



In Loving Memory of

Robert M. Crawford, Jr.

Sunrise
February 23, 1959

Sunset
July 9, 2014

Service
Thursday, July 17, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

Whigham Funeral Home
580 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Newark, New Jersey

Obituary



Robert M. Crawford, Jr. was born in Newark, NJ on February 23, 1959 to the late Robert M. Crawford, Sr. and Della M. Crawford. He attended Miller Street School and graduated from Malcom X Shabazz High School in 1977.

Robert has always loved playing football, basketball, and music. Known as “Magic”, he played tailback and cornerback with his neighborhood football team. He tried playing the saxophone in 7th grade, but decided that it wasn’t for him. In 8th grade he was introduced to the bass guitar by the late saxophonist William Phipps. That instrument was made for him. He has performed with several bands in the Newark area every since then. He was known as “Whoop” or “Thump” and made a name for himself for his funky, slap and thumping bass playing style.

Robert also began working for the Newark Public Library in 1979, where he has worked as a library assistant the past 35 years.

Robert is survived by daughter, Alexis Crawford; brother, Howard E. Crawford; granddaughter, Zakiyah Smith; long time companion, Sandra Davis; uncles, Robert Forte (Newark, NJ), Joseph Forte (Washington, DC), Christopher Forte (Flower Mound, TX); aunt, Lucile Sharpe (Florence, NJ); and a host of cousins and friends.



Order of Service

Processional

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer

Hymn

Obituary & Acknowledgments

Remarks

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.

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