In Loving Memory of



Michael Saylor

SUNRISE: April 29, 1959 SUNSET: October 1, 2021

Saturday, October 30, 2021 - 2PM

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<u>Obituary</u>

Our Beloved **Michael A. Saylor** left this world to take his seat at the right hand of our Father God, on the morning of Friday, October 1, 2021.

Born on April 29, 1959, Michael was raised and lived his entire life as a Harlem Striver. As a young father, Michael worked as a book keeper within a Harlem pharmacy and was known to be great with numbers. During his early years of growing as a professional, Michael took pride in his work and in his family name, Saylor. This was evident in his clear sense of style as he was always well dressed and coordinated wherever he went. As a life long learner and a commitment to turning his life around, Michael was taken under the wing of the Phase Piggy Back organization in the early 1990s. It was here that he became a true Achiever, graduating from the program and going on to serve the Harlem community as a certified and successful substance abuse counselor, saving the lives of thousands while also attending the City University of New York's John Jay College.

In the summer of 1998, Michael was involved in an accident which left him paralyzed. Despite this significant life changing event, Michael continued to live his life with humble zest and zeal. He always had a smile on his face and an enthusiastic greeting for all those that he encountered. A sports lover, Michael was a staunch New York Knicks fan and would often spend his Sunday afternoons watching the games during basketball season. He continued to love to travel and enjoyed attending community based cultural events and activities. Michael also had a love for music and as a childhood collector of vinyl records he transformed with music innovation to become a collector of CDs and MP3 files of rhythm and blues classics.

Michael's spirit was a gift to all those whom he crossed paths with. He loved his family and spending time with all of his grandchildren. He leaves to carry his torch of light to: his son, Michael Saylor; his grandchildren, Briana, Ariana and Tyler; two great-grandchildren, Nova and Brook'lynn; his beloved sister, Denise; his niece, Nikki; along with family members, Martrisse (Delaware) and Charisse (New Jersey); and a host of friends will also perpetually pay homage to his memory.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Mr. Jacob Saylor and Mrs. Elsie Mae Saylor (Watkins).

His memory will be forever etched in our hearts. We love you Michael and we thank you in advance for watching over us.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Selection "Precious Lord"

Scripture Readings: John 14:1-4 1 Corinthians 15:50-57

> **Prayer** Psalm 23

Selection "It Is Well" (With My Soul)

Acknowledgements Ms. Teronia Campbell-Scott

> **Remarks** Ms. Denise Saylor

**Reflections** Mr. Thomas Lea

**Obituary** Ms. Nikki Saylor

Selection "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

> **Eulogy** Ms. Ebony Grisom

## Committal

Viewing

Recessional

## FINAL DISPOSITION:

Rosehill Crematory Linden, New Jersey

There's A Reason

For every pain that we must bear For every burden, every care There is a reason. For every grief that bows the head For every tear drop that is shed There is a reason. For every hurt, for every plight For every lonely, pain-racked night, There is a reason. But if we trust God, as we should It will all turn out for our good He knows the reason. -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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