

In Loving Memory

Terence Jermaine Johnson

December 6, 1971 - January 7, 2022



MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2022 - 10:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M

Metropolitan Baptist Church

149 Springfield Ave • Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. David Jefferson Sr., Officiating

Obituary

Terence Jermaine Johnson, a life-long barber, entrepreneur and marketing executive unexpectedly departed this life on January 7, 2022 at the age of 50. He resided in Delray Beach, Florida for many years but was raised Newark, New Jersey.

Terence is survived by his mother Sandra Johnson-Spruill, daughter Shani Gaylord-Hunter, sister Tasha Johnson and brother Jamaal Robinson. He is predeceased by his father Lawrence Peace, grandmother Ella Ruth Johnson, aunts Delphine McCombs and Vanessa Lawson.

Terence was born in Paterson, New Jersey on December 6, 1971 to Sandra Johnson and Lawrence Peace. He graduated from West Kinney High School in Newark, NJ and went on to be a very successful barber in New Jersey and marketing executive in Florida. He married his childhood sweetheart Kadija Gaylord but later divorced. In 1990 they welcomed a beautiful daughter Shani Akilah Gaylord who became the most important person in his life.

Terence was a spiritually devoted father, son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin and lifetime friend who loved and appreciated all of God's creations, such as the stars, planets and animals. Shortly after moving to Florida Terence got baptized in the Atlantic Ocean. He enjoyed scuba diving, sailing the Atlantic with his good friend and video-gaming with his brother. Terence was intrigued by astrology, science fiction and wildlife. He was very artistic in his drawings and creations, making extraordinary gifts for his mom. He loved spending time out on the waters of the Atlantic on the boat with his good friend. Just before his journey in life ended, he was able to walk his daughter down the aisle and celebrate his 50th birthday with family and friends rejoicing, praying, laughing and enjoying the moment.

Terence leaves to cherish his memories: mother, Sandra Johnson-Spruill (Gideon), daughter Shani Gaylord-Hunter (Darius), sister Tasha Johnson, brother Jamaal Robinson, only niece Na'Zyia Johnson, ex-wife and forever friend Kadija Gaylord, uncle, Rufus McCombs, great-aunt Anne Marie McClain (James) aunt Alice Windley, cousins Wali McCombs, Assata McCombs, Chris Lawson, Vanetta Lawson, Sakina Gleason, Darrell Gleason, Aquilla Lawson, Donald Lawson Jr, and I'janiyah McCombs along with a host of family and friends. He will be deeply missed by his family, friends and everyone that knew him!

Order of Service

Processional

Hymn..... Soloist

Scripture Reading..... Na'Zyia Johnson

Old Testament Proverbs 10:12

New Testament..... 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Prayer of Consolation Ann Marie McClain

Hymn..... Jehovah Saboth

Acknowledgements

Remarks Tasha Johnson (Sister)

Shani Gaylord-Hunter (Daughter)

Ann Marie McClain (Aunt)

Obituary Jada Smith

Hymn..... Soloist

EulogyRev. Dr. David Jefferson Sr. Esq.

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery
Montclair, New Jersey



If Tears Could Build A Stairway

If tears could build a stairway,
and memories a lane.

I would walk right up to Heaven,
and bring you back again.

No farewell words were spoken,
no time to say "Goodbye."

You were gone before I knew it,
and only God knows why.

My heart still aches with sadness,
and secret tears still flow.

What it meant to love you – no
one can ever know.

But now I know you want me, to
mourn for you no more:

To remember all the happy times,
life still has much in store.

Since you'll never be forgotten, I
pledge to you today –

A hollowed place within my heart
is where you'll always stay.

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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