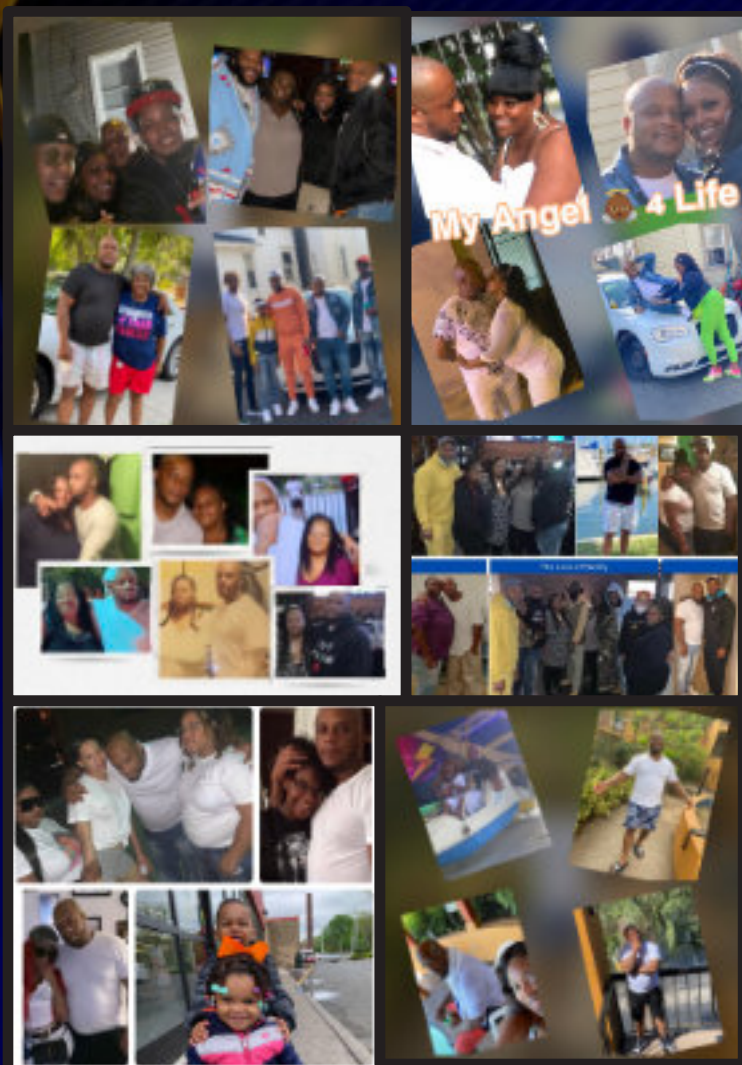


Precious Memories



The Last Hug

I remember being wrapped in your arms, happy as can be
 I'll miss all the love and hugs you continuously gave to me
 We had a real thing, a special kind of love
 Now with you gone, I can't help but to look up hoping to see your
 smiling face from the heavens above
 You will always have a special place in my heart
 I remember there was a time when it was you and I from the start
 You were the perfect comfy teddy bear
 Stuck together like glue
 Together we traveled everywhere
 I can still hear your laugh
 I can sure see your smile
 I wish we had more time
 Even if it were just for a little while
 You were so uplifting; always motivating me
 You finally got your angel wings because God set you free
 Donyell my love, my husband, and my dearest friend
 I truly don't want this poem to come to an end
 There is so much more I really want to say
 But the tears are swiftly falling because you've gone away
 We've had so many first
 I don't want this to be the last thing
 That last hug you gave me
 Protected our love forever my sweet dearest King
 So Donyell you've done a good job here
 I'll see you soon my love, in heaven when I get there
 Wrapped in your arms
 Happy as can be
 I'll miss all your love and the last hug you gave to me

In loving memory of my Husband Donyell Coley

Written by, Shannell G. Griggs

Acknowledgement

The family of the late **Donyell D. Coley** wishes to thank all of you
 for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of
 kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.
 May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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Celebration of Life for



Donyell D. Coley
"Life"

Sunrise:
 March 26, 1980

Sunset:
 August 29, 2021

Wednesday, September 8, 2021 - 12:00 Noon

CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME
 143 Myrtle Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey
 Rev. Alfred Steele, Officiating
 J. E. Williams, Organist

Obituary

Donyell Delacey Coley was born March 26, 1980, in Passaic, New Jersey to Jacqueline Coley-Kearny and the late Howard Kearny.

Donyell was known by the name “Life” which is what his presence presented when he was around. He was such a BIG teddy bear. He had a soft compassionate heart when it came to the ones he held dear to his heart. He was extremely loving and loyal to everyone; but yet tolerated no disrespect toward himself, his wife, or family. He was confined for a period of his life and released in 2014. Shortly after he relocated to Syracuse, NY with his wife, where he found change and was working towards reconstructing his life. He loved sports and his favorite teams were NY Giants and NY Knicks. He absolutely loved joking and rapping which brought “Life” any and everywhere he may have been. Overall, he was a truly loving person.

He was preceded in death by his father and grandparents: Llyod James Coley, Johnnie Mae Coley, Jessie Lu Kearny, and Early Bird Kearny.

