

Celebrating the Life of



Wilford Horne, Jr.

SUNRISE: January 1, 1956

SUNSET: October 18, 2022

Friday, October 28, 2022 - 12pm

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Obituary

Wilford Horne, Jr. was born in Harlem, NY on January 1, 1956, to Mr. Wilford Horne, Sr. and Mrs. Frances Clarke Horne. He had three siblings, Debbie, Michael, and Darryl. Wilford exhibited great intelligence and academic capabilities and was grafted into the Honor League in 1968, being recognized for achieving a high record of character, service and citizenship to those around him. Wilford attended St. Paul's Boarding High School in Concord, MA for his freshman year through the first half of his junior year. At Saint Paul's he received numerous awards for his participation in Junior Varsity Football and Basketball. He completed his high school education at the Darrow Boarding High School in Lebanon, NY where he again received numerous awards for JV and Varsity Basketball and Varsity Football and graduated on June 7, 1974. Wilford became an employee of Macy's East at the young age of eighteen where he diligently completed over twenty-five years of service in the flagship store, Herald Square, NYC. His commitment and dedication allowed him to rise through the ranks from an entry level stock position and ultimately retired as an Assistant Store Manager.

It was during his adult life Wilford formed a love for Martial Arts and became a part of the New York Karate Academy. Wilford also found a fascination and appreciation for firearms and acquired gun licenses and became a member of and found community at the West Side Rifle and Pistol Range in New York City. In his brilliance, Wilford was drawn to the field of technology and in 1988 he became a Technical Engineer for Citibank, NA where he served thirty-four years. The last seven years with HTx Service which acquired the Technology Department of Citibank in 2015.

“And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.” Genesis 2:7 KJV.

There is no doubt that Wilford lived a full life. He passed away on October 18, 2022, when he succumbed to a terminal illness and is now relieved from the pain. While we are all here to say goodbye to his natural body, we accept that we will miss his physical appearance and his physical touch but, we take heart in knowing that as his earthly vessel reverts to the dust in which we were formed we acknowledge that we are spiritual beings, and the Spirit never dies and Wilford will be with us forever. We rejoice knowing that he is seated in Heavenly places with Christ Jesus and is reunited with his beloved mother Frances Clarke Horne, whom he missed severely.

“That Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.” Acts 26:23 KJV

Wilford is survived by: his brother, Darryl Horne; and leaves behind his fiancée, Paula Meikle and their daughter Aliya Ashley McDaniel; his grandson, Maverick Maurice McDaniel; his oldest and dearest friend, Mary Taylor; and numerous friends, colleagues and associates who were touched by his love and generosity during his time on earth. Wilford's excellence in character, integrity and strength will leave an everlasting imprint on our hearts.

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the LORD - 2 Corinthians 5:8 KJV

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Internment:
Woodlawn Cemetery
Bronx, New York

In Our Hearts

We thought of you with love today,

But that is nothing new.

We thought about you yesterday

And days before that, too.

We think of you in silence.

We often speak your name.

Now all we have are memories

And your picture in a frame.

Your memory is our keepsake

With which we'll never part.

God has you in his keeping.

We have you in our heart.

By Rose M. De Leon

Acknowledgement

We thank you all for your love and support during this time. May the Lord bless you abundantly.

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