



COWBOYS

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**RICKY D. MARSHALL**

April 14, 1955 - August 31, 2021

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 - 11:00 A.M.**

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

# OBITUARY



Ricky Dean Marshall was born on April 14, 1955, in Newark, New Jersey, to the late William and Ruth Marshall. He transitioned, at home, with family, on August 31, 2021.

Ricky was a graduate of Weequahic High School, class of 1972. He was the founder of the WYAIN CLUB, a brotherhood promoting unity. He attended the New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark, New Jersey, receiving a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering. As the pages turned in his life's journal, Ricky began his career as an engineer with Bristol Myers. He traveled the world and was blessed to retire at an early age.

Ricky married Linda Witherspoon in the early 1980s. Although the marriage dissolved, they had a special relationship and friendship to the very end.

Ricky was extremely kindhearted and full of laughter and love. Ricky was a dedicated NY Mets and Dallas Cowboys fan. Thanksgiving at the Marshall family home would not be the same if, after dinner, Ricky wasn't on the couch in front of the television watching the Dallas Cowboys game. Towards the end of his journey, Ricky continued to work to keep busy.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories: His ex-wife, Linda Marshall, and his son, Calvin Marshall. Grandchildren, Courtney Harris, Shandrai Hall, Shandtera Hall, Shandtaisa Hall.

Great grand-grandchildren, Montaya Mursier and Amari Hall. Siblings Karol Ismail, Eric Marshall, and Kevin Marshall, a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, family, and cherished friends Gene Epps and Larry Waddell.

# ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional..... Pastor & Family  
Scripture.....Karol Ismail  
Prayer..... Pastor Charles Washington  
Selection.....Camille Shipman-McQueen  
Acknowledgements  
Remarks ( Please limit to 2 minutes).....Family & Friends  
Obituary Reading.....Kevin Marshall  
Eulogy.....Pastor Charles Washington  
Recessional

INTERMENT  
Rosehill Cemetery  
Linden, New Jersey

# I'M FREE

by Shannon Lee Moseley

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.  
I'm following the path God has chosen for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call;  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,  
to laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way;  
I've found now peace at the end of the day.

If my parting has left a void,  
then fill it with remembered joys.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss;  
Oh yes, these things, I too will I miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
look for the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much;  
good friends, good times, a loved ones touch.

Perhaps my time seems all too brief;  
don't lengthen your time with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and peace to thee,  
God wanted me now – He set me free.

## 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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