On August 29th, 2021, God saw fit to grant you eternal life.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Juakena Casado-Coley of NJ; his mother and stepfather, Jacqueline Coley-Simmons and Elmer Simmons of Passaic County, NJ; a mother-in-law, Renae Casado of NC and father-in-law, David Casado of Florida; five children and a stepson, Dontaija Coley (26) Teshawn Coley (23), Nastazjia Coley (23), Porchea Jordan (22) all of Passaic County, NJ, Damyjah Coley (20) of Pineville, North Carolina and Davion Casado (25) of North Carolina; two grandchildren, Karter Coley (4), Kaelyn Coley (1) of NJ and step-grandson Jaquez Casado (5) of NC; four siblings, Jeremiah King, Joshua Kearny, Ashley Coley, and Cliftina Coley; three sisters-in-law, Sheree Casado, Gianna Casado, and Savannah Casado; two brothers-in-law, Rinald Covington and David Casado, Jr.; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends.



To My First Love, My Best friend, My Protector to the End, MY HUSBAND...

It was March of 1992 when we first met on Aspen Place. You were the cutest thing ever, so cute and charming with that beautiful smile and dimples. We were in high school when you captured my heart. Ever since you were special to me and always held a special place in my heart over the years. We initially departed from one another in 1994 when I relocated to NC. Whenever I visited NJ and saw family, I would always ask about you without ever knowing or expecting to run into you again. I spoke with you all the time and even visited with you over the years.

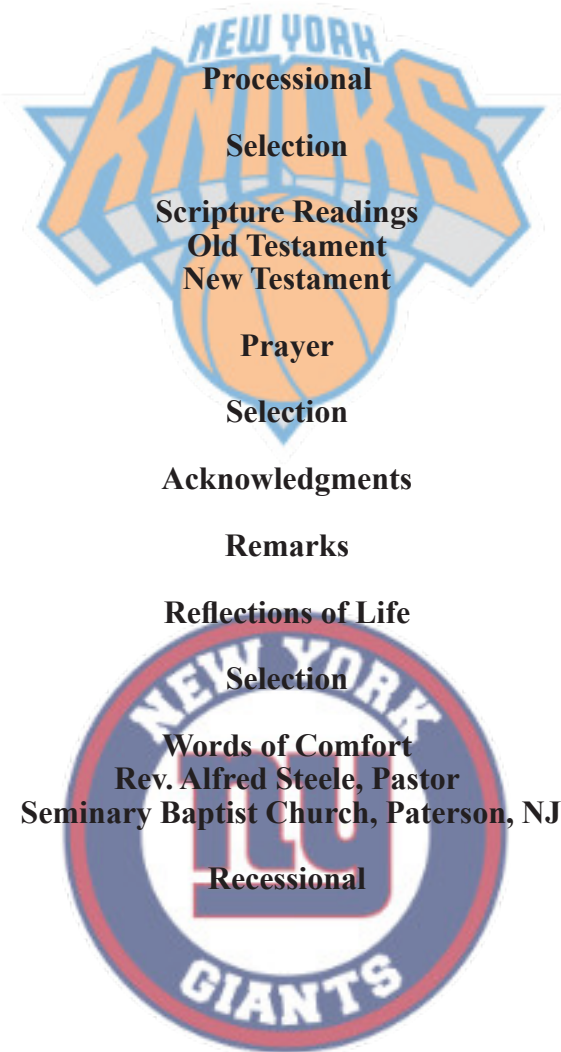
On July 17th, 2014, I remember seeing a social media post welcoming you home and I sent a simple message to Ashley that said, “Can you please tell your brother I said hello?” Real simple...nothing more or less. I then received a response that said, “He wants your number.” I gave you my number and the time I got off work. By the time I stepped into the parking lot to get to my car, my phone was ringing with you on the line. We were both so excited and in disbelief as if it were so hard to believe that moment would ever exist. You told me you kept a picture of us under your bed for the last 10 years praying for God to bring me back into your life. It was that day, we promised one another to never leave each other’s lives again. I remember you telling me, “I am new to this relationship thing. I never had a girlfriend. I never loved a female before. It would take a strong woman to deal with me and I want that woman to be you. I want to be married and I want that with you.” I remember all of that. I remember you saying, “This will not be an easy road with me and I may even make mistakes but promise me, you will never give up on me because one day, I will make it right for us!” I remember that and it was just that ever since. In your words, “It’s me and you against the world!”

Since we reunited, we have had our many ups and downs, good times, bad times, and even greater times. No one could tell this story better than you and I, but one thing for sure and two for certain, it was clear you had a gem on your side through it all. We loved one another unconditionally. We were inseparable. We had a lot of first times together. You were a gift from God for the duration of your time. You did not play about me. You always put me first. You protected me. I loved you for the man you were with hopes each day there would be change. You tried your best in doing so. I believed in you and never gave up on you. I wanted nothing but the best for you.

On the early morning of August 29th, 2021, my life changed instantly. I never thought I would be saying goodbye in this manner. I am traumatized by your loss and it will never be forgotten. The look in your eyes until you laid eyes on me just to be sure I was okay will never be forgotten. You protected me until your last breath. I will always love you and you will never be forgotten. I promise to keep pushing because I know you would not want it any other way. I will continue to live through our memories. I love you Donyell Delacey Coley.

Love Always,
Your #1 Girl, Your Bae, Your Best Friend, YOUR WIFE

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