

*Home Going Celebration of*



*Derek Drain*

**Sunrise**  
**July 31, 1960**

**Sunset**  
**March 31, 2021**

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021 - 6:00 pm**

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

1406 Pitkin Avenue • Brooklyn, NY 11233

**Pastor Joseph Cox, Officiating**

**Fabien Relph, Organist**

# *Obituary*

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## **Life Journey of Derek James Drain, III**

### **Entrance of a King:**

Derek James Drain, III was born to Sarah Drain and the late James Drain, Jr. on July 31, 1960 in Brooklyn, New York. Derek grew up in Cypress Hills where he attended P.S. 214, I.S. 218 for education and graduated from Chelsy High School. Derek met Valarie Harris in 1983 and on June 17, 1984 they were married and Valarie then became Valarie Drain.

### **Life of a King:**

Derek was a hard working and loving man. He was a bike messenger for over 30 years and then became a construction worker. He loved to rebuild things and fix anything that's possible. Derek was a loving father to his kids that he spoiled so much. He loved to cook; one of his favorite meals was fried chicken, collard greens, white rice, and cornbread. He cooked everything, but whatever he cooked, fried chicken was on the side. Derek loved his music. He enjoyed to D.J. and just lay back and enjoy the sound. He enjoyed watching his sports, but most of all football and basketball as well as playing spades. Mr. Drain was a very genuine man, if you needed something, he would lend a helping hand.

### **A Time to Die:**

Preceded him in his death is his father; James Drain, Jr. On Wednesday, March 31, 2021 Derek James Drain, III was called home to be with his heavenly father.

Derek leaves to cherish his memories his four children; Darnette Drain, Derek Drain, IV., Tyrell Norris, and Daquan Norris; two Goddaughters, Charisma Moore and Kenya Davis; three brothers, Allen Drain of Brooklyn, New York, Kenneth Darryl Drain (Deloris) of Greenville, South Carolina, and Ronald Milton Drain (Yvonne) of Long Island, New York; one sister, Susan Drain-Weir; three grandchildren, De'Rae Arrington, Tymeek Cook, and Tyisha Norris; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

# *Order of Service*

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Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

*Interment*

Forest Green Park Cemetery  
Morganville, New Jersey

## *I've Changed My address*

I've changed my address to Heaven  
I've crossed the Great Divide.  
I know there's no sorrow or crying,  
Because I've reached the other side.  
I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place where you'll find me.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
I bid this world goodbye.  
I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the  
sky. I have no burdens or heartaches  
and from tears I am now free.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place to find me.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion  
and my name is on the door.  
You can find us walking together,  
for where He is, I'll always be.  
I've changed my address to Heaven,  
That's the place you'll find me.  
-Author unknown

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family 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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