

NEW YORK



A Celebration of Life

For

Bernard Issac Davis

Sunrise

November 12, 1954

Sunset

January 19, 2017



Reflections of Life

Bernard Issac “Duck” Davis, the third son of the late Mr. Thomas Davis and Mrs. Dorothy (Manigault) Davis was born on November 12, 1954 in Green Pond, South Carolina. He departed this life on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at his residence in Passaic, New Jersey.

Bernard attended the public school system of Paterson, namely School #18 and Eastside High School, from which he graduated in 1972. He graduated from Passaic County Community College in 1974.

At an early age, he attended Star of Hope Mission in downtown Paterson and frequented other religious homes throughout his life.

He loved to dress; becoming a well-loved paper boy to earn extra money, ensuring he stayed ahead of the fashion game. He was an avid sports fan, basketball (New York Knicks his favorite team) being his all-time favorite. He and his brothers, along with other “5th Ave Boys” would travel to different basketball courts in the city and in the surrounding areas, challenging all takers. He never gave up on life even as his health began to fail. He was a fixture of both the Passaic and Paterson communities. Although born in the South, he never quite lost his Southern drawl but he learned to embellish it with a Northeastern flare that was strictly his own. Always a seeker of knowledge, he was a keen reader and researcher, and he was knowledgeable on many subjects. He would engage anyone with days upon days of trivia.

Bernard was united in holy matrimony to his longtime girlfriend, Ms. Donna Mason on November 11, 1988. Two children were born of this union.

He was preceded in death by his eldest brother Thomas (Tommie) Davis.

He leaves to cherish precious memories, three children, Harlem Davis and Shimaya Davis of Wilmington, NC, and Khadir Davis of Passaic, NJ; one sister, Millie A. D. Murray of Walterboro, SC; five brothers, Amin (Gloria) Jihad of Belleville, NJ, Herbert Davis of Clinton, NJ, Anthony Davis of Paterson, NJ, Derek Edwards of Columbia, SC, and T. Garey Davis of Manassas Park, VA; one aunt, Ms. Virginia Mimms of Harlem, NY; one uncle, Mr. Alfred (Ernestine) Davis of Columbia, SC; one god-daughter, Sakinah (Corey) Smith-Evans of Paterson, NJ and a host of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

Saturday, January 28, 2017 - 9:00 AM

Rev. Arthur Bryant, Officiating

Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church, Garfield, NJ

Order of Service

Processional

Hymn

Prayer

Scriptures

Reflections of Life

Selection or Remark on Behalf of Bernard's Life

(Friend)

(Family Member)

Words of Comfort

Rev. Alfred Steele

Pastor Seminary Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

Benediction

Rev. Arthur Bryant

Interment

St. Peter's Cemetery

259 Passaic Street, Garfield, New Jersey

REPAST

Islamic Cultural Center

249 Broadway, Paterson, NJ



**My father was a man of trials and Tribulations.
He wasn't perfect, however he still loved us and his family.
Words from his son, Harlem Davis.**



Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges the many kind and thoughtful expressions of sympathy and all acts of love shown during this time of bereavement.

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