

Amber Rose Isaac 02/23/94-04/21/2020.

My name is Bruce McIntyre III and I lost my life partner Amber Rose Isaac due to an unscheduled C- Section that stemmed from medical negligence.

Amber was an inspiration to many, a leader amongst her peers & an innovator whom was going to shape the world one way or another. She was one of the most caring people I have ever encountered in my entire life, she has empowered me in ways others couldn't.

Amber Rose Isaac received her bachelors degree in psychology May 2018 from Concordia College with desires to introduce art therapy to the youth & communities of the Bronx/ Harlem.

She became head teacher as an Early Life educator at Issny in Harlem where she captured the hearts & minds of children.

Amber being a native from the Bronx, she is no stranger to the conditionings that had been bestowed upon under privileged communities & how that has effected families today causing generational trauma to ripple down.

Amber related and empathized for the children & families she interacted with and always wished there were better ways to help families who may be struggling. Amber believed that by saving the mind of the youth we could break the cycles & redirect the course of everyones future.

In 2019 Amber Rose Isaac went back to Concordia college to earn her Masters Degree for Business Development. She was determined to create a school program or business to better serve under privileged families providing extra curriculum activities that would boost their education. She wanted to help the youth discover their talents & career paths they could grow liking to. Granting parents to have more time to work with the reassurance of job security and not have to worry about lack of childcare & education. Eventually Amber wanted to open a school that would give the children in the community a fair chance & guidance through their academics. She was set to finish her Masters program May 2020 and was going to walk the stage December 2020.

September 27,th 2019 we were very excited to find out we were expecting our first child together & planned for a lifetime ahead. We had high hopes for introducing our first child together into a world filled with love, family & friends. Elias Isaac McIntyre due: May 30th, 2020.

During Ambers very first appointment with her OBGYN at Montefiore Moses in the Bronx. We felt like we were being judged about our martial status, The OBGYN would made comments on us having a child while unmarried however Amber and I had plans to get married in court and save for a wedding. We were deeply involve and planned for this child August 11th 2019 before finding out she was pregnant in Septemeber.

We figured we were going to be in good hands considering the fact that Ambers mother was working at Montefiore Einstein (also in the Bronx) for 26 years out of Ambers 25 years of life, we thought we were safe with an inside source.

Months go by and Amber was dealing with a great deal of incompetence from the Doctors as well as the staff down to their Receptionists. I was lucky my job gave me the leniency to take Amber to all of her appointments. I started noticing In December 2019 Ambers conditioning was starting to weaken, she was voicing her concerns to her OBGYN where she was going unheard and unseen even while advocating for herself.

Before the Pandemic I was working as a Financial Loan Advisor on Wall Street in the 40 exchange building next to the New York Stock Exchange. In Early February 2020 we received calls about the New York Stock Exchange crashing 3 times within a months span for the first time in history due to the covid outbreak in China. We were told this was going to be worse than the Great Depression, so we started to prepare for the worst.

Amber being an Early Life Educator, was very concerned for her health being in her 2nd trimester. At the peek of the pandemic when businesses were having talks of shutting down, Ambers school wanted to remain open. Parents were sending their sick children to school without a Doctors note & the school was allowing it so they could make up for money they had lost. There were children coughing, sneezing, rubbing saliva on her, kicking Amber in the stomach as she bends and picks up children. With her health

deteriorating at a rapid pace (that we had no knowledge of). Amber was having troubles breathing as she was have to take children up and down stairs.

We were trying to get Amber set up with early FMLA (job security). Due to her conditioning getting worse. She wanted to leave In April instead of May which was the original month our son Elias was due. She expressed all of her health concerns with her OBGYN. Her OBGYN then stated...

“well there are pregnant women working in our office, so why shouldn’t you be able to work?” ..

That showed me the OBGYN was not being attentive to Amber nor tailoring her needs. Meanwhile there were white women whom were due after Amber, who were getting early disability & fmla. The OBGYN wrote “Amber wants to leave for PERSONAL reasons” on Ambers FMLA forms. HR from Ambers job Denied the FMLA request so we had to go through the process again this time getting her mother involved who was also a Montefiore representative. Instead of the OBGYN then being attentive to Ambers needs, she was more worried about who Ambers mother was and what her relationship was to Montefiore. She then told Amber the only way she’d get early FMLA is if she seen a high risk doctor (which is the only reason a high risk doctor was ever brought up but not appointed).

Late February going into March the hospitals were trying to end in person visits and switch over to Telehealth where she was even further ignored. They told her “ well you’ve become anemic & MIGHT have Preeclampsia, take iron pills and monitor your own blood pressure”.

