



CELEBRATION OF LIFE

SYDNEY HUGH MEARS

November 9, 1936 – December 16, 2023

Friday, January 5, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.

Praise and Worship Church

223-03 Linden Blvd, Queens, NY 11411

Pastor Walter Sterling, Officiating

OBITUARY

Today we gather to honour, remember, and say goodbye to **Sydney Hugh Mears**. Sydney affectionately called Syd, Hugh, Hugo or Dread, was born on November 9, 1956 in Kingston, Jamaica. He was the first child of Sydney and Hyacinth Mears. A big brother to Marlon, Dale, Suzanne and Liz. A father to Reuben, Shem, Jan Cheri, Taskah, David, Kuselo and Sytricia. A grandfather to Amari, Akil, Sidney, Jordan, Gabriel, Noah, Royce, Christian and Nisuko. A brother-in-law to Joycelyn Mears (sister-in-law). A uncle to Cindy Benjamin (niece), Cathyann Benjamin (niece), Tiffany Williams (niece), Dale Mears Jr. (niece), Shadai Mears (niece), Keanza Mears (niece). A nephew to Winsome Marshall (Aunt Joy) and Hazel Welch (Aunt Hazel).

“We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give” I know my dad lived a great life. In his 67 years all of you can contest to the way he gave selflessly. He was adventurous, so full of vibes and fun. He wouldn’t miss a beat at any function. He smiled and danced encouraging everyone to join. Dancing even in his wheel chair in the last moments I spent with him. I’ll forever treasure these memories.

Prayer has always been something he encouraged me and my siblings to do daily. Upon being saved his fervor for the Lord increased. Allowing my dad to spread God’s word. Reminding everyone to pray and asking that we do so every time we were in his presence.

Upon the news of his passing the love and memories poured in. I knew for years the impact my father has made as a brother, a father, a grandfather, a friend, and an educator. I knew because of you all and the way you loved him. My dad loved so deeply. So I encourage you all to remember how he loved in the image of God and do the same.

Sydney was a remarkably thoughtful person. He made people smile everywhere he went. He was a man that would go above and beyond for his family and everyone he knew. He went out of his way to instruct and help when a friend was in need making sure it was not only done but done so correctly; promptly and efficiently.

Above all, Sydney believed in family, faith and hard work. He always said “did you say your prayers today?” A reminder to keep in constant communication with God and one I will always cherish. In closing, I would like to share this verse with you:

John 14:1-3

- 1. “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.*
- 2. My Father’s house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?*
- 3. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Remarks

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Special Acknowledgment

Obituary

Sermon

Prayer of Comfort

Recessional

INTERMENT

Maple Grove Cemetery
Queens, New York



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The family would like to express their profound and heartfelt gratitude for every act of love and kindness extended to them during these most difficult days. In the days ahead, we will need your continued prayers and support.

The Family

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