In Loving Memory of



Byron Gibbs

Sunrise April 15, 1963

Sunset July 4, 2016

Service

Tuesday, July 12, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

MARANATHA BAPTIST CHURCH

112-42 Springfield Blvd. • Queens Village, New York 11429

Pastor A'Kim Beecham, Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Byron E. Gibbs born on April 15, 1963 to John and Thelma Gibbs. He was born and raised in Harlem, New York. Byron always was a studious young man.

He was accepted and graduated from the specialized program at Brooklyn Technical High School in 1981. He went on to further his education at Monmouth College in New Jersey.

Byron chose New York City Transit as his means to provide for his family. He became a dedicated conductor of the MTA for 22 years. Byron, known to many as "Bee," was an avid basketball and baseball fan. He loved to play, watch, side-line coach, and instilled all of his knowledge into his sons and nephews. As a young man his game was often reminded to some as Earl "The Goat." Bee with his great sense of humor and trash talking to his sons would say, "Back in my day, when I stepped on the court I believed I could fly and sometimes touch the sky."

Byron often said, "I will forever be a New Yorker." Coupled with his favorite color of blue, there's no surprise that blue, orange, and white ran through his veins, as well as the NY Knicks and NY Yankees. It would be a rare event when you would see him without his blue Yankee cap.

Bee valued family first and he loved his new cars, concerts, dining out, piña coladas, being well groomed, and traveling yearly. His friends said, "Bee kept you smiling with his two common sayings, "I hear that" and "That's that B.S." Bee, always young-hearted, preferred to be called Dad, not "Pops" and GP, not "grandpa."

Byron was survived by parents; 4 kids: Kimani, Faith, Khaliq, and Kazia; 4 Step-Children: Nakia, Tameka, Christopher Jr. (preceded in death) and Anthony; Grandchildren: Najia, Khaliq Jr, Nycere and Na-shay; his companion for the last 11 years, Maria "Mi" Ramsey; 2 brothers: Eugene and Daryl; 8 sisters: Deborah, Pat, Margo, Denise, Robin (preceded in death), Tracey, Kim, and Crystal; 2 sisters-in-law: Tesha and Diane; 1 brother-in-law: Antonio; 15 nieces and nephews: DeShawn (preceded in death), Morgan, Tasha, Eugene Jr., Latoya, Daniel, LaVonya, Kisha, Raheem, Tifford, Trinity, LaKeisha, Kristen, Autumn, and Mekhi; and a host of great nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Byron, job well done. Your life was a blessing. Your memory is a treasure. You are loved beyond words and will be missed beyond measure.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Hymn of Comfort

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament: Psalms 27

New Testament: 1st Corinthian 15:50-55

Prayers of Comfort

Acknowledgements

Reading of Obituary...... Pat Gibbs

Solo......Valerie Flake

Eulogy

Musical Selection

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

We knew little that day God would call your name. In life we loved you dearly. In death we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone, for a part of us went with you the day God called you home. We're left with loving memories of the time we had with you, and feel your love around us in everything we do. Our family chain is broken and our lives are not the same. But as God calls us one by one the chain will link again.

Acknowledgements

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May God Bless and Keep You!

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