



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

God saw him getting tired, and a cure was not to be
He wrapped him in His loving arms and whispered "come with me"
He suffered much in silence, his spirit did not bend.
He faced his pain with courage until the very end.

He tried so hard to stay with us but his fight was not in vain,
God took him to His loving home and freed him from the pain!

R.I.H RYJON Forever in our hearts

Gone but never forgotten!

To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord!
Love You Rah-Rah R.I.P until we meet again!

12-10-72 to 3-6-20

Acknowledgement

The family of **Ryjon Marcus Burke** 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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In Loving Memory of Ryjon Marcus Burke

*Sunrise
December 10, 1972*

*Sunset
March 6, 2020*

Obituary



On Friday, March 6, 2020, God called his son Ryjon Marcus Burke home. Ryjon was born December 10, 1972 in Jersey City, NJ, to Betty Jean Burke and the late Larry Burke, he was one of 6 children; the baby boy of that union.

Ryjon attended Scotch Plains Fanwood High School, in Scotch Plains, NJ in 1991. In 1992 he met Elizabeth R. Williams, the two were married in May of 2001; they have been together for 28 years. Out of that union, they have 3 sons, Ryjon Marcus Burke Jr.,

Ellijah R. Burke and Isaiah Burke. Ryjon was a man of great faith, he had a strong relationship with God, and he loved and valued his family. He was loved and respected by many. Ryjon was the life of every party, he left a lasting impression on everyone who he came in contact with him, love him or not; you won't forget him or his name. He was full of life and he lived every moment of it. He was always about family, family was very important to him, any opportunity to be around family and friends; rest assures he was there. Ryjon was a man of great confidence, strength and swag. A style all his own, Timberland boots, Nike's or all white Nike Air Force 1 he wore it well, topping it off with a fitted Yankee's hat in every color; to complement is style.

His famous quotes, "I know better, now I must do better", "Live life on life terms". If you needed a good laugh, Ryjon was there, you needed help, he was there, you need to be spiritually feed, he was the one to deliver the word. He would give you his last, if you needed it. He was that kind of man and much much more. He will be forever loved and deeply missed.

In addition to his beloved wife Elizabeth R. Burke, he leaves to continue his legacy four sons, Ja'Nye Knight (Atlanta, GA), Ryjon Marcus Burke Jr., Ellijah R. Burke and Isaiah Z. Burke; four grandchildren, Arianah Burton, Abel King, Zariah Coldstone and Alyas King; mother, Betty Jean Burke; two sisters, Shonda and Elizabeth Burke; two brothers, Lawrence and Andre Burke; father-in-law, Raymond N. Williams Sr.; five brothers-in-law, Raymond N. (Pam) Williams Jr., Ronald H. Williams, Rodger T. (Cheryl) Williams, Robert P. Williams and Mark Jefferson; nine nieces, eleven nephews; two great nieces and three great nephews; his homeboy, Walter Wells, and a host of family and friends.

He was preceded in death by Larry Burke (Father) Yvonda Burke (Sister) and Charlotte E. Williams (Mother-in-Law).

Home Going Service
Friday, March 13, 2020 - 11:00 a.m.

Mt. Pisgah AME Church

354 Forrest Street
Jersey City, New Jersey
Reverend D. Stanley Hearst, Pastor
Apostle Robert Davis, Officiating

Order of Service

Officiating	Apostle Robert Davis
Musical Prelude	Rev. Jonathan Dale II, Organist
Processional	Clergy & Family
Words of Assurance	Bishop Robinson
Musical Selection	"I Don't Know About Tomorrow" Hattie Horton
Scripture Reading	
Old Testament – Psalms 23	Donna Henderson
New Testament – John 14:1-7	Donna Henderson
Prayer of Comfort	Bishop Robinson
Words of Reflections	2 minutes please
Poem.....	Kenia Burke
Reading of Obituary	Kenia Buke
Solo - "Amazing Grace"	Tashira Wheeler
Eulogy	Apostle Robert Davis
Final Viewing	Jackson Funeral Residence
Benediction	Apostle Robert Davis

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