



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
 I'm following the path God laid for me
 I took his hand when I heard him call
 I turned my back and left it all
 I could not stay another day
 To laugh, to love, to work or play
 Tasks left undone must stay that way
 I found that peace at the close of day
 If my parting has left a void
 Then fill it up with remembered joy
 A friendship shared, a laugh a kiss
 Oh yes these things I too will miss
 Be not burdened with times of sorrow
 I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow
 My life's been full, I savored much
 Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch
 Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't
 Lengthen it with undue grief
 Lift up your heart and share with me
 God wanted me now, He set me free!

Acknowledgements

The family of Kareem Walston wishes to thank
 Kenneth Cattenhead and The Family Funeral home,
 and each and every one of you with deep appreciation
 for the many acts of kindness and love shown during
 his passing. May God continue to bless you all.

The Family

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Celebration of Life

Kareem Walston- Gleaton

Sunrise:
 July 4, 1977

Sunset:
 July 8, 2022



Tuesday, July 19, 2022
 6:00 PM

True Gospel Holiness Church
 361 Ocean Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07305
 Reverend Hattie Ross, Pastor
 Reverend Chryl D. McCord, Eulogist



Obituary

Kareem Jumar Walston-Gleaton, was born on July 4, 1977, to Valerie Walston and Charles Gleaton. He was born in Columbus Hospital in Newark NJ. Although Kareem had a loving relationship with his mother and family in Newark, he was raised by his paternal grandparents, Cornell, and Bertha Gleaton, along with his paternal aunts and uncles who assisted with his upbringing. Kareem was also raised in the household with his cousins Leonza and Fuquaan Gleaton, who were more like his brothers because they were so close.

He attended P.S.#40 grammar school where he received his 8th grade degree. He went on to High school, but left after the 10th grade, however, he did go on to study for his GED and missed it only by 2 points. Kareem helped his grandfather, who was the building super, clean out the basement, and put out the trash and ran errands as instructed. He was always very helpful.

Kareem worked at a meat market, as well as the Department of Sanitation in Newark NJ. He also worked for Walmart while living in Atlanta Georgia. At the time of his demise, he was residing in Reading Pa.

Kareem loved to dress and to look good from his cap down to his sneakers, everything had to match. He loved good movies, rap and old school music. His favorite rapper was “DMX” but also had a great love and admiration for “Tupac”. He was originally a New England Patriot fan because he was a big fan of Tom Brady. After he left the Patriots, he remained a fan while he was on the new team. He also liked the Memphis Grizzlies basketball team especially Ja Morant.

When Kareem was younger, he and his cousins were taken to church regularly. They accepted Jesus Christ into their lives at an early age. They attended camp during the summer months and attended the Boy’s club all year around. Kareem and other neighborhood children sold candy in the New York area where they made a lot of money doing so. He loved reading books, puzzles, card games.

Kareem loved children, and they adored him. He had a big personality, a bigger heart and great humor.

A short time Before Kareem’s passing, He and his grandmother had a wonderful phone conversation. He promised that he was coming to see her, and she said that she would wait for him, but God intervened. Kareem would now be reunited with his family members that he loved and missed so deeply, he suffers no more. Rest in peace Kareem, we love you and we will see you when we get there.

Kareem leaves to mourn, his son Joseph Soliwoda-Doan, his 93-year-old grandmother, Mrs. Bertha Gleaton, who he loved and absolutely adored, Brother Khalil Walston, Sisters Quiyon Lingham, Shakira Walston, Nephew Shakir, and nieces Shatasia and Shavonne Walston. Aunts Sue, Mary, Rosa, Bertha, Barbara Gleaton and Dawn Gleaton-Loftin, Uncles James Gleaton (Deanie), Kyle, Rodney, and Stanton Lingham. A loving partner and friend, Nadrea Keyes and her son Zamire Johnson who adored him. Special lifelong friends Andrea Keyes, and Hashen Clark who was more like a brother to him. He also leaves to mourn, many cousins who he absolutely loved, Rhonda, Tameka, Felicia, Nyeshia, Hasaan, Makeda, Atia, and Jadah Gleaton, William and Gyneshia Britton, LaVahn and Maya Loftin and Janaya Watson to name a few, a host of Great Aunts, Uncles, and many many friends.

Kareem is preceded in death by his father Charles Gleaton, mother Valerie Walston, Grandfather Cornell Gleaton Sr and Leroy Revis, Grandmother Claudia Lingham, loving aunt Martha Britton, uncles Jerome and Cornell Gleaton Jr. William Britton Sr., Anthony Loftin, Trevor and James Lingham, special cousins Leonza and Fuquaan Gleaton.



Order of Service

- Musical Prelude Trayce Evans
- Processional..... .Clergy & Family
- Musical Selection.....Jai Allen
- Prayer of Comfort
- Old Testament - 23rd Psalm
- New Testament – St John 14 1-6
- Remarks/ Reflections Family, Friends
(2 minutes please)
- Acknowledgements/Obituary.....Makeda Gleaton
- Resolutions.....Clergy
- Poem..... Tameka Gleaton
- Musical Selection.....Jai Allen
- Eulogy..... Pastor Cheryl D. McCord
- Final Viewing

Final Repose
Thursday July 21, 2022 at 11:00 AM
Rosedale Cemetery
Linden, New Jersey