IN LOVING MEMORY OF WILLIE A. PRUNTY



March 12, 1961 - July 18, 2021

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 2021 - 11:00 A.M. Cotton Funeral Service 1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

<u>OBITUARY</u>

Willie Prunty born March 12, 1961 in Newark, NJ to the late Willie Thomas and Nacomas Prunty. Willie better known as Big K or Kareem has 14 siblings raised in the city of Newark.

He was educated through the Newark public schools district and received his diploma from Barringer High School.

Willie always took care of his family no matter what. Willie met his wife Darlene on 85 Tichner st about 45 years go through a visit with his good friend and brother law Hassan. Willie and Darlene have been married for 35 and have 5 children together, Tamika, Kareem, Kareemah, Kawiah, and Malik.

Willie was a great father, brother and friend to all who crossed his path. When it came to family functions Big K was the one to prepare for cookouts, birthdays, holidays, and his anniversary. Big Kareem when he cooks... the food was the best. After you eat you'll be licking ya fingers mmhmm good! Willie loved his old school music, loved to play the drums and sing. He would sing every where he goes. The Spinners, the temptations, Del-Phonics, and Blue magic just to name a few. Willie sang to his wife Chocolate Girl by the Whispers, to his daughter Tamika "you're a big girl now, no more daddy's little girl", her favorite song by the Stylistics and he would sing to his son Kareem the Temprees a thousand miles away and many lots of others.

Willie Prunty leaves to cherish his memory: his wife Darlene Toney Prunty, daughter Tamika Toney-Wright husband Alex Wright, son Kareem Prunty wife Teara Prunty of Charlotte, NC, daughter Kareemah Toney-Anderson husband Charles Anderson of Charlotte, NC, daughter Kawiah Toney, and son Malik Toney wife Alisa Toney of Charlotte, Nc. He leaves behind 8 siblings: Shirley Wiggins, George Prunty, Ralph Prunty, Esther Prunty, Frances Prunty, Linda Prunty, Clifton Prunty Jr., Dorthy Jordan and Carolyn Ferguson, 10 grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Presiding-Dr. Rev. Linda Settles(New Life Body of Christ. Church)

Prelude- Jearl Corbett

Processional-Clergy/Family

Hymn- "We Will Understand It Better By and By"

Scripture Reading Old testament-Ecclesiastes 3:1-4 New Testament-John 14:1-4

Solo- Jearl Corbett

Acknowledgement/Obituary Reflections -2min

Solo- Jearl Corbett

Eulogy-Rev. Nathaniel Toney (New Life Body of Christ Church)

Professional- "I'll Fly Away"

TO THOSE I LOVE

To those I love and those that love me, When I am gone, release me, let me go I have so many things to see and do You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears Be happy that we had so many years. I gave you my love, you can only guess How much you gave me in happiness I thank you for the love you each have shown But now it's time I travel alone

So grieve for a while for me if you must Then let your grief be comforted by trust. It's only for a while that we must part So bless the memories within your heart

I won't be far away, for life goes on So if you need me, call and I will come Though you can't see me or touch me,

I'll be near

And if you listen with your heart you'll hear All my love around you so soft and clear And then, when you must come this way alone I'll greet you with a smile and say, "Welcome Home."

-Author unknown

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