Celebrating the Life of

Isaiah Matthew Paroley May 24th, 1964 - August 16, 2022

Visitation: Saturday September 3, 2022 at 3PM - 6PM

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Obitnary

Isaiah Matthew Pawley, was born on May 24th, 1964 at Mount Sinai Hospital to Parents Barbara Ann Pawley and Isaiah Walker a Vietnam Veteran who proceeded him in death. Isaiah took his last breath at New York Presbyterian Hospital with family by his side on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 7:00pm. He is survived by his Mother Barbara Pawley, his son's Isaiah Junior McBride "aka" Peanut and Joshua Carrier. His brothers Melvin, Robert, Johnny, Timothy and Eron and sisters Sebrena and Mornique. He is also survived by his grandchildren Inaeja and Evan McBride, his nephew Chris Chavis "who was like a son to him" and his grandnephew and grandniece Breanna and Kaden. His Aunt's Paulette Barr, Sandra Brown, Alberta Porterfield (John), Charlotte Cato, and Uncle Silas Pawley. cousins Anthony, Oscar Jr., Michael, Pamala, Elizabeth, Graig, Denise, Phillip, Stephen, Pauline, Alvin, Keisha, and Theresa. Along with other countless cousins and extended family. His friends and persons who were especially important to him during his lifetime were: Dawn, Mr. Kennard, Yolanda Marilyn, his friend James, and his God Mother Marion Calvin.

Isaiah was raised between the Bronx, NY and Harlem, NY where he made his home. He attended Charles Evans High School where he excelled and was a standout student. He later received his High School Diploma and certifications in electrical maintenance, carpet layer and as a Bob Cat Dozer Operator, by the State of N.Y. Isaiah later started his career in the maintenance field and worked for Randall Island Park in New York City and the McDonald's Corporation where a severe injury forced him into early retirement.

Mother described Isaiah as a "pleasure" her easy going eldest child. When he was a young boy from about ages 9 yrs -11 yrs old, he would assume the role of a "little dad", as he prepared his 3 younger brothers for school, washing them up putting grease on their faces, dressing them, putting on their little belts and suspenders and sending them along with himself off to school. Mom also remembers when Isaiah would choreograph the boys to do Jackson 5 dance moves just for her pleasure, those were indeed great and funny times.

Isaiah would often come home from school sad as a boy because other boys would tease him for his unusually big feet, and they would call him "Sasquatch." When he would come home to tell Mom, she would ask him what the boys looked like who were teasing him and then gave him some real good snaps to take back to school, which he did and needless to say, he never had any problems with those boys again! That also gave birth to the "Dozens" of snaps within the Pawley family and as you can imagine things got real in that house! Isaiah also was an exceptionally good basketball player and was very athletic for most of his youth. In truth, the only time he slowed down, was when he was hit by a car, but soon after healing he got right back into dominating others on the basketball court.

Isaiah also loved to cook; in fact, his kids and siblings echoed that he was very good at it. His favorite foods to eat were steak, seafood, ribs, pasta, and roast beef. His favorite color was black. He loved to watch Kungfu movies, and his favorite songs were "Not afraid" by Eminem, "Dance with My Father" by Luther Vandross and "Never Surrender" by DJ Khaled. And one of his Top 5 favorite artists was no other than The Queen of Hip-Hop Soul Mary J. Blige!

"Ike" which he was affectionately called along with the family name "Puggy" was tough but gentle, he was a nice person who would give you the shirt off his back. He was a loyal friend who would always have your back which was one of the reasons why he was so well liked and respected in the neighborhood. Peanut said of his dad "My father taught me to be a good father to my kids and be independent. He also taught me how to cook and manage my anger." Joshua said of his dad "My favorite thing to do with dad when I was young was go to McDonalds. I loved when we would eat, talk, and just hang out with me. My Dad told me that one of the things that would make him the proudest, was for me to finish High School and Proudly I graduated in 2017 which brought him great joy!"

Isaiah will truly be missed but never forgotten. He loved his mother, children, brothers, sisters, and grandchildren very very much! He always talked about how proud he was of his family with so much brag! He is now resting in in the safest place, which is in Jehovah God's loving memory. And one day soon we will all have the opportunity to see him again in God's New World right here on earth. (Acts 24:15, Psalm 37:11 & 29 & Revelation 21:3 & 4).

Revelation 21:2-3

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying,Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

> FINAL DISPOSITION: Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

Miss Me. But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared, Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go

Acknowledgement

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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