



Darryl Lamont Bryant

March 2, 1953 – July 18, 2017

Service

Thursday, August 10, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Allen A.M.E. Church-Shekinah Youth Church
111-54 Merrick Boulevard • Jamaica, NY 11433

Reflections of Life

Darryl Lamont Bryant was born on March 2, 1953 in Brooklyn, New York. He was the youngest son of Josie and William Bryant. Darryl and his family moved to St. Albans, Queens when he was a young boy. Darryl's older brother Ronald and older sister Valerie can vouch that Darryl was known to be the most mischievous of the three. He was therefore a very friendly, popular kid, well liked by adults and a leader among his peers. But it was quite evident from a young age that school did not hold his interest. Darryl's infamous "ticking clock in a box" incident in elementary school scared his teachers into thinking he had a bomb. Even then he knew school was not for him. Darryl attended Martin Van Buren High School. He was "quite a ladies man" as his Mom would say. With his good looks, charming manner and brilliant mind; he dreamed of becoming an entrepreneur.

Darryl enlisted in the U. S. Army in 1973 for the many benefits it offered. There he received his GED and took college credits. He did a short tour in Germany before returning home. There he completed another three years in the Army reserves.

While in the Army reserves at Fort Totten, Queens he met and fell in love with his "mess sergeant" Gail Ashby. At that time Darryl had also started working at the NYS Department of Corrections, at Otisville Correctional Facility. Swept off her feet and completely charmed by this three year old daughter Latese, they married on New Years Eve and began their life in Middletown, New York in 1980. The next year they were blessed with another baby girl Rachel Ann. The Bryant's left the Army shortly thereafter and enjoyed life together doing the things Darryl loved the most; spending time with his family and friends. He especially doted on his 3 grandchildren. He loved music, cooking, swimming, camping, and cars! Prior to and after retiring from Corrections after 30 years, he "worked on" and sold cars in many business ventures.

Darryl leaves to mourn, his mother Josie, his wife of 37 years Gail, his two daughters Latese and Rachel, his three grandchildren Jadyn, Nasiriyah, and Phaedra, his brother Ronald and sister Valerie, his best friend from childhood Jerry and his son Jason, sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, aunts, uncles, great aunts and uncles, a host of nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.

Darryl we will love and miss you, all the days of our lives.

Order of Service

Sister Roxann McDade The Prelude..... The Processional The Prayer of Comfort The Scripture Readings Old Testament: Psalm 23 New Testament: Romans 6:23; Revelation 21:1-7 "Eves on the Sparrow" The Acknowledgement of Condolences "Amazing Grace" The Moments of Meditation The Closing Prayer The Benediction The Recessional

Interment

Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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