

Celebration of Life For

Michael Alonzo De Vore
"Shoes"

Sunrise

April 29, 1957



Sunset

October 25, 2015



Reflections of Life

Michael Alonzo DeVore A.K.A. “Cool Shoes,” was born on April 29th 1957, in Paterson New Jersey; to the late James Fields and Elizabeth DeVore.

He attended St. Luke Baptist Church in Paterson NJ, where he was baptized at an early age. He was educated in the Paterson School system, and graduated from Eastside High School.

Because of his love for helping others, Michael volunteered his services at various food pantries. He later became Food Manager at C.U.M.A.C. in Paterson New Jersey, where he was a faithful, and dedicated employee for over 22 years.

During his journey in life, Michael was joined in holy matrimony to Debra Ann McNeal.

Michael, who was called “Shoes” by many, was loving, laid back, and was cool as ice. Michael was a huge sports fan, he was especially a die-hard “Dallas Cowboys” fanatic.

He was predeceased by his father, James Fields, mother, Elizabeth DeVore, son, Michael Christopher DeVore Jr., three sisters, Carol Ann DeVore McKinney, Ann Fields, and Cynthia Fields, two brothers, Eddie “Butch” DeVore and Ronald “Peanut” DeVore.

Michael was called home on October 25, 2015, after a long and tremulous fight at St. Joseph’s Wayne Hospital in Wayne, New Jersey.

He leaves to cherish wonderful memories: his wife, Debra McNeal DeVore; three daughters, Sheresse Culbreath of Miami, Florida, Kaity Washington of Florence, South Carolina and Shenita Davis of Paterson, New Jersey; one step-daughter, Briana McNeal, and one step-son, Anthony Lockett; three granddaughters, ZiNyah McLaurie, Ciara Griffin, and Shamari Crawford; five grandsons, NaSir, and Jamil Crawford, Elijah McGill, Cephus Griffin, and Ziyhon McLaurin; three sisters, Yolanda DeVore-Young of Paterson, New Jersey, Priscilla “Diane” DeVore of Reading, PA, and Yvonne Fields of Beaufort, South Carolina; seven brothers, Alfonzo DeVore, Stanley DeVore, and Rodney DeVore all of Paterson, New Jersey, Darryl DeVore of Teaneck, New Jersey and David DeVore of Charlotte, North Carolina, Jack Powell and Oliver “Baby” Powell of Beaufort, South Carolina; three sisters-in-law, Pamela DeVore, DeAnna DeVore, and Terry DeVore; mother-in-law, Ernestine McNeal, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Saturday, October 31, 2015 - 2:00 p.m.

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Prayer of Comfort..... Minister Jason T. Mitchell

Selection..... Minister of Music, Michael Butler

Reflection of Life/Acknowledgements/
Obituary.....Reverend Dr. Kay Banks

Selection.....David Baker

EulogyPastor Karen Baker
Olivet Good Shepherd Church

Recessional

Cremation

Cedar Lawn Crematory

Paterson, New Jersey

Immediately following the funeral, the family will receive family and friends at the Masonic Temple for the repast.

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.



Acknowledgement

The family of **Michael DeVore** acknowledges with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

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