



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MELVIN JONES

SUNRISE: APRIL 27, 1955

SUNSET: JUNE 9, 2022

SATURDAY, JULY 2, 2022 - 2:00 PM

Cotton Funeral Service

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

OBITUARY

Melvin Jones son of the late Robert Jones and Katheryn King Jones Brantley was born April 27th, 1955 in Pittsview, Alabama. At an early age Melvin relocated to Newark, New Jersey. Melvin was the third of six children. Melvin was a very unique and intelligent individual.

At a very early age, Melvin's academic ability was noted. Having been "skipped" from the First Grade to the Third Grade, Melvin academic achievements began to soar. However, he soon became bored with ordinary curriculum and began exploring other more challenging studies. Melvin's exploration develop skills that would later provide him the ability to meet, interact and work with persons of various social levels. Melvin is a graduate of Chancellor Avenue Grammar School and completed the 12th grade at Weequahic High School before pursuing a career as a relocation specialist.

At an early age Melvin showed great talent in arts and in music. He became a gifted base guitar player and skilled piano player. He also designed the image of the kangaroo used for Brantley Bros. Moving & Storage Co., Inc. Melvin was the lead guitarist for the singing group The Sons of Glory!!! As a relocation specialist, he also was an expert: packer, mover and CDL driver. He loved being in charged and teaching others the skill of successful relocation. He has moved clients for both Brantley Bros. Moving & Storage Co., Inc. as well as Explorer Relocation Services. Melvin drove tractor trailer cross country for both companies. Melvin acquired his skills for relocation from his mother's late husband Malachia Brantley.

Melvin met and married the former Verdell White of Moultrie, G.A. This union was blessed with 4 beautiful children: Willie "Fred", Tara, Jamal and Niagra. 16 grandchildren, 32 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild. Everyone loved and adored him he was the life of they party ol'e Melle Mel. Melvin was known for sharing pictures of his family, especially his grandchildren. Melvin was an active member of the Youth Department of Zion Holy Church where was the guitarist for the Young Adult Choir. Later, he joined the Shiloh Baptist Church Newark, NJ under Restoration and was baptized, Melvin leaves to mourn his loss: his wife Verdell White, Sons Willie "Fred" & Donna Dixon, Jamal & Eva Dixon and Niagra Jones. In addition, he leaves to mourn his passing his mother Katheryn King Jones Brantley, Brother: Isaac & Juanetta King, Sister Thelma Ann Brantley-Howell, brothers: Malachia Brantley, Jr., Timothy & Robyn Brantley. one uncle, a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his loving grandmother Rilla Rose King, his daughter Tara Best, grandsons Norris Colson and Yacir Best, Sister Betty Louise Jones Step-father Malachia Brantley Sr., Mother-in-law Ollie Jean Thomas.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Interlude

Music Selection

Really Gone Miss You - Smokey Roberson

Scriptures; Psalms 23

Gospel Of John 14:1-7

Prayer Of Comfort: Bishop Malachi Brantley, Jr.

Music Selection- Marron Pickett

Poem-Kimora Dixon

Poem - Jai'ana & Kyla Dixon-Hunter

Obituary- Jamal Dixon

Musical Selection: Dance With My Father - Luther Vandross

Eulogy - Elder Willie Fred Dixon

Final Viewing - "I'll Take You There" The Staples

CREMATION

Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey

DON'T

*Don't spend too much time in mourning,
Tears are for the sad; I left to be with Jesus
And this should make you glad.*

*no need to feel distress; I'm tired of life's
frustrations And had to get some rest. Don't puzzle
yourself with questions or try to reason why life
here for me was ended, It came my time to die.
Don't lose the love I gave you Feed it with your
care; Grow it with devotion and spread it
everywhere. Don't fret because my leaving came in
such a way; We'll have another meeting
In God's eternal day.*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

*The family of the Late Melvin Jones extends sincere
thanks for your prayers, words of comfort, acts of
love and all kindness shown during convalescence
and our bereavement. - The Family*

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