



Celebrating the Life of
Myles Holmes
"Mr. Magic"

Sunrise
October 5, 1960

Sunset
March 22, 2024



Obituary

Myles Holmes was born on October 5th, 1960 in Passaic, New Jersey. He was born to the union of David Holmes Sr. and Ora Mae Williams.

Myles was a lifelong resident of Passaic, New Jersey. He attended the Passaic Public School system graduating from Passaic High School. After graduation he proudly registered with the United States Air Force and served in numerous state-side posts. After being honorably discharged, Myles was employed with the Passaic Board of Education as a custodian for many years.

In 1983 Myles married his high school sweetheart Verlesia Dominick. They welcomed a son Brendon Henri Holmes in 1985 and daughter Lamaya Janine Holmes in 1989. Myles was also the doting grandfather to his one grandson, Messiah Julian Johnson. He was known to all as an extremely humorous man, who on any given day could be heard saying; "Hey, I got a good one for you," before firing off a joke. Myles had a huge heart for family, friends, and God.

In addition to other interests, Myles was a huge fan of the New York Giants football team. On days they won he could be heard celebrating loudly. On days they lost, not nearly so much. Unbeknownst to many, Myles was a poet and penned many thought-provoking poems. (Evidence of which can be found on the back of this program).

Myles departed this life on Friday, March 22, 2024, in the comfort of his own home.

Myles was preceded in death by his loving parents, David Holmes, Sr. and Ora Mae Williams, sisters, Annie Ruth Gaines, and Betty Jean Davis, brothers, Curtis Lee Gaines, Arthur Lawrence Gaines, and David Holmes, Jr.

He leaves to cherish wonderful memories one son, Brendon Henri Holmes; one daughter, Lamaya Janine Holmes; his beloved grandson, Messiah Julian Johnson affectionately known as "Duke Duke"; brother, Larry Louis Gaines; sisters, Vanessa Holmes Gordon, Daphne Holmes, and Edythe Walker; nephews, Curtis Gaines, Jr., Gerald Gaines, Ellis Davis, and Brent Gordon; nieces, Cynthia Edwards, Ellise LaMotte, Larrverene Gaines. Dana Gaines, Danielle Gaines, and Courtney Gordon; great nephews, Casseen Gaines, Jordan Edwards, Curtis Gaines III, Xzavier Gordon, and Alexander Davis; great nieces, Chelsea Davis, Jasmine LaMotte, and beloved cousins, cherished sisters and brothers-in-law; a bonus son, Julian Johnson. He is also survived by his best friends, Melvin Milligan and William DeBose; heart-felt friend, Joan Freeman, and many other close friends and loved ones.

Saturday, March 30, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.

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143 Myrtle Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey

Rev. William Davidson, Officiating

Rex Hill, Organist

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

Acknowledgements & Obituary

Selection

Words of Comfort

Rev. William Davidson

Roger Williams Baptist Church, Passaic, NJ

Recessional

Final Disposition

Monday, April 1, 2024 - 10:00AM

Cedar Lawn Crematory

200 McLean Blvd

Paterson, NJ 07504

Someone Is Always Out There

Sometimes we think you're all alone, no one to feel your passion, your pain, no one to call upon, the trials you struggle through and the thoughts of despair, always remember someone is always out there. When you fall on your knees because you can't hardly stand, always remember someone is always out there. You might not know them by name or not know them by face, but God put them there with his love and his grace, just stay strong and don't be scared and remember someone is always out there.

Myles Holmes
5/15/11

Acknowledgment

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.

May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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