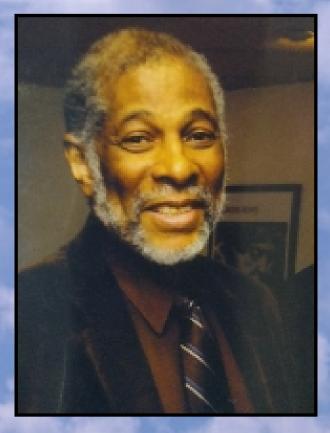
A Celebration of Life

Raglan George, Jr.

Sunrise November 10, 1935 Sunset April 9, 2020



Friday, April 17, 2020

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Obituary

Raglan George Jr., the beloved son of Raglan Waghorn George Sr., and Nathalie Doris Ames George was born on November 10, 1935 in New York City. He lived a long and vibrant life. Growing up in New York City, Raglan was a good student in the New York Public Schools, but he loved basketball and loved to socialize with his boyhood friends "The Fellows" in Harlem. After graduating Haaren High School, he served in the United States Marine Corps until his honorable discharged in 1957. Following in his father's footsteps, he became a fur-flesher and became an active member of the International Fur and Leather Workers Union. He later attended Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations, and Empire State College, graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Labor Studies.

Raglan married his high school sweetheart Delores Robinson, and they had three children Deborah, Daryl and Denise. His second union with Joni Smith produced his son Justin. Gregory and Jeffrey are his sons from his marriage to Annie Allen.

Raglan was an outgoing leader and organizer in all his jobs and occupations. He worked at Crown Monarch Furriers and New York Auction Company. He was a New York State Corrections Officer, NYS Narcotics Officer, and worked at the United States Postal Service.

Raglan became a National figure in the labor and civil rights movements. He became Vice President of the Fur and Leather Workers International Union, Director of childcare for District Council 1707 and then Executive Director for DC 1707, of the American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO. We was an officer of the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists, and International Vice President of the NYS AFL-CIO, when he retired in 2014.

"Rags", enjoyed life and people. He had many friends and associates from all walks of life including various dignitaries, mayors, senators,

Vice President Biden and President Obama. Raglan was a very magnanimous and charismatic individual with a deep commitment to justice, equality and fairness. Despite working two jobs for much of his life, despite his activism, travel and commitment to the public good, Raglan was a true family man. He was consistently generous and loving to his six children, his God-child, nieces, nephews, and his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He took time to remain connected with his childhood buddies, his many friends and colleagues. He LOVED watching old movies, sports and especially basketball at which he excelled in his younger days playing for the J. Horn Eagles. After retirement, he enjoyed spending time with his family and having breakfast at IHOP!

Left to cherish his memory are his devoted family, his children; Deborah, Daryl, Denise, Justin, Gregory (Tiffany) and Jeffery; Grandchildren: Leon, Dennisha, Saphaire, Leqwan, Ayanna, Adrienne, Darren, Heaven, Tiffany, Reese, Parker and Peter; Greatgrandchildren; Daiana, Saniyah, and Chenelle. He is also survived by his much beloved siblings Isline, and Janice; nephew Aston and niece Rennice, and God-Daughter Stephanie Williams. Raglan was predeceased by his parents Raglan Sr. and Natalie George, his siblings Vernon, Kenneth, Conrad, Calvin, Dorothy, Bernadette, and Paulette, first wife Delores, and son-in-law Allen Lorick. Raglan's presence will be forever missed by Joni and Annie. He is remembered lovingly by his nieces, nephews, cousins, other extended family members, many "brothers and sisters", co-workers, colleagues and friends.

Raglan George, Jr. was a luminous visionary who contributed so much to the world, made his mark and leaves his legacy as a fighter and champion! The world is a better place because of his presence. He will be sorely missed by all. Rest easy. We Love you Pops!

His Lord has said to him "Well done thou Good and Faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord". Matthew 25:21

To Say Goodbye

To say goodbye is not the end
To all my family and friends
For life goes on, you must endure
For my eternity is sure.
Remember all the good times
The memories we've shared
The precious jewels of laughter
The tender love and care.
I found my resting place
God's peace surrounds my soul
Let love abound in all your hearts
Let heaven be your goal.

-Author unknown

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

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

God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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