## Celebrating the Life of **Reginald Williams**

Sunrise July 31, 1958 Sunset November 27, 2019



## <u>Obituary</u>

On Wednesday, November 27, 2019, God called Reggie to eternal rest.

Reginald Williams was born on July 31, 1958 in Newark, NJ, the first born of Luella E. Williams and Willie D. Williams, both of whom preceded him in death. Reggie, as his family and friends called him, graduated from East Side High School in Newark, NJ. Soon after high school, Reggie joined the United States Air Force on September 9, 1977 and graduated with a PDS PQZ certificate of training from Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, IL. Here he learned to troubleshoot, align and calibrate cockpit instruments and various flight control surfaces. During this time, Reggie met the love of his life Diana Marchbanks. Upon completing his training Reggie was transferred to Cannon AFB in Clovis, New Mexico where he repaired aircraft, and received a Character Service award. He was Honorable discharged from the Air Force on March 13, 1979 as an Integrated Avionic Systems Specialist.

Reggie moved to New York City where he worked a variety of jobs. He was always slim so he had difficulty finding clothes for his long legs and 29-inch waist. He exercised regularly with his "Bullworker," loved to dance at "Paradise Garage" and listened to shock jock Howard Stern. In 1990, Reggie reconnected with Diana, who was living in Washington, DC. They were married in Chicago, IL on November 30, 1991 and honeymooned in Montego Bay, Jamaica!

Reggie obtained his Commercial Driver's License and became a driver for the ATE/Ride-on bus in Montgomery County, MD. When he and Diana moved back to New Jersey, he continued to utilize his CDL as he drove for Coach USA and a casino limo service in Atlantic City where he put his wedding tuxedo to good use. Returning to Newark, Reggie worked at Newark airport for Ogden Aviation fueling airplanes.

Reggie was a loving and devoted husband. His love was never selfish, always gentle, kind strong and proud. Everyone who knew him thought he was a serious-minded man who stood up for what was right. He loved his family, especially his wife Diana who was his best friend. Unfortunately, Reggie and Diana did not have any children as their daughter, Christiana Ellamarie Williams died before her birth. Reggie and Diana did have a black cat "Sugar" who he loved very much. Reggie was always willing to give to others.

Reggie leaves behind to cherish his memory his loving wife Diana, brother Willie Williams (Kym) and niece Kelly of Yardley PA, aunt Joyce (Righty Hunter) devoted cousin Monique Mya Burnett of Newark, NJ, brother-in-law Craig Marchbanks (Owinda), and nephews Richard (Christine), Matthew and Joshua of Chicago, IL. Reggie is also survived by Paternal aunt Annie Williams-Garrett of East Orange, NJ, uncle Johnnie Williams of Wilson, NC, and step-mother, Mrs. Vera Williams Bell.

Reggie has had a number of relatives who have preceded him in death including: Maternal uncles Earl Warren, A.J. Warren, Zebeder Warren, Paul Warren and Fred Warren; aunts Pauline Sanders, Naomi Thompson, Dixie Clark, Bernice Erkins; Paternal aunts Daisy Lewis, Mary Newsome, Bessie Williams, and Shirley Williams; and mother-in-law Audrey June Borowski (Kenneth), and father-in-law Ellsner Finley Marchbanks (Gretta), stepbrothers Oatman Devon King and Willie Elpasso King.







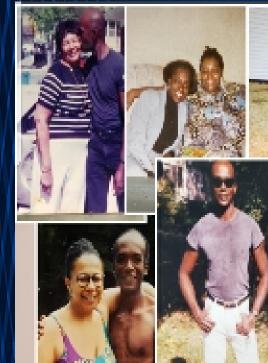
























































You Will Always Be the Only Love for Me

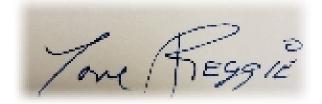
My mind always drifts back to the first time we met. I keep trying to figure out how this happened to us. What did we do or say to bring us so close together and keep us there all the time? Maybe there never was meant to be an explanation; I don't think I even want one... One day you just find someone who touches a secret place within you, and you are never ever the same...

Sometimes it seems as if we have created our own language, where every word we speak has a meaning for our love alone.

Sometimes it seems as if we've made our own world, where love influences all we do.

Sometimes it seems as if we created love.

Reginald and Diana



## I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free! -author unknown

## <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of **Reginald Williams** wishes to extend our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness and sympathy shown to us at our time of bereavement. God bless you all for your thoughtfulness and concern.

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