In Loving Memory

## Sharif Mitchell Sunrise: April 29, 1977 Sunset: January 30, 2022

Friday, February 4, 2022 - 11:00 am

## **Firdous Funeral Home**

579 Grove Street, Irvington, New Jersey Jamal Mustafa, Officiating

## Obituary

**Sharif Al-y-Do Mitchell** was born on April 29, 1977, in Newark, New Jersey to Denise Mitchell and Todd O'Neal, Sharif "Doe" Eley (Stepfather) and Andrew "Wali" Fair (Stepfather). He departed this life on January 30, 2022, at St. Luke's University Hospital in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Sharif received his formal education in the Newark Public School system. Growing up, Sharif was a true "Mama's boy. The bond he shared with his mother as a child, helped him to create his love for family as he matured into a young man. Even as an adult, Sharif was "Reefie" (his childhood nickname) to many of his family members. Family and loyalty were very important to him. Loyalty was royalty in Sharif's life.

As a dad, Sharif's children were his pride and joy. He loved them with his whole heart. He enjoyed spending as much time with them as time would allow. He truly had a heart of gold. As a man, from the inner city of Newark, if he rocked with you...he rocked with you. He was not a phony individual. Sharif loved the life he lived and lived the life he loved.

Sharif also enjoyed spending quality time with his family and friends. He loved fashion, never forgetting his "pinky" ring or shades. He enjoyed spending time on 6th Ave. and 9th St, where many referred to him as "Goldie". Sharif was also the "King of Facebook", whether he called you out or made a joke. He truly enjoyed making people laugh. Sharif was one of the best to ever do it and get away with it; you either liked him or you didn't. He was most definitely one of one.

Sharif was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents Luredean Mitchell and Ned Staten; his father Todd O' Neal; his stepfather Andrew "Wali" Fair; and Uncles Frank Mitchell and Filbert Mitchell.

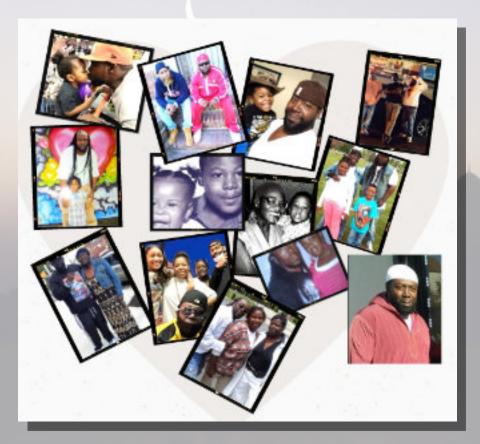
Sharif leaves to cherish his memories: his mother Denise Mitchell-Fair, his stepfather Sharif Eley; his beloved children: DeVante, Sharifah, Sharif Jr., and Sir'e; Life Partner: Tracey Williams; Granddaughter: Stepfani; Paternal Grandmother: Evelyn O'Neal; Siblings: Shafi F., Naimah B., Rashawn M., Taphira B., Crystal C., "Li- Li" C. and Todd C.; Aunts: Pat- Pat Mitchell, Tiffany Arvest, Theresa Mitchell, Brenda Eley, Sheila Eley, and Thomasina "Punchy" McDonald; Uncles: Terry Mitchell and Said O'Neal. Devoted Cousin: Tasha M. He also leaves to mourn his memory: a host of other special aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

Due to human frailty, our hearts are heavy, our eyes are tear stained, and we slump into sorrowful doles. Nevertheless, we recognize the will of Allah, knowing Allah does all things well. We also realize that death is the only channel we must go through to receive the eternal blessing that Allah has in store for all of us. So, in the loss of our loved one, we bow in humble submission to the will of Allah, the Giver of every gift, the Creator of all things and the Ruler of life and death. "Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un – Verily eerily we belong to God and verily to him do we return."

Sharif is gone from our earthly sight, but never from our hearts.

Respectfully Submitted, The Family





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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