

Celebrating the Life of

VERNELL LAMONTE TAYLOR



October 7, 1970 - October 5, 2023

Obituary

VERNELL LAMONTE TAYLOR

SON – BROTHER – FATHER – GRANDFATHER – UNCLE – NEPHEW – COUSIN – FRIEND

“May God who gives patience, steadiness, and encouragement help you live in complete harmony.” - Romans 15:5 (TLB)

Vernell Lamonte Taylor was born to Alfred Lee Allen and Shirley Ann Cooper on October 7, 1970, in Chicago, Illinois. Vernell received his primary education from Chicago Public Schools. In April of 2015, he received his Associate of Applied Science Degree in Automotive Technology from Olive Harvey College in Chicago, Illinois. He loved to work on cars and could fix almost any appliance, even the ones he would rig, such as his cars, so you wouldn't ask to drive or borrow any of his cars.

At an early age, Vernell professed faith in Christ at Blooming Rose Deliverance Church in Chicago, Illinois, where the late Reverend Solomon Sams, Sr was the Pastor. Vernell was a member of the choir, and the first song that he led was “God is not dead, he's yet alive.” In February of 1980, the family moved to Decatur, Illinois. The family then joined Community Temple, Church of God in Christ (COGIC), where the late Bishop Willie F. Newbon was the Pastor. Vernell was a choir member and active in the Youth Department.

Vernell loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them. He enjoyed grilling and would look over your shoulders to see what you were cooking and add spices to your food. He loved baking Butter Cookies, and he left his secret recipe to his **Daughter** (Amia) and **Aunt** (Michelle).

Vernell could light up any room, as his smile and laughter were infectious and will forever be a huge memory in the hearts of everyone who knew and loved him.

Vernell was also known as “Teddy” to his friends. He loved to have a good time, as he was always late and the center of the party. The party didn't start until he showed up to sing, dance, play music, and play games, which no one wanted to play with him because he would always win without cheating. He always kept a smile on his face.

Vernell had a passion for helping people, whether it was food, a place to lie down, a ride to your destination, or whatever you needed. If he had it, it was yours. That's just how big his heart was. He also had nicknames for his **Grandson** (Flintstone Feet), **Nephews** (Igloo) and (Einstein), and **Great Nephew** (Professor Gigabyte), aka (DC Baby).

If you knew Vernell, then you know the jokester that he was. He would make you cry and laugh at the same time, all because he had something to say about you and everybody in the room.

Proceeded him in death: **Brother** Thomas Allen, **Paternal Grandparent:** Lazola Dawkins Allen. **Maternal Grandparents:** William Henry (Ossie) Taylor Sr. and Rosie Lee Murphy Grammie). **Stepfather:** Bishop Thomas L. Cooper.

Vernell leaves to cherish his memory to his **Parents:** Alfred Allen and Shirley Cooper, and **Grandmother:** Lucille Jones.

Children: Brittany (Timothy) Lynch, Amia Taylor. **Special Son:** Hakeem Jones. **Grandson:** Amir Taylor, and **Special Grandchildren:** Azalea Jones, Kahlani Jones, Jemerion Jones, Hakeem Jones Jr., Kobe Jones, and Alex Jones.

Sisters: Renee' (Michael) Rawls, Wanda Allen, and Toyota (Bernard) Igiri. **Brothers:** Tremmel Broadwater (Tre') and Jermaine Allen. **Aunts:** Ora Lee Smith, Diane (John) Lockhart, Judy Jones, Michelle Miller, Debbie Allen, Sharon (Rodman) Deleveaux, Beverly (Robbie) Austin and Lenora Jones. **Uncles:** Steve Jones, Jeffery (Crystal) Jones, Marvin Jones, and Joseph Jones. **Godfathers:** James Cliff and Apostle Mark Henton, Pastor of Monument of Faith Evangelistic Church, Chicago, IL. **Special Godmother:** Eddie Allen. **Special Friend:** Darla Houston. **Childhood Friend:** Shawn William Sr. and **Family Friend:** Thearthiss Gibson. Host of nieces, nephews, great-nephews, and an abundance of cousins and friends whom he loved dearly.

FOR VERNELL, IT WAS ALWAYS FAMILY OVER EVERYTHING, HE LOVED HIS FAMILY!!!

