

In Loving Memory of Johnnie Lewis, Jr.



Sunrise
November 17, 1956



Sunset
September 14, 2016

Service

Saturday, September 24, 2016 - 9:30 a.m.

GILMORE'S CHAPEL

191-02 Linden Blvd. • St. Albans, New York 11412

Pastor Jay Gooding, Officiating

Lawrence Edwards, Organist

Obituary

Johnnie Lewis, Jr. was born November 17, 1956 to Eula Wiggs and Johnnie Lewis in Brooklyn, New York at St. John's Hospital.

Johnnie, Jr. graduated from Hillcrest High School in Jamaica Queens. Johnnie, Jr. began his professional career as a Printing Specialist and later transitioned into the field of construction where he spent the remainder of his career as a Concrete Laborer with Local 20. In addition to his professional career he was "Mr. Fix It". You could call him to repair anything.

Johnnie, Jr. enjoyed life to the fullest. He was always the life of the party. When he was around, you were assured a good time from his jokes and impersonations. You always knew when he got that mischievous look on his face that he was about to say or do something that would make everyone laugh; His comedy was infectious. He loved 70's R&B and liked to dress. Everyone knew he liked to dance, but had no moves. Johnnie, Jr. enjoyed trips to Atlantic City, fishing, basketball, and cooking. He was the man on the BBQ grill and enjoyed making his specialty dishes (biscuits, turkey, and sweet potato pie).

Johnnie Jr. was very family oriented. He loved his children deeply and granddaughters who had their own affectionate name for him. He had a special relationship with his Brother Reggie. As children the two of them were inseparable. Everyone would refer to them as a pair, "Reggie and Jr.", rather than individuals. He loved sweets especially his sister, Margie's, German chocolate cake. He was extremely proud of his baby sister Jennifer and took his role as her big Brother seriously. Johnnie Jr. was loyal to his friends and had a big heart. Everyone knew they could depend on him and referred to him as the neighborhood Watchman and Mayor of the block who made everyone feel safe, including the kids in the neighborhood who he taught how to ride a bike. Words used to describe him include funny, caring, charismatic, and generous.

Johnnie Jr. is loved by his parents: Johnnie (preceded in death) and Eula; two children: Johnnie Lewis the 3rd and LaToya Greene; four step children: Andre Saunders (preceded in death), Alisha Wrencher, Monique Pender, and Angelique Wise; two grandchildren: Jazmyn Greene and Zamyia Lewis; his companion, Karen Campbell-Tate; three siblings: Reginald Lewis, Margie McGee, and Jennifer Lewis; three step siblings: Ephram Byrd, Jr., Susie Byrd, and Theresa Williford; two nephews: Abdul Aliyy, and Brandon Lewis; three nieces: Dawn Radatts, Nikida Williams, and Rebekah Josey; three Aunts: Bertha Lewis, Maddie Wilson, and Delores Kelly; two Uncles: Clarence Lomax and James Wilson ; friend and ex-wife Penny Wrencher; and a host of cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Processional Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament: Isaiah 33:24A

New Testament: Revelations 21:3 & 4

Prayers of Comfort

Musical Selection.....Jonathan Wiggs

Reading of the Obituary.....Jazmyn Greene and Zanya Lewis

Poem.....Angelique Wise

Reflections(2 minutes please)

Musical Selection.....Gregory Campbell

The Eulogy

Musical Selection.....Jonathan Wiggs and Gregory Campbell

The Benediction

Final Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Forest Green Park
Morganville, New Jersey

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.
-Helen Lowrie Marshall*

Acknowledgement from the Family of Johnnie Lewis, Jr.

There are no words to convey our sincere gratitude. We wish to express our appreciation for the cards, telephone calls, visits, flowers, and prayers that has provided strength and comfort during this difficult time.

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