



*In Loving Memory
of*

Gregory Hankins Jr.

Sunrise
July 12, 1979

Sunset
December 9, 2011

Saturday, December 17, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

COVENANT LIFE MINISTRIES CHURCH
1429 Palisade Avenue • Teaneck, New Jersey
Rev. Dr. Keith Attles, Officiating

Obituary



Gregory Hankins Jr. affectionately known as “Tiger” was born on July 12, 1979 at the Holy Name Hospital in Teaneck, New Jersey. He is the son of Wanda Ratcliff Chavis and Gregory Hankins Sr.

During his formative years, Greg went to elementary schools throughout Bergen County, NJ. He attended Dwight Morrow High School in Englewood, New Jersey. He completed his studies in Elliston, Virginia.

Greg was an advent lover of sports. He played varsity and intramural football, basketball and hockey during his secondary years. His love for the games resulted in several citations, medals, trophies and scholarships for his achievements. After high school, Greg relocated to Virginia. He challenged himself with several entrepreneurial business ventures. One of his personal business plans included real estate opportunities. Unbeknownst to many, Gregory had a passion for literature and reading. He wrote excerpts to urban novels and several manuscripts that remain unpublished. Part of his activism and community service involved Greg volunteer work with the American Cancer Society’s Relay for Life benefit where he worked tirelessly to raise funds to fight the disease that would eventually lead to his untimely demise.

Gregory Hankins Jr. went home to be with the Lord on December 9, 2011. He was predeceased by his maternal grandmother, Doris Ratcliff. His paternal grandfather, Willie Hankins and great aunt, Marva Taylor.

He also leaves to mourn mother; Wanda Ratcliff Chavis, father Gregory Hankins Sr., step father Derrick Chavis, several siblings; Damien Hankins, Justin Hankins, Travis Dickerson, Taylor Hankins and Ruby Ophelia Hankins. Cherished memories were shared with his maternal aunt Sonya Ratcliff (“Auntie So-So”), his cousin Kurt Woods, his uncle Christopher Collins, his wife Tamika Collins and son Chris Jr. and his God-Mother Joan Roberts, two special loving friends Mary and Dana Cook of Roanoke, VA; and a host of family and friends whom Greg loved dearly.

Order of Service

Prelude

Welcome Pastor Kimberly Attles

Prayer of Comfort Pastor Kimberly Attles

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Selection Najelah Perry
"Smile"

Obituary Kurt Woods

Poet Reading Travis Dickerson

Words of Comfort (3 mins.) Gervonne Romney-Rice
Roosevelt Sills

Song Selection Verline Penn
"He's Been Faithful"

Eulogy Rev. Dr. Keith Attles

Recessional

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park Cemetery
Paramus, New Jersey

The repast will be held at the The Covenant Life Ministries
Church directly after the funeral service

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge and especially thank Mary and Dana Cook. Your love of Greg and unwavering support during these trying times will never be forgotten.

We would be remiss not to mention the love, rearing, mentoring, guidance, support and affection shown to Greg throughout his life by his maternal grandmother, Ophelia Battle. Salutations go to the entire the Roberts, Taylor, Hankins and Ratcliff families.

The following organizations are to be commended:

Medical College of Virginia, Richmond

Good Samaritan Hospice Care, Roanoke

Roanoke Memorial Hospital – The Palliative Care Unit

Dr. Keith Attles - Pastor and the entire

Congregation of Covenant Life Ministries

The Staff of the Eternity Funeral Home, Englewood, NJ

Our sincerest gratitude and appreciation is due to all for the expressions of kindness, for the cards, telegrams, emails, calls, flowers and condolences.

Lovingly yours,

The Family of Gregory Hankins, Jr.

PALLBEARERS

Travis Dickerson

Derrick Chavis

Kurt Woods

Willie Edwards

Matthew Robinson

Calvin Roane

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