



In Loving Memory of
Joseph A. Osborne, III

Sunrise
June 9, 1984

Sunset
December 2, 2013

Service

Monday, December 9, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.

GREATER ZION HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
2365 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Obituary



Joseph Alexander Osborne III affectionately called Lil Joey was called to rest from labor on Monday, December 2, 2013 at 3:40pm. He was the only child, born to the proud parents Shantel Sharon Renee Morrison and Joseph Alexander Osborne, II in Harlem Hospital, Harlem New York.

By the age of two, Joseph started accumulating his many awards; first of them all, Day Care awards for 1st place tricycle riding, junior hurdles and junior sprint. Joseph started his formal education at Public School 145 where he played football and basketball for “Say No To Drugs”. After graduating, he received an academic scholarship to Milton Hershey School, Hershey, Pennsylvania. There he was in the 4H varsity club and played basketball and football. Due to the untimely death of his favorite aunt, Nicey, Lil Joey came back home and finished his last year at Edward A. Reynolds Westside High School, Manhattan NY.

Joseph was known for his athletic abilities and his kind and generous demeanor everywhere he went. In Joseph’s adult years, he ventured into many directions as he tried to find his purpose, which led to his employment at the homeless shelter for men; a mason tender apprentice with Local 79, and through volunteering his time for a local youth basketball team, Joey’s potential and rapport with the team was recognized by the coaching staff and he became their assistant coach. Joey’s true passion was physical fitness and had recently started his own business, We R Fitness, as a personal trainer encouraging and assisting individuals to reach optimal fitness and good health. Recently returning to school, Joey continued his education attending the Swedish Institute Manhattan NY. There he was in the Advanced Personal Training and Occupational Therapy Associate Degree program. Joseph was most admired for his friendly demeanor and respect for his elders.



Joseph leaves to cherish his memories: his Mother, Shantel Morrison-Cantave, NYC; Father, Joseph Osborne, NYC; Grandmother, Annie Morrison, MD; Grandfather, Authur Rodrigues, NYC; Godmother Tamara Cantave, NYC; Godmother, Mildred, NYC; Godsister, Charys Torres, TN; four Uncles, Rodney Morrison & Wife Norma NC, Charles Osborne, Jr., NYC, Jamal Rodrigues, NYC and Dwayne

Rodrigues, NYC; three Aunts, Sheena Morrison, DC, Margie Clarke, NYC and Mary Osborne, NYC; one Grand Uncle, Arcangell Martinez; his favorite Cousin, Susanna “Suki” Osborne; Girlfriend, Risse and her children and; a host of first and second cousins, family and friends, the best of all Tim, Mike and Breon and lastly, his precious dog, Cotton Bliss who he called Mamas.



Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing


Recessional



Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory
Chester, New York

When Tomorrow Starts Without Me



When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.

-Author unknown

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The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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