

In Loving Memory of



Kareem Robert Burke

Sunrise
September 27, 1980

Sunset
January 27, 2021

Service:
Wednesday, February 3, 2021 - 6:00pm

MCCALL'S BRONXWOOD FUNERAL HOME

4035 Bronxwood Avenue • Bronx, New York 10466

Reverend Casper. D. Niles, Sr., Officiating

Rev. Courtney Scullark, Organist

Obituary

Kareem Burke was born on September 27, 1980, in the Bronx. Weighted 6lb-14 oz. His Father named him after the Famous NBA all-star basketball player Kareem Abdul Jabbar. Every father wants a son to bond with. While Mother wants to care for and protect their son. I will never forget when I was in the bathroom on the maternity unit. I heard a baby crying and knew right away that it was my son and my maternal instinct started to kick in.

Our fondest memories of Kareem were him playing with his collection of Ninja turtles and Nintendo Super Mario brothers. He was very athletic. He played basketball, football, and riding his bike. Many weekends he spent with cousins playing in the park, cookout, birthday parties. He Attended P.S.97, Middle School, and Truman High School eventually received his GED.

Kareem's love for music had his DJ equipment. I remember one time he tried to break dance into the living room to Michael Jackson. He starts to write his Lyrics. He wanted to have a career in the music industry. He was going to the Institute of Audio Research in Manhattan.

When he was in a bad motor vehicle accident that left him with severe brain trauma. He may not have been able to accomplish his goals of a music career. Nevertheless, our son even though Incapacitated taught us some valuable lessons. That there is a God that loves us. No matter what life throws at you still have to fight to survive in this world even when the odds are against you.

Kareem leaves behind his father Robert Burke, mother Sophia, Grandmother Lucille Henry, Aunts Fay Henry and Carlene Miller, Cousins Jermaine Hines and Latoya Hines-Mighty, Father side family Aunts Lorna and Nicolette Burke, Five Uncles, Earl, Hugh, William, Franklyn and Denzil, Cousins, Kenisha, Darnell, Nastassia, Nyshea, Nadaniel, Dwayne, Jomel, Shakeem, Ishmael, Sheba, Corrie, Calion, Nadine, Amy, Dave and Cohen.

Order of Service

Presiding - Reverend Casper. D. Niles, Sr.

Opening Hymn..... “It Is Well With My Soul”
(Sung by Rev. Courtney Scullark)

Scripture

Old Testament Reading (Lamentation 3:22-24)Fay Henry

New Testament (St. John 11:25-26)

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Casper D. Niles, Sr.

Selection

PoemRobert Burke

Words of Expression.....Family and Friends

Acknowledgment of cards and Resolution

Obituary.....Sophia Burke

Solo.....Rev. Courtney Scullark

Eulogy.....Rev. Casper D. Niles, Sr.

Closing Hymn..... “What A Friend We Have In Jesus”
(Sung by Rev. Courtney Scullark)

Final Disposition

Ferncliff Cemetery
Hartsdale, New York

“Trust in the lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall direct thy paths.”

-Proverbs Chapter 3 verse 5-6

Into the Freedom of The Wind

Into the freedom of the wind and the Sunshine, “We Let You Go”.

Into the Dance of the Stars and the Plants, “We Let You Go”

Into the wind breath the hands of star makers “We Let You Go”.

**We Love you. We Miss you. We want you to be happy. Go safely,
Dancing, and Go running home forever Love you.**

-Robert Burke

(Written by Robert Burke.

Dedicating this poem to his son Kareem Burke)

Acknowledgments

The family of Kareem Burke wishes to express our sincere thanks for the flowers and other expressions of love during our time of bereavement.

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