In Loving Memory of



Sunrise February 14, 1979 Sunset November 7, 2017

<u>Service</u> Tuesday, November 14, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.

Metropolitan Baptist Church

149 Springfield Avenue Newark, New Jersey *Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Senior Pastor*

<u>Obituary</u>

Bennie L. Grier III was born on February 14, 1979 to Barbara and the late Bennie L. Grier Jr. at Columbus Hospital in Newark, NJ. He peacefully departed this life on Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at his home in Bound Brook, NJ.

Bennie was educated through the Hillside Public School system and graduated from Hillside High School in 1997. He was employed with R&D Sieberg Appliances of Manville, NJ.

Bennie joined the church and was baptized at an early age. A member of Metropolitan Baptist Church, he enjoyed sitting under the word of Pastor David Jefferson, Sr.

The "life of the party", he loved making others smile and laugh. When he wasn't being a clown or jokester, he was sure to be debating about something. His favorite past times included working out and watching basketball and football. He was a die hard Knicks and Giants fan, inbred from his dad and he imparted the same on his sons and nephews. He was also his nephew's biggest fan, always in the stands cheering them on at their basketball games.

He leaves to cherish his memory and spirit: two sons, Bennie L. Grier IV and Benzel S. Grier; mother and step-father, Barbara (Thomas) Harris; his brother, Tracy Rush (Rebecca); his sister, Tanisha Honis (Brian); six nephews, two nieces; significant other, Kim Costain; and a host of cousins, relatives and friends. A dedicated lifelong friend, Wolfy Henriquez.

Bennie transitioned from his family here on earth to be welcomed home by his father, Bennie L. Grier Jr. and his sister, Marchetta Rush.

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

Bennie, Your wings were ready but our hearts were not.

Order of Service

Processional
Scripture Reading Old Testament - Psalm 46:1-4 Kelly Griffin New Testament - John 14:1-6 Minister Sandra Kearney
Hymn
Prayer of Consolation Elder Priscilla Leak
Hymn
Acknowledgments, Cards, Telegrams & Obituary Sister Ethel Grimsley
Remarks Please limit remarks to 3 minutes
Hymn
Eulogy Rev. Dr David Jefferson Sr.

Recessional

"Love the people God gave you, because he will need them back one day", Bennie never did I imagine he would need you back so soon. Your wings were ready, but my heart was not. Your boisterous voice, your crazy laugh, your grin that literally went from ear to ear, and your endless jokes will forever be missed. Though my heart aches, I find comfort in knowing that you are at peace and now celebrating your birthday to eternal life. A part of me smiles deep down inside because I know you are reunited with Chetta and Dad and I know you could not be happier. As I let go of the physical you, I know your spirit will forever be with me and I will hold tight to all the memories, especially our last family day together one week ago. P.S. I got last tag

I Love You, Tanisha



Life 1s But A Stopping Place

Life is but a stopping place, A pause in what's to be, A resting place along the road, to sweet eternity. We all have different journeys, Different paths along the way, We all were meant to learn some things, but never meant to stay... Our destination is a place, Far greater than we know.

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.

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