



In Loving Memory of

Frederick Alphonso Gelsey, Jr.

Sunrise

September 11, 1980

Sunset

December 28, 2011

Service

Sunday, January 8, 2012 - 3:00 p.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue

New York, New York 10027

Rev. Dr. Edward R. Culvert Officiating

Marvin Hadley, Organist

Obituary

Frederick (Fred) A. Gelsey, Jr. lovingly known as “Fox” was born on September 11, 1980 to Dorethea Wilkins and Frederick Gelsey, Sr. at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City. In the twinkling of an eye on Wednesday, December 28, 2011 the sweet spirit of the Lord drew near and opened his arms to welcome his precious angel home.

Fred the second of four children was born and raised in Manhattan and relocated to Buffalo, New York. He was baptized at the early age of eleven and was united with One in Christ Temple Church under the leadership of his Father and Pastor, Apostle Frederick A. Gelsey, Sr. During that time Fred participated dutifully in the “All Boys Choir” and served as a junior usher.

While in Buffalo Fred attended Grover Cleveland High School. Although he was not a graduate from Grover Cleveland he later obtained his High School Equivalency Diploma. Fred loved to play basketball and could be found on numerous occasions on the basketball courts of the Father Bell Center and on several other basketball courts in the city of Buffalo.

After high school, Fred worked side by side with his father at Gelsey’s Fashions and their many other stores throughout the city of Buffalo.

As Fred the second of four children became more knowledgeable of God’s word and of Christ Salvation plan he accepted Christ as his personal savior, remaining under the banner of one in Christ Temple Church.

Fred had a passion to help others, he was a devoted and loyal brother, son and friend. He was a mild mannered gentleman at all times. Fred was loved by all and his radiant smile will linger with us forever.

To celebrate his life and elevation to glory Frederick Gelsey, Jr. leaves to cherish his memory: his mother, Dorethea Wilkins; his father, Frederick (Lydia) Gelsey, Sr.; a combined family of brothers and sisters, Chanelle, Tecora, Africa and brother, Donell; niece, Je-nelle; uncles, Kenneth and Keith; cousins, Moneesha, Quran, Terean, Shareen, Chenica, Devon, Lamont, Latricia, Nola, Timmy, Keith (Fish), Danny, Lisa and Winston; Godmother, April and Godsister, Samantha.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements Donnalese Donaldson-Robinson

Remarks 2 minutes please

Obituary Donnalese Donaldson-Robinson

Eulogy

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



The Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that
God was going to call your name.

In life we loved you dearly

In death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you,
you did not go alone;

for part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories,
your love is still our guide,

and though we cannot see you,
you are always at our side.

Our family chain is broken
and nothing seems the same,
but as God calls us one by one,
the chain will link again.

~Ron Tranmer



Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their deep appreciation
and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.



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