

In Loving Memory of  
*Jonathan Jones*

*“Jazzy/Lion”*

*Sunrise*  
April 9, 1961

*Sunset*  
June 1, 2015

Service

Tuesday, June 9, 2015 - 12:00 Noon

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## *Obituary*

**Jonathan David Jones** was born on April 9, 1961 to Donald and Jacqueline Jones.

Jonathan was born and raised in Harlem, and graduated from Martin Luther King High School. He was always interested in music, he was a successful DJ and rapper and played in Manhattan and Bronx clubs. He was a health enthusiast and exercised regularly.

Jonathan worked for many years for Friedman and Sanchez Law Firm as a paralegal. Jonathan was a philosopher, he was well read and self taught. He was a member of organizations seeking reparations for African Americans and upliftment of the African American community.

He was passionate about educating himself on the history of the African race, the history of the Africans place in America and his ancestry.

Jonathan was deeply spiritual and explored several religions. He believed there was an universal God. He believed in honoring his ancestors and family members who predeceased him. Jonathan loved his family and he was loved dearly by them.

Jonathan was considered a leader, a friend, an advocate, an advisor and a good man by anyone who knew him. He was animated, funny and loved life and the journey life had taken him on.

His children, Jalani and Amasiah were his pride and joy. His nieces and nephews were equally important. Jonathan stressed the importance of family connection. Although he had a wide circle of friends there were several he considered brothers, Kevin, Adonis, John Rico, Johnny C, Boobie, Craig, Charlie, Marvin and Barry.

Jonathan transitioned peacefully unto his spiritual journey on June 1, 2015. He joins his father, Donald Jones, grandmother, Elizabeth Jones who raised him and grandmother, Elizabeth Jenkins, also aunts, Juanita Maddox, Juanita Jones and Marlene Mack.

He is survived by: his mother, Jacqueline Jones; son, Amasiah Dawiyd; aunt, Evelyn Whitaker; uncle, Henry Allen; brother, Jeffrey Jones; sisters, Patricia Jones, Laila Watson-El, Tracey Sinclair-Monroe and Natasha Franklin; and a host of other relatives and friends.

# *Order of Service*

*Processional*

*Selection*

*Scripture Readings*

*Prayer*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements*

*Remarks*

*Obituary*

*Selection*

*Eulogy*

*Committal*

*Viewing*

*Recessional*

*Final Disposition*

Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York

# *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 acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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