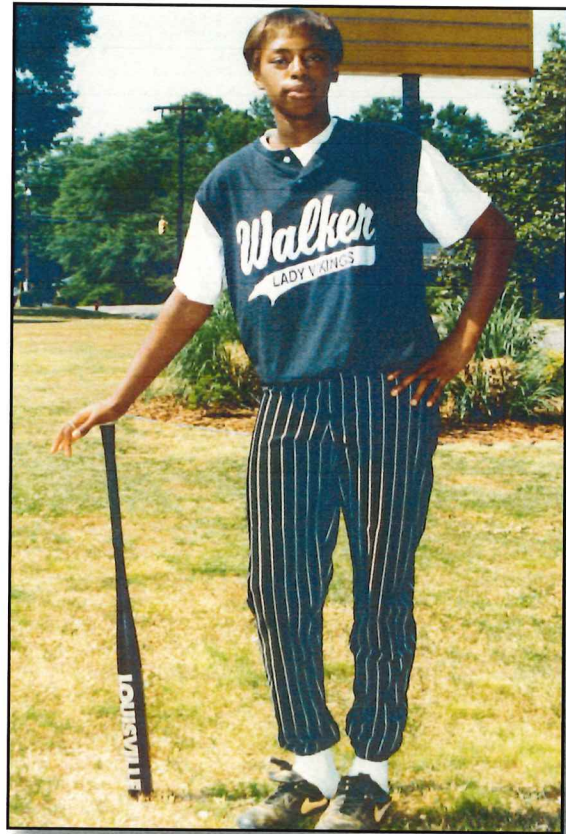


SYNISHA SMITH

SYNISHA WAS BORN SEPTEMBER 30, 1978, TO BERTHA SMITH AND WILLIAM JACKSON IN JASPER.

She and her two siblings were raised by their grandmother, after the death of their mother. Niocy played on the first girls basketball team at Maddox Middle School. She was an unusually gifted athlete who could have easily played on the boy's team. She led that first team to an undefeated 14-0 record. Niocy was a two sport letterman at Walker High School, excelling in both basketball and softball. She is arguably the best girls basketball player in the history of Walker High School. She was named to the All-State team her sophomore, junior and senior years. She was a member of the All-Metro Team all four years in high school. She averaged 18 points and 13 rebounds per game and was selected as a member of the Alabama All-Star Team. If possible, she was even better in softball, where she led the Vikings to 3 straight Alabama 6-A State Championships. She also has the distinction of setting the single season homerun record for the State of Alabama with 36 homeruns.



After graduating from Walker, Synisha received a scholarship to play basketball at Shelton State, where she was named to the first team All-Conference. She averaged 23 points and 9 rebounds per game and was ranked as the 3rd leading scorer in the U.S. Niocy then transferred to Eastern Kentucky University to play basketball for the Lady Colonels. During two years at ECU, she earned the Ohio Valley Conference "New Comer of the Year" Award while being ranked 2nd on the team and 10th in the OVC in blocked shots. She led the lady Colonels to two OVC Champions and played in the Women's Invitational Tournament. Niocy received her Bachelor's of Arts Degree and moved to Birmingham where she works for the Department of Corrections. She now plays for the "Alabama Fire" a Professional Women's Tackle Football Team, a member of the WNFC (Women's National Football Conference). She led them to the finals of the National Conference Championship.