## Celebrating the Life of



# Calvin Burnett

Sunrise: August 23, 1954 - Sunset: January 26, 2022

Tuesday, February 8, 2022 - 6 PM

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## <u>Obituary</u>

On January 26, 2022, God's angel received his crown in glory. He was called home to heaven at the tender age of 67.

Calvin was born to the late Ola Mae Burnett and Jack Daniels Burnett in Brooklyn, New York. Calvin was one of eight children, Valerie, Watson, Donald, Viola, Shirley, Tyrone and Darlene. Calvin was educated in the Kings County, Brooklyn school district and attended Tilden High School.

During his teen years, Calvin was a member of the E.N.Y Youth Center in his neighborhood. He enjoyed playing pool, roller skating, and ice skating as well as swimming. Calvin was a strong swimmer. The youth center was where Calvin met the love of his life, his wife, Dorothy Ann Burnett. Together they would welcome three children, Calvin, Cherese and Chaquana.

As a young adult, he faced some challenges. Calvin lost his heart and his way after Dorothy was called home. While addiction presented itself as an obstacle, Calvin overcame his addiction by faithfully attending N.A. groups. He proudly achieved over 25 years of sobriety.

Along with their children and his sobriety, Calvin's proudest achievements included being the original owner of Supreme Steamers. Becoming the owner of the beautiful estate he dedicated to his mother, The Ola Mae Burnett Estate, brought him a great sense of pride.

Calvin will always be remembered for his big smile and even bigger heart. He was very loyal and loved his family and friends. You could always count on him for support when it was needed. Friends will remember Calvin as energetic, loud, funny, the life of the party and of course, one sharp dressed man.

To his children, he will be remembered as a protector, provider and best friend. He was what is meant by "his brother's keeper". His son Calvin and grandson Caseim will always have the memory of him teaching them how to jet ski. His daughter Cherese will remember that he was the one who taught her how to swim. His daughter Chaquana will always hold on to the memories of how he taught her to roller skate.

Calvin had several surprising skills. He made the best seafood rice. Cherese and Chaquana can attest to his skills as a hairstylist. He gave them perms and finger waves as they were growing up.

Calvin will be remembered for his determination, being a warrior and man of faith. Calvin accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and had unwavering faith no matter what life challenge or circumstance he faced.

Calvin was preceded in death by: his father, Jack Daniel Burnett; his mother, Ola Mae Burnett, his wife, Dorothy Ann Burnett; great grandson, Kristian Carr; his siblings, Watson Burnett, Donald Burnett, Shirley Nadirah Burnett; and his two favorite aunts, Maezola "Aunt May" Miles Boyd and Ernestine "Aunt Tina" Williams.

Calvin leaves a legacy of love to be cherished by his children, Calvin Williams, Cherese Kennedy, Chaquana Burnett, Shannon Mitchell, Deon Mitchell, Taniyah Brown and Victoria Middleton.

His siblings, Valerie Burnett, Tyrone Burnett and Darlene Windsor; his grandchildren, Chaquia Gilmore Carr, Caseim Wilson, Cheraye Browne, Cahlil Browne, Cyann Wilson, Chalay Green, Sean Mitchell, Cayden Noah Harris-Burnett and Caylynn Ann Parks; great grandchildren, Cameron Browne, Kai Carr and Camai Marie Wilson.

Also those left to cherish his memories are special loved ones, Carmen Mangual and Charisse Cobbs; and a host of family and friends.

## Order of Service

**Processional** 

Selection

**Scripture Readings** 

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

**Obituary** 

Selection

**Eulogy** 

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

#### **Interment:**

Forest Green Park Cemetery Morganville, New Jersey "We thought of you today, but that's nothing new
We thought of you yesterday, and will tomorrow too
We think of you in silence and make no outward show
For what it meant to lose you; only those who loved you will know
Remembering you is easy. We do it every day.

It's the heartache of losing you that will never go away!"



#### Acknowledgement

We thank you for your exceptional support during losing our loved one. We are sincerely thankful for your prayers, calls, wishes of condolences and all acts of kindness rendered throughout our bereavement. We are sincerely thankful for our father's close friends, Pastor Jack and Muta, and his lifelong friend and confidant, Carmen Mangual for your support during this difficult time.

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