

# *Celebrating the Life of*



## *Joseph Coleman, Sr.*

**Sunrise**  
**March 22, 1936**

**Sunset**  
**September 24, 2020**

**Tuesday, October 6, 2020 - 10am**

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# Obituary



**Joseph Preston Coleman, Sr.** was born on March 22, 1937, in Alabama. He was the son of Earl Coleman Ben-Saba Nu'Mani and Jessie Bell Davis Aahirah Nu'Mani. Joseph affectionately called "Joe", had the wonderful opportunity with his older siblings to stay on his grandmother Minnie Davis' farm in Benton, Alabama.

At age 2, Joe and his family moved to Harlem, New York. Joe attended public elementary and high school in Harlem, New York. He loved music, cars, making friends and he learned to speak Spanish fluently in his East Harlem Neighborhood.

Joe became a professional Limousine Driver and a Licensed New York City Cab Driver. He also worked and co-owned with his father, Shabazz Car Service in Harlem, New York.

Joe had a warm affection for his mother. He called her "Ma Dear". He would joke around and say "Ma Dear, don't you worry they're just Knuckle Heads", and Ma Dear would shake her head and smile. Joe would help her with various fundraising, educational projects to simple errands and he helped pay for his mother's Janaza (funeral).

Joseph and Debbie have one son, Joseph Jr., three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

He leaves his son, Joseph Coleman, Jr.; his granddaughter, Naeemah; grandson, Bilal; granddaughter, Janay; great-grandsons, Xavier, Bilal, and Thomas; great-granddaughters, Kaniyah and Malaysha; his sisters, Minnie Ali, Faridah Pasha, Malikah Nu'Mani Ikhlas, and Becca Nu'Mani-Muhammad; sister-in-law, Rosemarie Schenk; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

# *Order of Service*

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## *Interment*

Maple Grove Cemetery  
Hackensack, New Jersey

## *Surah XI Ayat XI*

"Not so do those who show patience and constancy, and work righteousness; for them is forgiveness (of sins) and a great reward."



## *Acknowledgement*

*We would like to give a special thank you to Salahuddin Nu'Mani Cecil Coleman, Jr. for his consistently unselfish care to his Uncle Joseph and his affairs. We are grateful for your sincerity and May Allah (God) reward you.*

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