

*In Loving Memory of*



*Austin S. Buchanan*

Sunrise  
June 12, 1940

Sunset  
November 8, 2021

Service:  
Sunday, November 21, 2021 - 4:30 pm

**McCALL'S BRONXWOOD FUNERAL HOME**

4035 Bronxwood Avenue • Bronx, New York 10466

Rev. Norman Coleman, Officiating

Min. Kevin Wade, Organist

# *Obituary*

**Austin S. Buchanan** was born on June 12, 1940, in Orange, St. James, Jamaica West Indies to the late Gustavius and Viola Buchanan. He was the first born of his parents. His mother died when he was a toddler, but he later welcomed several brothers and sisters from his father.

After completing his education at Sudbury Primary School he worked as an auto mechanic and there he discovered his passion for diagnostic and inspection of electronics which granted him the opportunity to travel to Cuba and Canada for further advancement. The drive, ambition and tenacity Austin exhibited led to his migration to the United States for further opportunities. Upon arriving in the United States, he started employment in the Garment industry then went on to work as an Elevator Mechanic for thirty years until his retirement in 2001.

Austin was kindhearted and trustworthy his heart was always open to anyone who needed help or an ear to reason with. He knew how to unwind from a busy workday with family at an outing or friends by playing dominos. He enjoyed watching horse racing and extended his love for horses by owning one. He stayed true to his Jamaican culture, Rastafarian beliefs and never lost his accent. He instilled in his children the importance of culture, good work ethics, integrity, resilience, and love for family and respect for others.

Loved ones who will miss Austin until they meet again, his life partner Brenda Williams, loving daughters Lorna, Andrea, Dayna, Tanya and sons Wayne and Steven, eight brothers, seven sisters, thirteen grand children, fourteen great-grandchildren, two great great grand-children and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his daughter Juliet Buchanan, grandson, Damion, granddaughter, Avril and brother, Samuel.

In the words of legendary Bob Marley, “Beginnings are usually scary, and endings are usually sad, but it’s everything in between that makes it all worth living”

Our memories of Austin will always be cherished.

# *Order of Service*

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ORGAN PRELUDE ..... Minister Kevin Wade

PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION ..... “Precious Lord” ..... Minister Kevin Wade

SCRIPTURE READINGS ..... Rev. Norman Coleman

OLD TESTAMENT – Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

NEW TESTAMENT – Thessalonians 4:13-14

PRAYER OF COMFORT ..... Rev. Norman Coleman

SELECTION ..... "Blessed Assurance" .... Minister Kevin Wade

TRIBUTES (PLEASE LIMIT TO TWO MINUTES EACH)

OBITUARY & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

SELECTION .... “Take Me to The King” ... Minister Kevin Wade

EULOGY ..... Rev. Norman Coleman

COMMITTAL & BENEDICTION ..... Rev. Norman Coleman

REMARKS BY THE FUNERAL DIRECTOR

FINAL VIEWING

RECESSIONAL

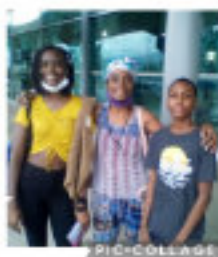
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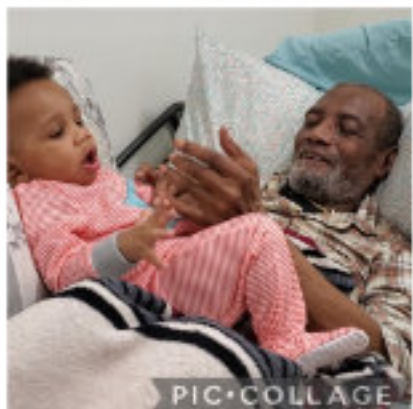
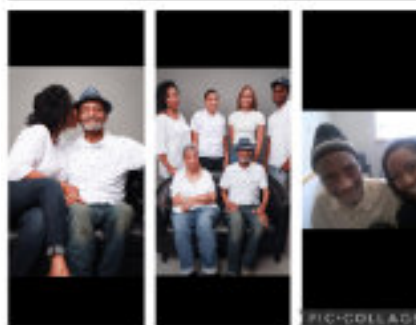
Woodlawn Cemetery  
Bronx, New York



*Precious  
Memories*









# *I'm Free*

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.

## *Acknowledgments*

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

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*Professional Service Entrusted To:*

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
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