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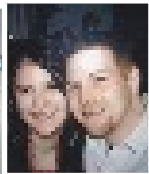
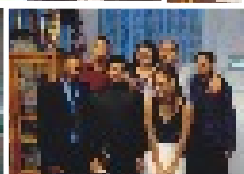
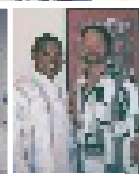
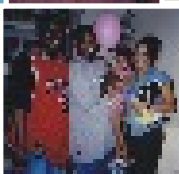
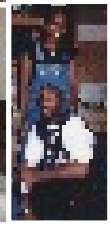
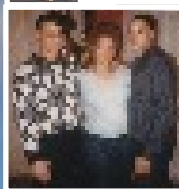
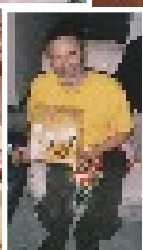
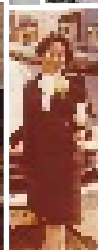
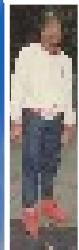
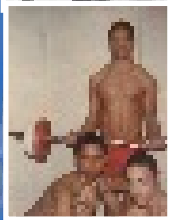
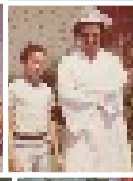
**Leon H. "A.L." Irving III**

*Sunrise*  
*August 17, 1970*

*Sunset*  
*January 25, 2013*

*Service*  
*Saturday, February 2, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.*

***Serenity Baptist Church***  
*132 North 1 street*  
*Paterson, New Jersey*  
***Rev. Adolphus C. Ross, Officiating***



## Reflections of Life



**Leon H. "A. L." Irving, III** was born August 17, 1970 to Willie Nell Jenkins and the late Leon H. Irving, Jr.

**Leon** was born and raised in Paterson, New Jersey, where he graduated from Public School # 28 and John F. Kennedy High School in 1988. He was a member of Gilmore Memorial Church, under the leadership of the late Reverend-Doctor Arlene Gilmore, where he sang in the youth choir. In 2006, he attended Essex County College, majoring in Computer Science. He later graduated from Jersey Tractor Trailer Training School in 2007. Bodybuilding became an inspiration in his later adult life, which led him to inspire students at Essex County College to reach their fullest potential.

**Leon** could always be found giving out advice to anyone who would listen. He loved sports and his favorite teams were the Dallas Cowboys and the Los Angeles Lakers. During each sports season, **Leon**, his mom, and cousin Elmont (by phone) would enjoy watching football and basketball and cheering on their favorite teams every Sunday.

**Leon** is survived and will be remembered by his mom, Willie Jenkins (Paterson, NJ); His **daughter**, Shaquanda Irving-Jones (3 granddaughters-De'Yahna, De'Yari, Dallas) of West Palm Beach, Florida. His **sister**, Shanell "Red" Irving; **favorite nephew-Joseph** "Joe Joe" Moore, Jr; **favorite niece-Emoni J. Brown** all of Paterson, New Jersey. The Love of his life- Sabrina Shaw, Cleveland, Ohio. His cousin (like a brother)-Elmont Fowler (Aisha), Pennsylvania. **Step-sister**, Kim Red; **Step-brothers-** Cory Alexander, Darin Jackson (Tenesha), and Dwayne Moyd. **Aunts:** Julia Jenkins Brown, Florida; Sarah Jenkins Yates, Illinois; Marietta (Polly) O'Connor, California; Robin Irving, Pennsylvania; Janet "Baby Auntie-Jackie" Watson, New Jersey. **Uncles:** John Jenkins, Sr. (NY), Wilbert (NJ) and William Jenkins, Jr. (FL); Godmother, Maria Pe'na and Wilma Moore; **Close friends:** Julia Brimely, Glenn "Pudd" Saunders, Robert "Red" Smith, Richard "Dickie" Pless, Anthony "Spider" Boyd, Antonio Phillips, and Jerome Cheatam; and a host of relatives and friends.



# Order of Service



Spiritual Moderator.....Rev. Robert Howell

Scripture

Old Testament ..... Rev. Julia Floyd

New Testament ..... Sis. Alice Blount

Prayer .....Rev. Robert Howell

Song .....Evangelist Shelby Mack

Poem .....Sis. Lottie Bethune

Expressions

Song .....Johnathan

Obituary

Eulogy .....Rev. Adolphus Ross

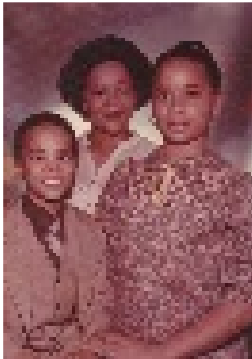
Song ..... Anthony Fuller

Closing .....Rev. Adolphus Ross

*Friends are invited to join the family for a repast at  
the Serenity Baptist Church fellowship hall.*



# I'm Free



*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day.  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*



## Acknowledgement

*The family of the late **Leon H. Irving III** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

*May God Bless and Keep You!*

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