

Celebration Of Life
Herman Rozier

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JANUARY 1, 1966

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SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

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White Rock Baptist Church
1101 Chandler Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036



Rev. Dr.
Michael R.
McClain

Life Reflections

Herman Rozier was born on January 1, 1966, in Elizabeth, New Jersey, to the late Johnny and Ludie Rozier. A devoted son, brother, father, grandfather, uncle, cousin, and friend, Herman touched the lives of many with his warmth and kindness. On September 9, 2026, he gained his heavenly wings at the age of 60, leaving behind a legacy of love, cherished memories, and lasting impact on all who knew him.

Raised in Linden, New Jersey, Herman was educated in the Union County School System. With his family, he attended White Rock Baptist Church at an early age, where he developed a strong sense of faith and community. Throughout his life, Herman held a variety of jobs, but most recently served as a Funeral Assistant with G.G. Woody Funeral Home, where he continued his lifelong commitment to serving others.

Herman was known for his kind heart, generous spirit, and unwavering willingness to help others. Whenever someone was in need, he was always there, ready to lend a helping hand without hesitation. He would truly give you the shirt off his back and never expect anything in return. Herman was also famous for his "tell it like it is" attitude. There was never any sugarcoating with him. If you asked for his opinion, you were going to get it straight, no chaser. In true Herman fashion, he often took charge of households that weren't even his, offering advice, giving directions, fixing things around the house that nobody asked him to fix, and making sure everyone was doing things "the right way." While his outspoken nature often brought plenty of laughter, playful eyerolls, and more than a few "SMH" moments from his family, it was all rooted in his genuine love and concern for those around him. Herman believed in looking out for people, and he showed that love through his actions just as much as his words.

Anyone who knew Herman knew he enjoyed life's simple pleasures and lived life on his own terms. He was a loyal New York Jets fan, and I mean loyal. Some might even say he deserved an award for sticking with them through the years! Through every loss and the promise that "next year would be our year." Herman never stopped believing that better days were ahead. He was equally passionate about the New York Knicks and never hesitated to tell anyone who would listen, "Knicks in 5" with the kind of certainty that only Herman could have.

Herman loved a good action movie, graphic T-shirts, and rarely went anywhere without one of his signature hats. Music was another one of his great loves. He enjoyed DJ'ing and had a special gift for bringing people together through music, laughter, and good vibes. And if you really knew Herman, then you knew that in addition to house music, the one artist who stayed in heavy rotation was Lil Durk. Yes, Lil Durk! He wasn't shy about it either. If the topic of Lil Durk came up, he was ready to defend him like he was getting paid to be his personal spokesperson. No matter what anyone said.

Herman was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Charlie and Julia Rozier; his maternal grandparents, Maeola and Jimmy Redding; his parents Johnny and Ludie Rozier; and his beloved grandson, Corry Gary, Jr.

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted son, Corry Gary (Yaira); his treasured grandchildren, Kayla Pena-Gary, Israel Thornton-Gary, Jamirah Gary, Zaira Gary, Alyson Gary, and Adyson Gary; his loving sisters, Josezetta Manning (Andre) and Courtney Archie; his brothers, Johnny "Little Johnny" Rozier, Jr. (Tammy) and Luckie Rozier (Kimeo); his beloved aunt, Rose McGhee; his cherished godsister, Latoya Stevenson; his godbrother, Daniel Adams, Jr.; his longtime friend, Toni Peterson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family members, and dear friends who will forever cherish his love, laughter, and memory.

To Honor. To Remember. To Give Hope. These words beautifully reflect the legacy that Herman leaves behind. Throughout his life, Herman found joy in helping others, and even in his passing, that spirit of generosity continued. Through the NJ Sharing Network, Herman gave the priceless gift of hope to four individuals and their families. While our hearts are broken by his loss, we find comfort in knowing that a part of Herman continues to live on. His final act of selflessness gave others a second chance, a new beginning, and precious time with their loved ones. That gift is truly immeasurable. Herman is our Hero, knowing that his kindness, compassion, and giving spirit are still making a difference and bring us peace during this difficult time.

We are deeply honored by the lives he touched and look forward to one day meeting the recipients and families whose lives have been forever changed by his incredible gift. In those individuals, Herman's legacy will continue to shine brightly. Though he is no longer with us physically, his love, his spirit, and his gift will continue to live on in the hearts and lives of others for years to come.

Order of Service

Presiding, Rev. Dr. Michael R. McClain, Pastor
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ORGAN PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy and Family

OPENING HYMN
“Hold to God’s Unchanging Hand”

OLD TESTAMENT
NEW TESTAMENT

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SOLO
Minister Barry Walker

RADNEY FAMILY RESOLUTION
Mylene Porter (Cousin)

REFLECTIONS (2 MINUTES PLEASE)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & OBITUARY
Rene Pearson-Small (Cousin)

SOLO
Minister Barry Walker

EULOGY
Rev. Brandon Thornton (Cousin)
Bethel AME Church, 714 Savannah Street, Mobile, AL

PALLBEARERS
Michael Cromwell, Ayoola Elliott, Jakeel Gary, Andre Manning,
Keshawn Munford & David Disu

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Dad, your love was a blessing to my entire family. The time we shared with you created memories that we will cherish forever. Though our hearts are heavy, we find comfort knowing that your love and legacy will live on through each of us. Your witty charm, and the special moments we shared will never be forgotten.

We love you, and we will miss you more than words can express.

**With Love Always,
Your Son, Daughter-in-Love and Grandchildren**



Acknowledgement

*The family of **Herman Rozier** will be forever grateful for the tremendous outpouring of love, support, and kindness shown to us during this difficult time. There are simply no words to express how thankful we are for every phone call, visit, prayer, comforting word, and act of service.*

Your love has strengthened us, uplifted us, and reminded us that we do not walk this journey alone. Whether you visited, sent a message, prepared a meal, offered encouragement, or simply kept our family in your prayers, please know that every gesture was deeply appreciated and will never be forgotten.

The Gary, Rozier and Elliott Family

