

In Loving Memory



Richard Theodore McCray

Sunrise
February 18, 1945

Sunset
March 30, 2015

Service

Monday, April 6, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

Morning Star Community Christian Center
1009 Chandler Avenue, Linden, New Jersey
Rev. Gwenda Grant, Officiating

Obituary

Richard T. McCray was born on February 18, 1945 in Port Jarvis, New York to Lawrence T. McCray and Lillian B. Kincaid.

Richard was the fourth oldest of nine children and was raised in Scotch Plains, New Jersey. He lived the majority of his life in Colonia before relocating to Woodbridge, New Jersey in 1977.

Richard graduated from the Woodbridge School system. After high school, he became a Correction Officer at Eastern State Prison (formerly Rahway Prison).

In the late 1960's and early 1970's, Richard was a school bus driver for Woodbridge Township. During this time, he started his first business-Richard T. McCray Maintenance and Janitorial Service.

Richard was definitely an entrepreneur. He was an ambitious go getter who didn't let anything stand in the way of achieving the goals he set for himself.

In 1987, before attending law school, Richard married Mary Skipworth and even after their divorce, he always kept her near.

In the early 90's, he earned a Juris Prudence degree from LaSalle University, became a licensed insurance agent and a certified mediator in 2012.

After obtaining his insurance license, Richard established R.T. McCray and Associates, currently located in Woodbridge, New Jersey.

During his lifetime, Richard made more friends than could ever be counted. He delightfully introduced himself to all he met. Conversations with him were full of laughter and at times-serious. His mannerisms always pulled you into his circle of friendship and he would do anything for you. In life, he helped many. If he couldn't help, he would be sure to find someone that could.

One of Richard's greatest accomplishments was writing a novel - "The Litigators".

Richard has been the devoted companion of Diana Lynn Tront for over thirty-five years. They talked everyday and spent every weekend together sharing life.

Richard's sudden passing is certainly a loss but the memories of his bravado and over the top style leaves a warmth that few can give. He would want all of his relatives and friends to know that he was very happy not only loving you, laughing with you but also doing business with you.

Richard always spoke with his brother Ronald on a regular basis. He also enjoyed the time he spent with his friend, Derek Armstead and his family and relatives from Virginia.

Richard leaves to cherish his loving memory: his companion, Diana Lynn Tront; sisters, Lorriane Adams, Martrice McCray, Ibernet McCray and Regina McCray; brothers, Andrew McCray and Ronald McCray and numerous family members and friends. He is predeceased by his parents and sisters, Joan McCray Brown and Evelyn McCray Edwards.

Order of Service

Prelude.....Minister of Music

Prayer Comfort

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3:1-2,4.....Lisa Armstead Ormon

New Testament - John 14:1-4.....Brianna Armstead

Selection

Acknowledgment.....Elan McCray Rivers

Remarks.....Andrew Mays

Derek Armstead

Ronald McCray

Selection

Eulogy..... Rev. Gwenda Grant

Benediction

Recessional

Cremation
(Private)
Rosehill Crematory
Linden, New Jersey



Family and friends are invited for a repast immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

What Will You Remember When I'm Gone?

Will you remember... the things I said...the people I past along the way... Will you remember the ripples as they bellowed away, casting their memories to the unending shadows where tears drop no more...will you remember me when I'm gone?

Will you remember the way I look... the dress to impress straight nappy hair parted pleated and all it took...will you remember the heart felt pain harboring in my brain when I couldn't feed you...the nights I tremble asking why, why over and over again I cried...will you remember when I was asking...seeking pleading no more...will you remember the day you heard me sing a song sweet mellow telling you...I was wrong.

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!



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