



Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor

January 15, 1975 - December 10, 2025

UTICA – Kim Monique “Platinum” Taylor, age 50, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, in the comfort and dignity of her home.

Born in the Bronx, NY, on January 15, 1975, Kim was the daughter of Gene C. Taylor, Sr. and the late Anita (Boyd) Taylor. She grew up and attended school in her hometown before moving to Utica in 1998 to begin the next chapter of her life. She then had the opportunity to further her studies at higher-learning institutions.

Kim and Aaron Hurst, who first met in high school, shared a relationship that brought two children into their lives.

Kim’s professional path was as vibrant as she was. She began working in at Head Start program, which inspired her to open a day care service in her home. Many would remember her in this community as a driver for City Cab—music turned up, pulling off with enthusiasm, sometimes before she even knew the destination! She also ran Platinum Catering and More, serving parties and dinners; she cooked from scratch, poured love into every dish, and treated everyone she served like family. Kim was known to be feisty and bold, never one to hold her mouth.

Kim was outgoing and loved music and dancing. She was a whiz at the

regular two-step and could always hear the beat. She enjoyed traveling, always on the road to her destinations. She was often heard saying, “keep it moving!” A fashionista, Kim was always looking her best. She dressed impeccably and wore high-heeled shoes every chance she got. She was a hard worker, playful, a jack of all trades.

As a mother, Kim was the provider and a guiding force, serious about her children’s education and ensuring they learned many skills. When she wanted their attention, like every mother, she would call them by both their first and middle names. Kim was especially excited when her grandchildren arrived, and their presence softened her in all the right ways. They lovingly called her Grandma Kim, and she encouraged them to try new things, explore, and learn a little bit of everything. Kim enjoyed the life she lived, and her family was proud of all she accomplished.

Kim is survived by her father, Gene C. Taylor, Sr.; her daughters, Aarisha “Risha” Hurst and Alexhandero “Alex” Rivera, and Quazhane “Nae Nae” Taylor and D’Angelo Thomas. Forever in her heart was the memory of her son, William St. Michael, who became an angel in 1995. She also leaves to cherish her memory her grandchildren, Quameer G. Taylor, and D’Naree M. Thomas; her siblings, Gene C. Taylor, Jr., Corey Taylor, Taneisha Taylor, Tiffany Taylor, and Kiyana Taylor; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, aunts, uncles, and cousins. She was predeceased by her memorable comrades, Chantel, DJ, and BI, and Tammy.

A Memorial Gathering in Kim’s honor will be held on Thursday, December 18, 2025, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Those unable to attend may be present virtually at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89377630148>. A final blessing will be offered at 6:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

DEC 18. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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Final Blessing

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Tribute Wall

DP

“ To Kim I am going to miss you. I meet you at a cookout at Bishop Taylor And Latasha home. We had a blast that day. You were the life of the party. Rest well just know Bishop and Latasha are in good hands. Much love mama bear Zanesville flame

Doris freshwind Peyton - December 18, 2025 at 08:51 PM

VE

“ God bless your beautiful soul. Thanks for always being kind to me. We will make sure that your nephew will know you through memories and stories. Sending my condolences to all those that were dear to you and loved you. ☐ 🕯️ 🕊️



Veronica - December 18, 2025 at 04:45 PM

JT

“ Love you sis and law always and forever mourn you till I join you 🙏🙏❤️



Johanne Taylor - December 18, 2025 at 04:09 PM

MC

“ *Melissa aka Carolinagirllugoff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor.*



Melissa aka Carolinagirllugoff - December 18, 2025 at 02:47 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor.*



December 18, 2025 at 07:49 AM

DD

“ *Kim I'm going to miss you. Especially when you came out did the radio show with me...we had so much fun. You never took any shit and I never gave you any shit. The brief time we shared together was well worth it. in that I gained a friend for life. Even after we parted we never lost any Love for each other; we let each other be who we are. Kim you were a perfect friend to me; thank you for being there. Love David Bass Dancy*

David Bass Dancy - December 17, 2025 at 02:47 PM

XS

“ *Xavier Shakur lit a candle in memory of Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor*



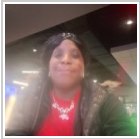
Xavier Shakur - December 15, 2025 at 01:39 AM

XS

“ *Condolence Prayer for Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor*

"Heavenly Father, we lift up the soul of Kim Monique 'Platinum' Taylor with love and reverence. May her spirit find eternal rest in Your embrace, free from pain and filled with peace. Grant comfort to those who mourn her passing, and let cherished memories bring light in times of sorrow. May her legacy of friendship and love continue to inspire us, and may we honor her by living with kindness and grace. Rest in peace, dear friend, until we meet again."

Xavier Shakur - December 15, 2025 at 01:37 AM



“ *My memory of my cousin last year my cousin popped up on me for mother's day I was so happy to see her I will always have you in my heart*

Cindy Robinson - December 13, 2025 at 08:17 PM

EE

“ *Earl Evans purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor.*



Earl Evans - December 12, 2025 at 03:34 PM

CM

“ *Sending my deepest condolences to all that loved her. May she rest peacefully.*



Cindy Marrero - December 12, 2025 at 03:06 PM

RL

“ *Ruthie Liggins lit a candle in memory of Kim Monique "Platinum" Taylor*



Ruthie Liggins - December 12, 2025 at 02:20 PM



“ *Sending prayers and condolences to the family* 🙏

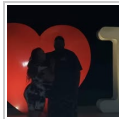


Benita Rucker - December 12, 2025 at 12:49 PM

LF

Sending my deepest condolences to the family rih kim love you

Lashawn Ford - December 12, 2025 at 01:15 PM



I am sending condolences to her family. Kim I will miss you, I will forever cherish our fun times together. See you soon.

Maria Hansome - December 12, 2025 at 01:51 PM