

*Celebrating the Life of*



*Anthony T. Breamfield*

**SUNRISE: December 23, 1961**

**SUNSET: November 3, 2022**

**Saturday, November 19, 2022 - 12pm**

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# Obituary

**Tony “Super Tone”** as he is affectionately known, was born on December 23rd, 1961 to Eleanor Edwards and Nelson Breamfield at Lincoln Hospital, NYC. Super Tone has four siblings, Tyrone, Stacey, Dee Dee, and baby brother, Kevin, who went to be with the Lord in 2015. Tony had a fascinating childhood. He grew up in Harlem on West 144th Street where he obtained the childhood of a lifetime. Tony and his siblings were raised by their grandparents and lived on a block complete with family and friends with oriented stores, barber shops, a park, neighborly people who looked out for him, and a public school which he attended with his friends. He attended Dewitt Clinton High School and made tons of friends as a child.

He was always happy and cracking jokes and was very funny. Super Tone’s favorite sport was basketball and he played everywhere he went. He loved to play basketball and watch the greatest ball players play. His favorite basketball player was Julius Erving, better known as Dr. J, and he hung photographs of Dr. J, the NY Knicks, Magic Johnson and Larry Bird of the Boston Celtics everywhere in his and his brother’s room.

Super Tone was a regular at most basketball games in Harlem parks, specifically “Rucker Park” as his family moved to the Pologround Towers in 1984, where he literally earned the name “Super Tone” because he played basketball and dunked on his opponents; and he also wore the most outstanding clothing and sneakers. Super Tone was a fashionista and owned soooooo many pairs of sneakers and wore his clothing in a unique and dynamic way.

He was considered a Superman because he had absolutely no shame in wearing his gear. For example, Tone would always be the first person in the neighborhood to wear sneakers that would not be seen on anyone else. They were not even in the stores yet and somehow, he would have them on his feet. He would wear weird but cool stuff like ski goggles, flamboyant t-shirts, coats and all types of things, and made it look cool! Super Tone would rock blow-outs and crew cut haircuts; and his style was amazing to people all over Harlem and everyone knew him.

Super Tone was also a dancer who loved to go to the Roof-Top Roller Rink, neighborhood jams, and the Fever Dance Club in the Bronx. He always went to Crotona Park Jams in the Summer so that he could continue doing what he loved. Back in the day he earned the name “Tony Dance” because dancing with people and listening to music was a lifelong love and passion of his.

Super Tone worked at many juice bars in Harlem, he also worked for the Shabazz Brothers clothing company and afterwards, worked as a Security Guard and ultimately began to work at the Cathedral Towers in Harlem, as a front desk clerk. It was here at Cathedral Towers where he accumulated a love for his working community and colleagues, who cherished his personality and exuberance for life. Many of his colleagues at the Cathedral Towers speak of his love of women and eating food. They express their ways of ‘taking charge’ of him humorously and with much adoration and affection by cooking his favorite dishes and just adoring his personality with spect recognition. Tone’s work life was a family away from home and he was an avid worker at the Cathedral Towers. His boss Angie, employees, and tenants speak highly of him, and kept a watchful eye over him up until his last date of employment and thereafter. They will miss him dearly.

Super Tone was an extremely friendly person and has a huge following of friends that he considers family. He often traveled with them, borough to borough or stayed in front of the building talking most of the day. He greeted and spoke with people whether he knew you or not, with kindness and humility, looking you directly in the eyes with concern for you. He had a genuine way of saying hello and was a gentle giant to everyone he met by saying, “Love is Love”. Tone walked everywhere from sun up to sun down, he walked in extreme heat and cold weather, it didn’t matter as long as he could see and greet people.

There are soooooo many memories of Super Tone, from him chasing his beloved German Shepherd ‘Joe’ down the street towards Lenox Avenue when he ran away, to

playing the big brother role very well, watching over his younger brothers and sisters, making sure that everyone's plate was empty at the dinner table, (by eating everyone's leftovers) lol, to running errands for his grandfather and not returning to the house until the end of the day, to making everyone in the house laugh until they cried, nearly drowning his aunt in the pool as she tried to teach him how to swim, dunking the basketball on the many courts of Harlem, dancing everywhere he went with friends, being a listening ear to everyone, being the best father he could be, played the big brother role very well and protected all of his siblings, and last but not hardly least, entertained his family and friends to the fullest.

Super Tone departed this life on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at the young age of 61, and will join his younger sibling, father, and mother in Heaven where they will welcome him with open arms.

Super Tone is a Harlem Legend who leaves behind a huge number of friends and loved ones. He leaves behind: three beautiful daughters, Janay Wilkins, LaNia (Frost) Breamfield, and Raven King, all of whom he loved very, very much; three siblings, Tyrone, Stacey, and Dee Dee; nieces and nephews, Randy, Wayne, Terrance, Lance, and Serena; aunts, Crystal and Ruby; and great aunt, Eleanor; cousins, Butch, Donna, Randy, Monty, Lisa, Christopher, Choi Choo, Gerald, Rachael, Melody, Tiffany, Lorna and Ralph, just to name a few; a host of younger cousins and grand niece and nephews; and many, many friends that will miss his presence and cherish shared memories for a lifetime.

*Sleep In Heavenly Peace Tony, you are with Mommy now.*  
Love Always, Your Loving Family

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## *Order of Service*

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**Processional**

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**Committal**

**Recessional**

**FINAL DISPOSITION:**  
Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York

# *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 now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!

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## *Acknowledgement*

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