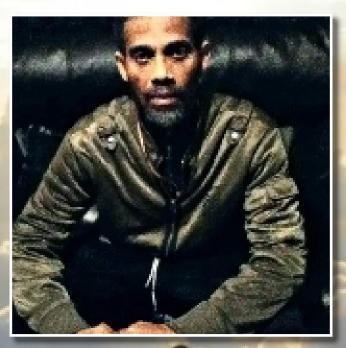
In Loving Memory of



Conrad Watts

Sunrise: July 23, 1969

Sunset: January 27, 2019

Service

Friday, February 8, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

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<u>Obituary</u>



Conrad Sylvester Watts of St. John's, Antigua, departed our earthly home on January 27th, 2019, leaving behind a wonderful legacy characterized by uncommon humbleness, love, family values and artistry. Born July, 23rd, 1969 as the eldest child to Janet (Jean) Hughes and Fitzroy (Devon) Watts, Conrad grew up on Green Bay Hill. Conrad has two sisters and a brother in Antigua; Charmaine, Melissa and Vaughn. He also has a brother in America; Dalma. Conrad often echoed his childhood memories of life in Antigua, especially noting the bond with his sister Charmaine. The two grew up very close in age. While he often taunted, teased and even bullied her, these were all affectionate gests of an older brother.

He was involved in basketball throughout high school. He attended Sunday school and enjoyed an array of ventures on the beaches of his beautiful country. After completing high school, Conrad migrated to America and shortly moved to the Bronx thereafter. During this time he also would begin his apprenticeship in Drywall Taping. The skill eventually became his career as he endured the Construction Industry over a 30 year era. Conrad worked relentlessly and has partaken in the building and restoration of countless homes and infrastructure throughout the Tri-State area.

In the 1990s, Conrad married the love of his life, Kiva "K," Perkins-Watts. The two shared a world wind five year courtship that officially joined their families on September, 18th, 1994. Conrad and Kiva moved to Mount Vernon and purchased their first home and raised three children there, Conasia Michyle 24, Kamaal Omari 17 and Kiyara Mariam 15. Conrad was known as "The Mayor," by the neighbors. He could spark a conversation up with anyone and was loved not only by the families but the children of our community as well. You would often catch him outside either coaching his eldest and her brother or out there competing with them himself.

Conrad was devoted to providing his three children with an upstanding education and strong cultural and religious background. "Nuh mek Nobody Steal Yu Joy," a phrase he constantly repeated to them. Conrad was well known at the kids' schools. He rarely missed any of their sporting events. He was always front and center, there to celebrate each and every milestone. In the early 2000s, Conrad began attending the Ethiopian Orthodox Christian Church and raised his children the same. He became a member and was baptized in 2005 on as Mahatama Sellasie.

Many knew, "C," as an avid lover of Reggae music. He and "K" often attended concerts, jams and live shows together. But, he also had a passion for writing. His subject matter incorporated all intertwining aspects of his life. Content focused not only on religion, but love and politics. Conrad used this skill to flourish in new ways as well. In recent years he developed into a popular and well known poet. He began to perform at different venues, Open Mics and gain a strong social media following. He will leave behind the legacy of Mahatama Poetry and his children plan to ensure it lives on.

Left to celebrate the life and legacy of Conrad are: his wife, Kiva Perkins-Watts; two daughters, Conasia and Kiyara Watts; son, Kamaal Watts; parents, Jean and Devon; siblings, Charmaine, Melissa, Vaughn and Dalma; and a host of cousins in America and Antigua.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

<u>Interment</u>

Kensico Cemetery Valhalla, New York

REPAST:

The family will receive friends at Alhambra Ballroom on: Saturday, February 9, 2019 from 1pm to 4pm

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in Heaven: give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them that trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us and rescue us from all evil for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER OF ST. MARIAM

O Holy Virgin Mariam in the peace of the Angel Gabriel, peace be unto thee.

Thou are Virgin in Spirit as well as in body O thou Mother of Perfect God, peace be unto thee, Blessed are thou amongst women and Blessed is the fruit of thy womb. Rejoice, O thou who are full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Ask and pray for us to thy Beloved Son, Eeyesus Kiristos, that he may have mercy upon our souls and forgive us our sins. Amen

PALLBEARERS:

Kamaal Watts Pelle Lashton Cazema Knight Fitzgerald Williams Dalma Watts Malick



<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family would like to give a special thanks for the compassion, friendship and assistance to Bill and Pam Perkins, Devon Watts, The Horace Mann School, Conrad's devout friends, Lion and Cazema, and Piper and Malick. The family also 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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