Amber still expressed her concerns during every appointment & where she was still being ignored and neglected throughout all of March. The neglect got so Bad that we decided to interview Midwives & doulas, people who could be more attentive to Ambers dire needs. We waited for Ambers February blood results to be updated in . online results App through Montefiore which we didn’t receive until April 3rd 2020. We sent the results to our midwife where she made the discovery that Ambers platelet levels had been deteriorating since December 19th 2019. Our midwife was confused to why Amber was not being seen in person every single week until her delivery date. There were multiple Doctors signing off on her paper work as if

everything was fine. Unfortunately Amber was too high risk to have a home birth nor was she able to go to a birthing center due to the neglect affecting her health.

We were forced to go back to the hospitals this time going to the other Montefiore facility her mother was working at, where she was promised care. She was appointed a high risk doctor that she had never even met. Blood work went missing from Ambers lab appointments on April 17th where she finally was fed up made her final tweet wanting to write a tell about the negligence and incompetence she had been dealing with during her whole pregnancy at Montefiore. This high risk doctor canceled an appointment that may have saved Ambers life and rescheduled her for April 24th 2020.

We received a call on April 18th at 8:30am that Amber had to come in immediately for treatment after realizing last minute how far she had been neglected, expecting to give birth that weekend. Ambers High Risk doctor never showed up and passed her over to a much younger doctor (which I'm not even sure if that doctor was a surgeon or a resident) We weren't even able to have a midwife or doula in the hospital with us. During her weekend in the hospital they kept telling her "you either have covid or preeclampsia" even though they tested her for covid twice and came back negative. They didn't even allow me to be with her until her last day on April 20th when they had to induce Ambers labor (40 days before original due date) when they discovered she had (HELLP) a serious complication of high blood pressure during pregnancy. Hemolysis, elevated liver enzymes, low platelet count. Many women are diagnosed with preeclampsia beforehand. Her platelet count was under 25 and her blood was water like and unable to clot. They used the sense of urgency to perform an emergency C Section to push Amber into the arms of immoral & irrational decision making. During the C section they cut Amber open 3 times knowing her blood was unable to clot. They cut her for the c section, they thought she was bleeding from her Uterus so they performed a hysterectomy for no reason just to find out that's not where the bleeding was coming from, then they cut her chest open to massage her heart manually for 2 hours. Amber bled out as soon as they cut her open and her heart stopped, Amber was butchered.

Due to "covid regulations" they left my name off the death certificate as well as her mothers whom was a long standing representative for Montefiore. They also added that her body be sent to Hart Island where they were dumping the covid patients even though she did not have covid. Her death certificate was never signed by a medical

examiner & the autopsy was performed by the High Risk Doctor that she never even got to me (which is a huge conflict). The funeral homes had a waiting list for 4-5 months due to the pandemic so I had to act fast before they threw Amber in the back of an ice truck and dumped her in a hole. Luckily a funeral director noticed my advocacy work and helped us get Amber the proper burial.

Instead of receiving help from Governor Cuomos Maternal Task force as promised. Andrew Cuomo created an executive order trying to grant the doctors who killed Amber Immunity & tried to block families like mine from taking legal action & the hospital has prolonged me being on my sons birth certificate as well which has also prolonged help for son.

Ambers death is non covid related (she was being neglected before covid) but a longstanding biased systemic issue. After speaking with numerous surgeons around the world, I discovered that even though Amber gave birth a month and 10 days premature, there was still the option of pulling my son out 6 weeks prior to that & I would have them both in my life, no option like that was ever presented to us. I've also discovered that black women are 12x more likely to die than white women during childbirth. 60% of these women do not need c sections (were talking more than half) but are still being cut open for greed. Underfunded privately owned hospitals started to increase their c section rates as a way to accommodate for budget cuts. This then becomes a surgical issue where the hospital makes an extra 8,000 for a c section versus what they would make for a natural birth therefore putting profit over people.

I've created the saveArose Foundation in Ambers honor to dismantle the systemic flaws within the healthcare system & redirect the course of birthing equity pushing for a midwifery led birthing center & making widwifery/ doula care more affordable/ accessible care for the underserved members of our community.

Since then I've had to become a Birthworker, Doctor, Educator, human/ civil/ reproductive/ community activist and ive also had to do your jobs and become a politician as well gathering Senators, state legislators, city council members, members of congress including Vice President Kamala Harris. Being a tax payer you'd think there are systems in place for families like mine to protect us. After speaking with numerous politicians I've realized I can't just share my concerns that I actually have to sit down

with my team and create bills on our own and fight to get them passed just so we can have safer birthing outcomes.

Amber Rose Isaac was set to finish her Masters Program In May, 2020. Our son Elias would have been able to see his Mother receive her Masters Degree December, 2020. A moment promised to us that has now forever been altered due to racial bias & medical neglect & I will not let her hard work & accomplishments go in vain.

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Best,

Bruce McIntyre III

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