

*Celebrating the Life of*

**Jamel**  
William  
*Codrington*

Sunrise: March 7, 1982 - Sunset: June 3, 2023

**Saturday, June 10, 2023**  
**Viewing: 9am - 11am**  
**Service: 11am**

**Salem United Methodist Church**  
2190 Clayton Powell Jr Blvd, New York, NY 10027  
Officiant: Reverend Lawrence L. Craig, Jr., Pastor  
Organist: Beverly Lewis

**DAY**

# Obituary

**Jamel William Codrington** was born on March 7, 1982, to James William Clardy and Carolyn Codrington in Harlem Hospital located in New York City. Both of Jamel's parents preceded him in death. However he got the chance to experience so much love growing up, being raised with a lot of family members which made him very family oriented. Jamel was affectionately, known as "Double M", "Mel Mel", "Mozeralla Mel" and "Chicken Wing".

Jamel was educated in the New York City school system, where he attended Roberto Clemente IS 195 Junior High School, then later on, he obtained his GED.

Jamel was born gifted with many talents. When Jamel was younger, he was good at playing basketball. Playing in Harlem's Bryd's Classic, he was underestimated because of his height, but he had speed and a good jump shot. Then there was that charmisa that everyone loved. Jamel lived his life always willing to roll the dice, literally. He was gifted at that too. Jamel brought the casino to Harlem every day. Jamel was a numbers man, optimistic on his luck he consistently played 3782, 128 and 1227.

Jamel was very infectious with his personality, his charm and his laugh. With a huge smile on his face he had a way with words, that it always made you not only forget what he did, but whatever you were going through in the moment. This meant that even if he did something to get on your nerves, he knew how to easily get back in your good graces.

If he was in your presence you had the opportunity to experience his vibe which was a great time, because Jamel was a vibe on his own. He was always ready to party getting it started with his famous dance. 'Please don't get him started on the dance floor', is what most of us would jokingly say, because he definitely knew how to entertain a crowd.

Jamel lived by his own rules, and wasn't afraid to push the envelope taking chances. He will be missed by so many people, as he was respected in his community being the adopted little brother or uncle to many.

Jamel was a jokester and his silly sayings and ways will be mostly missed. We thank him for leaving us his whit to remember and his love to continue to pass on to one another.

He leaves to mourn: his children, Na'shon Jamel Codrington and Journey Saamiya Codrington; his ten siblings, Laura Coleman (James), James Edwards, Bridgett Clardy, Jimmy Clardy, Charise Carlos, Jermaine Clardy (Rose), Jo'vi Codrington, Kisha Green (Robert), Derika Nealy (Aquane), Javon Clardy; his sisters-in-Love, Tanya Christian, April Diggins and Qiana Durant; a host of brothers-in-Love; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

# Order of Service

## **Prelude**

Beverly Lewis, Organist

## **Processional**

## **Greeting**

Reverend Lawrence L. Craig, Jr.

## **Hymn of Celebration**

## **Scriptures**

Old Testament

New Testament

## **Prayer**

Reverend Lawrence L. Craig, Jr.

## **Celebration in Song**

## **Reflections**

(no more than 3 minutes)

## **Obituary**

Kimberly Edwards

## **Celebration in Song**

## **The Eulogy**

Reverend Lawrence L. Craig, Jr.

## **Musical Reflections**

Beverly Lewis, Organist

## **Acknowledgements**

Reverend Lawrence L. Craig, Jr.

## **The Committal**

Reverend Lawrence L. Craig, Jr.

## **Recessional Hymn**

## **FINAL DISPOSITION:**

Rosehill Crematory  
Linden, New Jersey

# *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!

-author unknown

## *Jamel's Lucky Numbers*

**3782, 307, 2411, 225, 2245, 222, 202, 369, 1017, 1027, 128, 1227**

## *Acknowledgement*

*At this time the family would like to thank everyone who rallied up against us and tried to help in lifting us up during this tragic time. We appreciate the calls, the texts and all gestures of love that has truly been felt from the people who love us and loved our Jamel. Thank you.*

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