



### MEMOIR OF AN UNFINISHED LIFE...

*With boundless energy and a mischievous smile, he walked in the door A boy of mystery and wonder, no older than three or four*

*We watched you grow from a boy to man Always so independent, never wanting a hand*

*There were certainly hard days, I cannot tell a lie But there is nothing great worth having, that doesn't challenge you or I.*

*From Christmases to birthdays, so many great memories to share Back then you were a moody teenager, too cool to care*

*We took comfort in the fact that one day you would see... That we are greater than our circumstances, and one day have your only family*

*Life is unpredictable and God's plans do not always match our own You've been called home to heaven, to make that journey alone*

*Such a young man, too soon yet to go Your brothers mourn you so deeply, that I hope you know*

*Not a day will pass without your memory held dear Not a day will pass that we will not wish you were here*

*Dying so young, it just seems so unfair I guess we assumed you would always be there*

*Now comes the time, we must accept what is true You're gone from this life, nothing more we can do*

*We hold you in our hearts until the day we meet once more Maybe it will be you to greet us and give Heaven's grand tour*

*There is no more pain. No more hurt. No more strife. In this the memoir of an unfinished life.*

*In Loving Memory of Jamel Raymond Rounds II -  
Mahasin Peggie-Kosko*

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# In Loving Memory Of Jamel Raymond Rounds II



*Sunrise*  
**November 29, 1991**

*Sunset*  
**August 17, 2013**

**Wednesday, August 28, 2013**

**Viewing 10:00am -12:00pm**

**Service 12:00pm-1:00pm**

**The Living Gospel Baptist Church**

**23 W. Passaic Avenue**

**Rutherford, NJ 07070**

**Officiating**

**Reverend Dennis O'Neill, Pastor**

A portrait of a young man, Jamel D. Halstead, with short dark hair, wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt. He is smiling slightly and looking directly at the camera. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey.

## Obituary

**Jamel D. Halstead (Jamel Raymond Rounds II)** was born on November 29, 1991 to his parents Elaine Darcel Halstead and Raymond W. Rounds in Hackensack, N.J.

Jamel was raised by his Aunt Delores Elaine Pegaise, who later adopted him and his two brothers Jamal and Jah-Lil. He was educated in the Rutherford School system, attending Union School and then graduating in 2010 from Rutherford High School. Attending college he set out to further his education.

Jamel loved reading, sports, karate, dancing, and just "hanging" with friends. He enjoyed playing video games and exploring the internet. He loved modeling for the Student Aide Council's fashion shows.

Jamel grew up in Christ attending Mt. Ararat Baptist Church in Rutherford, N.J. He sang in the children's choir, was an acolyte, and an usher. Being a member of the Sunday School, he recited bible verses in the church programs. As an adult, Jamel continued his Christian journey as a member of The Living Gospel Baptist Church in Rutherford, N.J. He loved the church programs and groups attending functions and uniting with Rev. Dennis O'Neill and his family.

Jamel's journey transitioned to his eternal walk in heaven on August 17, 2013. Preceding him in death was his father, Raymond W. Rounds and his loving grandmother, Marcella Bratcher. Jamel leaves his cherished memories with his mother, Elaine Halstead; his loving Aunt Delores Elaine Pegaise; his sister Edith Moore; his brothers, Tyrone Muhammad, Jamal Halstead, and Jah-Lil Pegaise; nephews Michael and Matthew Moore; and his sister-in-law Theresa Halstead; a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

## Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional .....Clergy, Pallbearers, Family

Hymn of Faith

Scripture  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Period of Meditation

Prayer of Solace

Acknowledgements/Obituary

Reflections .....Reverend Ray Frazier  
Mt. Ararat Baptist Church Rutherford, NJ  
Reverend Dennis O'Neill

Solo

Words of My Brother .....Jamel Halstead

Message..... Reverend Dennis O'Neill

Recessional .....“I'll Fly Away”

Committal Rites and Benediction  
Wednesday, August 28, 2013  
East Ridgelawn Cemetery  
Clifton, New Jersey

The family acknowledges all the acts of kindness extended to them during their time of bereavement.