

*In Loving Memory of*



*Larry Holmes*

*Sunrise*  
*May 25, 1959*

*Sunset*  
*November 6, 2018*

*Monday, November 12, 2018*  
*Viewing: 9:00 am - 11:00 am*  
*Service: 11:00 am*

**Whigham Funeral Home**  
580 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Newark, New Jersey

## *Obituary*

**Larry Holmes** was born on May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1959 to Catherine Sally Beth Holmes and Cleveland Story, in Newark, NJ. Larry had five siblings, Alfreda Holte of Bloomfield NJ, Evelyn Holte of Bloomfield NJ, Josh Holte of Atlanta Georgia, Raymond Holte of Union NJ, and Sonya Holte of Pensacola Florida.

Larry was raised in Newark, NJ where he attended Camden Middle Street School and Barringer High School. Larry was active in sports during his earlier years participating in high school football where he excelled.

After high school Larry worked for several companies notably, Rutgers University as a campus Police Officer and NJ Department of Corrections as a Corrections Officer. However, Larry found his passion later in life as a Drug Abuse and Addiction Counselor at St. Michaels Hospital in Newark, NJ. Larry was passionate about his work on educating the community with prevention resources. Larry received training from the NJ Department of Health and Human Services, UMDNJ, NJCRI and other agencies focused on prevention, treatment of addiction and infections. Larry received countless certificates of appreciation for his work and dedication in the field of counseling. Larry left St. Michaels in 2016 and started a small business, which he loved.

Larry accepted Christ as a young adult and attended Deliverance Pentecostal and later Gravel Hill Church, both located in Newark, NJ.

Larry was known throughout Newark and the community as a man willing to help anyone especially those struggling with addictions. He loved providing hope to men and women and helping them to find resources to live a better life. Apart from taking care of others, Larry loved his weekly haircuts from his barber, Harvey and staying in touch with his many cousins. Larry loved being able to help people through his moving business and appreciated his “crew” greatly. Larry loved life, was a fighter, and never complained about his health issues. Larry loved spending time with his family in Bloomfield, Union, and was close to his family.

Larry departed this life at 10:53 am on November 6, 2018.

Larry is survived by three sisters, Alfreda Holte, Evelyn Holte and Sonya Holte-Merchant; two brothers and sisters in law, Josh & Michele Holte, Raymond & Suzette Holte; five nieces, Alnisha Russell, Tahaya Velez, Delisha Smith, Lauren Holte and Catherine Holte; three nephews, Zachary Holte, Brandon Holte and Joshua Holte; two great nieces, Aaliyah Russell and Alanni Velez; one great nephew, Alexander Russell; two uncles, Nelson Holmes and Joel Holmes; four aunts, Margaret Hudson, Bessie Tisdale, Mary Sue Boyd and Rosalie Holmes. Larry is also survived by his long-time love of over twenty years, Valerie Conway and a host of other relatives and friends that will cherish him in their hearts.

# Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Scripture Readings .....Alnisha Russell  
Catherine Holte

Musical Selections/Hymns .....Kathy Lawrence-Brown

Prayer of Consolation..... Rev. Rodney Brooks

Acknowledgements..... Delisha Smith

Reading of Obituary .....Lauren Holte

Poem..... Brandon Holte

Special Remark ..... Valarie Conway

Brief Informal Tributes .....(Please limit remarks to 3 minutes)

Eulogy/Life Tribute.....Rev. Rodney Brooks

Recessional

## **Interment**

Hollywood Memorial Park  
1500 Stuyvesant Ave, Union, NJ

## **Repast:**

Immediately following the Interment at:  
VFW-Veterans of Foreign Wars  
2012 High Street, Union, NJ



### *Acknowledgement*

*The family of **Larry Holmes** wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.*

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