



*In  
Loving  
Memory  
of*

*J'Ron Shalem Franklin*

*Sunrise: July 21, 1979*

*Sunset: December 8, 2015*

Saturday, December 19, 2015 - 2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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## Obituary

**I'Ron Shalem Franklin** was born on July 21, 1979. He came into the world five minutes before his twin sister, Idesha and two and a half years after his older sister, Inderia, to parents, Roxanne and Lewis. He was born in Harlem, New York City.

Growing up I'Ron and his sisters were raised between The Bronx and Harlem, finally settling on 149th Street between Eighth Avenue and Bradhurst, with his mom and step-dad. He went to school in Manhattan, where he was very intelligent and excelled in his grades. He was a very inquisitive child and was interested in history and technology. He graduated high school with honors. I'Ron went to Apex Technical School and studied welding. He worked at various construction jobs and loved what he did.

Everyone that knew I'Ron loved him. He was fun loving and smart. He was also known to most of his friends as "Gator" or "The Grinch."

I'Ron was called home on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at home in Staten Island, New York. He is now with his twin sister, Idesha, his father, Lewis, step-dad, Hamblin and cousin, Tracy.

I'Ron is survived by: his mother, Roxanne Whitten; his sister, Inderia Franklin; his nieces, India and Ileah; his nephews, Isaiah, Ilijah and Ian; and a host of other relatives and friends.



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