

In Loving Memory of



Vincent H. Brooks

Muttakbir

Service

Wednesday, April 4, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Imam Yusef Hassan, Officiating

Obituary

OF VINCENT HOWARD BROOKS (AKA, MUTTAKIBIR)

BORN: JULY 5, 1953
PASSED: APRIL 1, 2012

Vincent, also known to many of his family and friends as Muttakbir, was a loyal father, husband, son, uncle, and brother. He worked for a time as a manager at the McDonald's Restaurant on West 125th Street in Harlem; but, as he liked to say, "Music is my life!"

Among his musical idols were Miles Davis, Sly of Sly and the Family Stone, Bootsy Collins, and George Clinton. Vincent drew inspiration from these innovators.

Vincent was a creative person, and like his heroes, he was also an innovative musician who specialized in percussion instruments, including the drums and loved to play jazz, soul, and rhythm and blues. During the 1970s, he was the leader of a contemporary band known as Cloud Nine. The band was known for originating the big hit "Body Music," which could be heard regularly on WBLS in those days.

Vincent was a devout Muslim and often cited achievements from Islamic history. Vincent is survived by many family members who will miss him greatly, including:

His son Kareem Burns, his daughter Saleena Burns, their mother Barbara Burns, his sister Malikah Abdul-Hameed, his brothers Larry Brooks and Alfred Bowe, his nieces Amanda Brooks, Shanequa Robinson, and Mariah Soares, his sister-in-law Joan Dyer, his grandchildren, Nyseem Crawford and Kyseem Burns; his nephews Brandon Robinson, Savon Robinson, and Dante Myers.

Vincent's passing has left a vacuum in our lives that will probably never be filled completely, but that empty space, that missing presence will remind of the man who always had words of advice and encouragement for us.

God bless you and keep you, Vincent (Muttakibir) Brooks! We love you!

Janazah Service

Opening Prayer

Obituary

Comment from Family & Friends

Explanation of Janazah

Imam's Comments

Janazah Prayer



Interment

Forest Green Cemetery
Morganville, New Jersey

The Glorious Morning Light

*By the Glorious
Morning Light
And by the Night
When it is still ...
The Guardian Lord
Hath not Forsaken thee
Nor is He displeased
And verily the Hereafter
Will be better for thee
Than the present.*

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank everyone for there condolences
and best wishes during our time of bereavement.



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