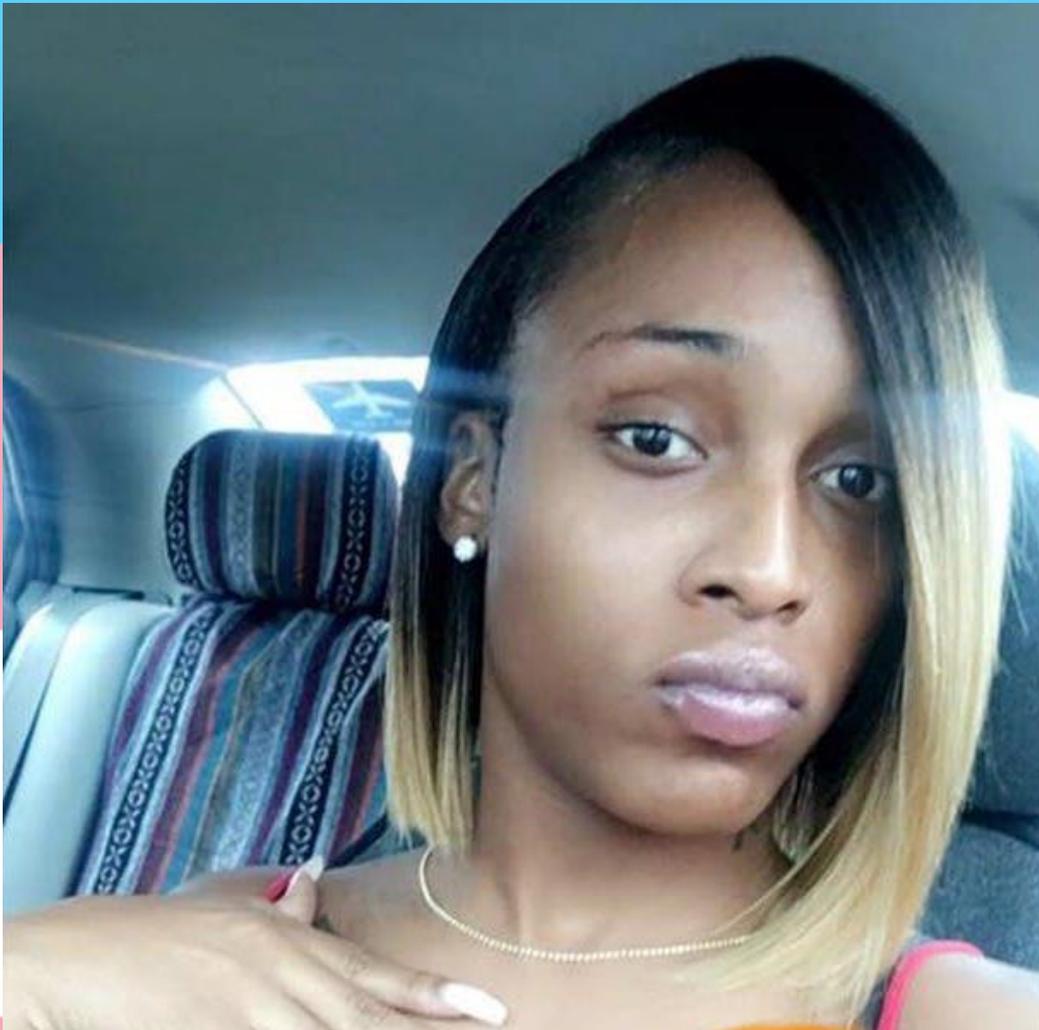




## *Vontashia Bell, 18*

**A fan of video games and fashion, Vontashia is the youngest transgender person who has been murdered in 2018. Vontashia was fatally shot on August 30 in a neighborhood of Shreveport, Louisiana. The Louisiana Trans Advocates organization released a statement condemning the shooting and calling on the city's leaders to help curb the violence against the trans community.**



## *Dejanay Stanton, 24*

“Every time you saw her she had a smile on her face,” said LaSaia Wade, executive director of Brave Space Alliance. “She was just trying to live her best life as a young girl.” Dejanay was found with a fatal gunshot wound to the head on August 30 in Chicago, Illinois. After an autopsy, her death was ruled a homicide and the investigation is ongoing.



## *Shantee Tucker, 30*

Friends and family honored Shantee's life and mourned her death on Facebook, recalling that she was like "another big sister" to them and remembering her "beautiful spirit and fun aura." Shantee was found with a fatal gunshot wound in the back in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on Sept. 5.



## *Londonn Moore, 20*

Londonn is remembered by her family and other loved ones, who described her as “hilarious” and someone who “made everyone laugh all the time.”

Londonn was found dead of multiple gunshot wounds in a remote area of North Port, Florida on Sept. 8.



## *Nikki Enriquez, 28*

**Nikki, who also went by the name Janelle, is survived by numerous loved ones that were “sad and in disbelief” at her death. Cousin Veronica Castillo described Nikki as a “very outgoing” person who loved to party and was beloved by the local LGBTQ community. Nikki was one of four women killed in Sept. in what local officials describe as a “serial killing spree” allegedly carried out by an intel supervisor for the U.S. Border Patrol.**



## *Ciara Minaj Carter Frazier, 31*

Ciara is remembered by friends and loved ones, who said that she will “always be missed.” According to LaSaia Wade, Executive Director of Brave Space Alliances Ciara was a regular participant in the city’s Black LGBTQ ballroom scene. Ciara was fatally stabbed and her body left behind an abandoned building by a man with whom she was arguing on October 3 in Chicago, Illinois. Chicago police declared Ciara’s death a homicide after appearing on the scene.



## *Jessie Sumlar, 30*

Jessie was a cosmetologist, worked at a hair salon and had Studied Cosmetology at Florida State College at Jacksonville. According to loved ones, Sumlar regularly performed in drag and identified as queer. On their facebook, Jessie wrote, “Thk about success today where u been and where u trying to go, no trying is without distance and no success without trying.” On July 19, Jessie was found stabbed to death in Jacksonville, Florida.



## *Roxsana Hernandez, 33*

**Roxsana passed away while in the custody of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement after fleeing violence and discrimination in Honduras. Roxsana was in a caravan of Central American migrants, including several dozen other transgender women fleeing persecution in their respective countries. Calls have been made by trans activist organizations for investigation into the cause of Roxsana's death, including whether discriminatory bias toward transgender and/or gender non-conforming people played a motivating factor.**