

Celebrating The Life of
Michael Fitzgerald Johnson
"Myke"

May 21, 1970 - August 25, 2021



Home Going Services
Saturday, September 4, 2021
11:00 am Viewing
12:00 pm Service

Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church
648 Harrison Ave
Peekskill, NY

Obituary

Michael Fitzgerald Johnson was born on May 21, 1970 at Peekskill Hospital to the union of Fred Douglas Johnson, Jr. and Josephine Hall Joseph. He quietly departed this life on August 25, 2021 at home amongst loved ones.

Michael attended Peekskill City Schools graduating in 1988. He then went on to attend Westchester Community College in Valhalla, NY where he obtained his associates degree in Business. For a short span of one (1) year he attended FIT (Fashion Institute of Technology) NYC as well as Barber School.

Employment History includes retail work at United Benetton in White Plains, NY; contractor for General Electric in Croton, NY, IBM in Yorktown, NY as a Computer Programmer. Current employment was with NYS DMV (Dept. of Motor Vehicles) Manhattan headquarters.

Michael was baptized in 1997 at the Star of Bethlehem Baptist Church Ossining, NY under the leadership of the late great Reverend Doctor Arthur L. Lewter and was a member there for several years. At the time of his transitioning he was attending the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church located in Peekskill, NY.

Michael affectionately known as “Myke” was a charming very intelligent young man. He always called himself “dropping some jewels or knowledge” to others and mostly to his favorite nephew Julian with whom he shared a special bond with.

Myke was an avid music lover especially of old school rap (just to name a few: KRS1, Pete Rock & CL Smooth, De La Soul, Digital Underground & Busta Rhymes). He was also a talented sketch artist who in his spare time loved to draw, read & cook. You could also find Myke sitting at the waterfront or a park admiring the foliage as he was a nature lover or you may run into him at his favorite Stop & Shop Supermarket.

Myke also loved to challenge his brother-in-law Fred to a game of Chess and also Bible Trivia.

Michael’s contagious smile along with his big heart made him a great person to be around. Although he was big in stature and appeared serious all the time, underneath he was a teddy bear and gentle spirit. However, very out spoken and dapper dresser.

Michael is predeceased by his father, the late Fred D. Johnson, Jr. of Peekskill, NY.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his mother, Josephine Joseph of Peekskill, NY; his wife of 17 years, Adeola Parris Johnson as well as their children; Asia Johnson (daughter) and Ishmael Johnson (son) all of Wappingers Falls, NY; siblings, Terry Wilson (Greg) of Atlanta, GA; Thomas Joseph of Peekskill, NY, Lisa Smithwick (Fred) of Hopewell Junction, NY; and a host of Aunts, Uncles, Nieces, Nephews, relatives & friends.

He also leaves to mourn his extended family: the Dabbs’ (Alicia, Ms. Blanche, Justine, Stephanie & Sammy, Jr.) all of Peekskill, NY; also his “brothers for life” Stanley “The Man” Peterson, Gifford Austin, Eric “Tab” Travis, Keith Robinson, Kenneth Roundtree, Gary Dunlap, John “Heav” Smith, Qwame Madden, Jason Henderson, and Gerald “G” Hinds.

Order of Service

Rev. Nellie Johnson – Officiant
Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church
Peekskill, NY

PreludeEric Cherry

ProcessionalFamily

Selection Lia Ferguson

Scriptures

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - Matthew 11:28-30

Prayer of Comfort..... Minister Susan Hendricks
First Emmanuel Baptist Church, Nyack, NY

Selection Lia Ferguson

Acknowledgments & ObituaryDeacon Gwen Jordan
Star Bethlehem Baptist Church, Ossining, NY

Tributes & ReflectionsBlake Mayers
Family & Friends

EulogyRev. Nellie Johnson

Benediction

Recessional

Pallbearers

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| Thomas Joseph | Stanley Peterson |
| Gifford Austin | Eric Travis |
| Leonard Smythe | Robert Hall |
| Antoinne Smithwick | Blake Mayers |



Expressions of Gratitude

Our loss was sudden so we are truly humble & grateful for your many acts of sympathy, friendship and expressions of love. Perhaps you sent up prayers, sent a lovely card, a flower arrangement, kind words or just sat quietly; we saw it all. Whatever you did to console our hearts we thank you so much, whatever your part.

Sincerely,
The family of Michael F. Johnson

Arrangements Entrusted to:

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