

Sunrise: March 26, 1957

Sunset: March 31, 2017

### <u>Obituary</u>

Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails. -Proverbs 19:21 (NIV)

Born to Robert Nathaniel States and Eula Mae Luckett, **Kym Anthony States** made his way into the world on March 26, 1957 in the borough of Manhattan and needless to say, the city was never the same. Bronx, New York, however, was his longtime home during childhood. There he attended P.S. 93 Albert G. Oliver Elementary School, James M. Kieran JHS 123, where he picked up the saxophone for the first time, and graduated from Samuel Gompers High School. Kym attended Pace University in New York City and graduated with a bachelor's degree in computer science.

A proud veteran of the U.S. Navy, Kym served from 1977 to 1981 and was honorably discharged with a rank of Cryptologic Technician Petty Officer 2nd Class (CTT2). He monitored and translated cryptic computer signals using CP-818 and other military console computer systems, specializing in deciphering codes for the Department of Defense. Naturally, he went on to a long career as a word processing coordinator for notable companies and law firms.

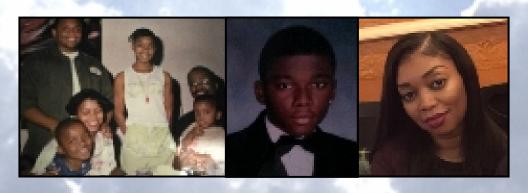
In the early morning hours of March 31, 2017, while on a cruise for his birthday, Kym passed away from congestive heart failure. God gave him one last hurrah, cruising through the islands of Curacao, Aruba, and Turks and Caicos, then brought his soul home peacefully. He was, undoubtedly, a blessed man in more ways than one. Intelligent, jovial, encouraging and a mighty presence, Kym had many gifts and shared them selflessly. With personal struggles throughout the years, Kym managed to give his life to God and never look back. God's grace transformed him and through Him, Kym inspired others to be the best version of themselves and live life to its fullest.

A lover of music (especially Jazz), sports, food, people, and family, the life force that is Kym Anthony States will always be remembered, highly regarded, and live on eternally in the minds and hearts of his loved ones, along with those he's encountered, even briefly, and invariably touched. He is survived by: his loving children, Mychal and Kevyn States, Dabriah Dey and Damion Nicholson; mother of his children, Marilyn States; granddaughter, Phoenix Cooper; sister, Kerri Lynnelle States Linley; nephew, Kurtis Winston Linley; loving companion, Arlene Jones; many cousins, extended family and friends.

Though he is with the angels, his spirit still connects us all. May he rest in peace.



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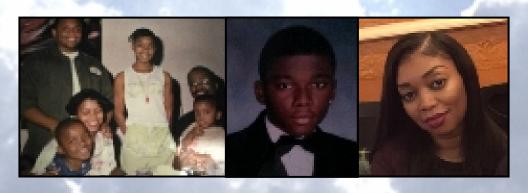


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#### Service

Saturday, April 15, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.

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## Order of Celebration

Organ Prelude"Amazing Grace" - Organist
ProcessionRev. Ryan Faison and Family
Prayer of ComfortRev. Ryan Faison
Scripture ReadingsPsalms 91:1-9 read by Dabriah Dey Psalms 91:10-16 read by Mychal States John 14:1-7 read by Charles Edmonds
Hymn"How Great Thou Art"
Hymn"Blessed Assurance"
Obituary"Damion Nicholson"
Musical Selection"His Eye is on the Sparrow" - Organist
Remarks/Reflections
Hymn"It Is Well With My Soul"
EulogyRev. Ryan Faison
BenedictionRev. Ryan Faison

### Entombment

Ferncliff Mausoleum Hartsdale, New York

# Serenity Prayer

GOD, grant me the Serenity
to accept the things I cannot change,
Courage to change the things I can, and the
Wisdom to know the difference.
Living one day at a time;
Enjoying one moment at a time;
Accepting hardship as the pathway to peace.
Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is,
not as I would have it. Trusting that He will make all things
right if I surrender to His Will;
That I may be reasonably happy in this life, and
supremely happy with Him forever in the next.
Amen

-Author unknown

## <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.

May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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