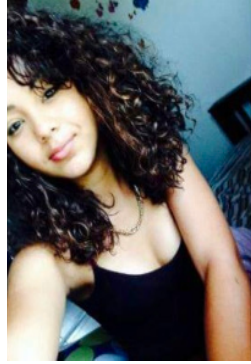
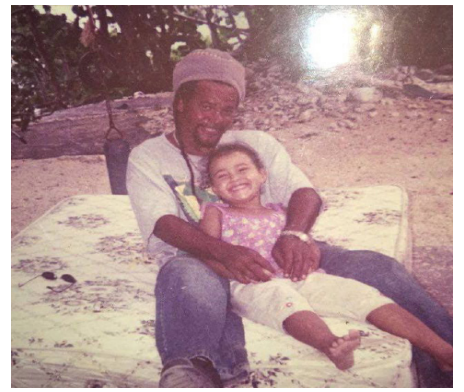
Channah was preceded in death by maternal grandfather, Gladstone Grizzel, paternal Grandfather, Charles Clemens Connor, aunt, Juliet Connor-Casselman and cousins Eric Connor and Shenni DaCosta.

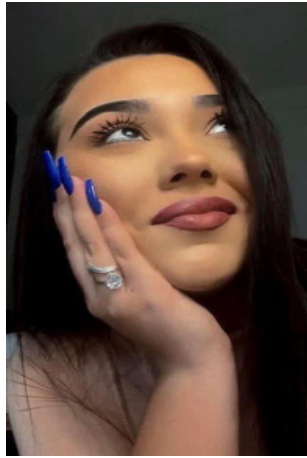
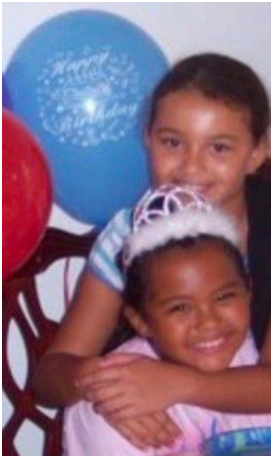
The entire Grizzel and Connor families are consoled and extremely grateful for the outpouring of condolences, prayers and kindness to them during this very difficult time in our lives. The huge number of texts, calls, social media posts and messages and gifts of flowers and meals has been overwhelming and speaks to the kind, loving and outgoing personality Channah had.

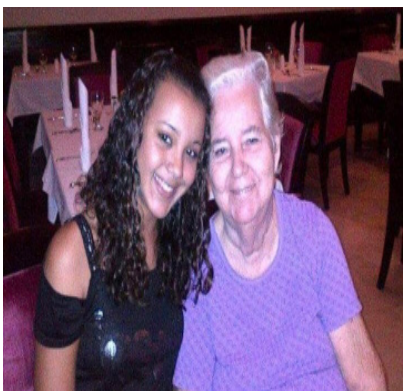
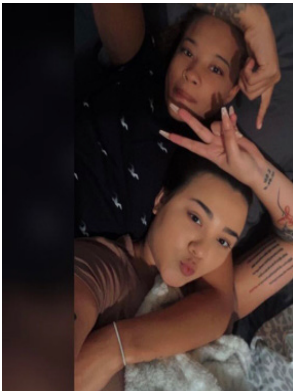
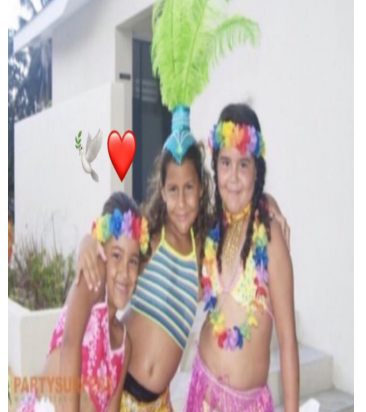
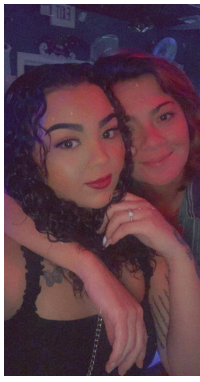
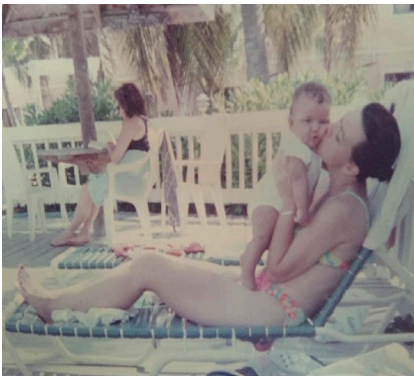
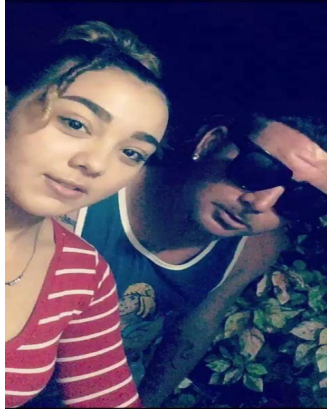
We pray that Channah can feel the outpouring of love.

May her soul now Rest in Peace.









# Graveside Service

Opening Remarks/Prayer ..... Pastor Randy Von Kanel

Special Music..... Renee and Raquel Parsons

The Committal ..... Pastor Randy Von Kanel

Selected Music

Benediction ..... Pastor Randy Von Kanel

## ***Acknowledgement***

The family of the late Channah Connor wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the first responders and staff at HSA for their care of Channah.

Thank you to Gregg Merren for his extraordinary kindness.

Please keep us in your prayers and may God bless each of you.