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Rev. Daniel Blackburn, Officiating

Rev. Charlotte Holley, Organist

Order of Sorvice

Processional

Hymn of Consolation Reverend Charlotte Holley

Scripture Reading
Reverend Daniel Blackburn

Musical Selection
Reverend Charlotte Holley

Reading of the Obituary

Reflections

Family and Friends

Solo Reverend Charlotte Holley

Eulogy Reverend Daniel Blackburn

Final Viewing

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Cremation

Rosehill Crematory, Linden, NJ

Obituary

William Rodney Drayton was born on February 24th, 1964, to Marva and the late William Drayton. William was the eldest of two sons, big brother to Keith. William grew up in the Lincoln Projects. After attending Graphic Arts high school, William attended SUNY college at New Paltz. William was a member of the Original Harlem Gauchos Basketball team. Later, he became one of the coaches of this great team. In 1992 William secured a job with The New York City Board of Education as a Paraprofessional. He worked there for 30 years.

William was an avid book reader of -many categories. William also enjoyed almost anything sports. Wrestling, Football and of course Basketball. William was adiehard New York Knicks fan and was never seen without his Knicks fitted on. Some of this was watched with his Glackens Family. William was known to enjoy a good cocktail from time to time. His favorite libation was rum and coke. William was known as muscles, Bill, Sleepy and affectionately known as "Pookums" by his mother.

William could be found at various cookouts and fish fry's. He even tried his hand at zip-lining. William loved a good game of dominoes, debating and a good party. He was just an all-around good person. He was as witty as he was humble. The world needs more of that.

On January 30th, 2022, William passed away. He leaves to mourn, his Mother Marva, His brother Keith (Lynette) His sister April and his niece Karlyn. Aunts, Evelyn and Dolly, Uncle John and a host of cousins, his Glackens family, Tommy Sr., Tommy Jr, Mike, Patrick, LaShawn and Mike Dash. His Drayton family, his Battle Family, his Lincoln family (The Throat Cutters), His Drew Hamilton family and a host of many friends and colleagues.

The God's Garden

God looked around his garden And found an empty place, He then looked down upon the earth And saw your tired face. He put his arms around you And lifted you to rest. God's garden must be beautiful He always takes the best. He knew that you were suffering He knew you were in pain. He knew that you would never Get well on earth again. He saw the road was getting rough And the hills were hard to climb. So he closed your weary eyelids And whispered, 'Peace be thine'. It broke our hearts to lose you But you didn't go alone, For part of us went with you The day God called you home.



Acknowledgement

The family of **William Drayton** will remember and cherish your many expressions of love, sympathy and prayers so graciously extended. Thank you and may God Bless you.

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