Order of Celebration

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2023

Viewing: 10:00 AM | Service: 11:00 AM

SOLID ROCK FULL GOSPEL BAPTIST CHURCH MINISTRIES, INTERNATIONAL INC.
7711 Walker Mill Drive | Capitol Heights, MD 20743
Bishop-Elect Gregory I. Rhinehart | Host Pastor
Apostle Jeffery A. Jones | Uncle | Eulogist | Emerging Spirit Ministries, Chicago, IL

THE CALL TO ORDER | OFFICIANT

Pastor Andre Williams | The Master's Child Church | Capitol Heights, MD

THE OPENING SELECTION

The Master's Child Church Music Ministry

THE PRAYER OF COMFORT

Elder Reginald Brockett

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Old Testament: Psalm 90:1-10

Apostle Dr. Contress Braxton | God's Divine Ministries International House of Refuge | Clinton, MD

New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Pastor Samuel McClearn Sr. | The Master's Child Church | Indian Head, MD

The Gospel: St. John 14:1-6

Evangelist Shirley Sams | Blooming Rose Deliverance Church | Chicago, IL

TRIBUTE TO UNCLE

EmJay and Mynaia (MieMie) Rawls

THE HEARTFELT EXPRESSIONS – Vernell as a:

Church Member: Pastor Rose Bond

Neighbor: Larry Rawlings

Friend: Darla Houston

Relative: Aunt Ore Lee (Margaret) Smith and Uncle Joseph (Joe) Jones

Father: Brittany Lynch, Amia (Mia) Taylor and Hakeem Jones

Brother: Renee' Rawls and Toyata (Toi) Igeri

Son: Parents

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Michelle Miller (Aunt)

THE LIFE OF VERNELL

Silent Reading of the Obituary | Soft Music

THE SONG OF PREPARATION

The Master's Child Church Music Ministry

THE MESSAGE OF HOPE | EULOGY

Apostle Jeffery A. Jones | Emerging Spirit Ministries | Chicago, IL

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP | BENEDICTION | RECESSIONAL

Messages to Vernell Lamonte Taylor

MISS ME BUT LET ME GO!

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rights in a gloomy-filled room. Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little, but not too long and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me – now let me go. For this journey that we all must take, and each must go all alone. Just know it's all part of the Master's plan. When you are lonely and your eyes are filled with tears, remember my smile, laughter, and cheers. Now go to friends, you know and bury your sorrows and always do good deeds, for tomorrow is not promised. Continue to laugh at all the things we use to say and do, but don't forget to say I love you, then miss me, but let me go.

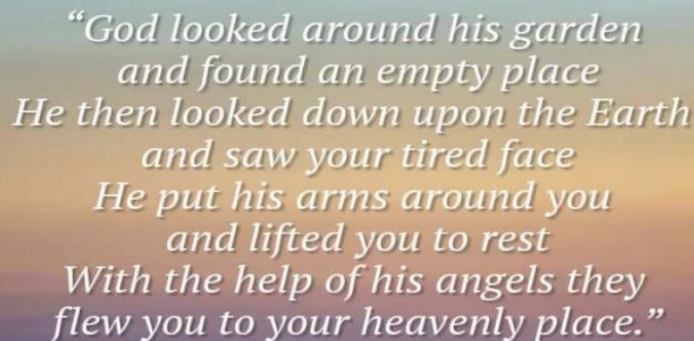
Take your rest little brother – Big Sis Renee' Rawls

DADDY'S GIRL

Being a Daddy's Girl is like having a permanent armor for the rest of your life.

Forever your Stick-a-bug.

Amia Taylor (Daughter)



*“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
With the help of his angels they
flew you to your heavenly place.”*

Wanda Allen (Sister)

"NOTHING IN OUR HANDS, WE BRING, SIMPLY TO THE CROSS, WE CLING"

We, the Chicago Family of Vernell Lamonte Taylor, hearts are deeply saddened by the sudden loss of our love one.

God has not promised, Sunshine without Rain, Joy without Sorrow, or Life without Pain.

But he promised strength from above, un-failing sympathy and un-dying love.

May we all find comfort in the Lord's Word. "Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for we know his labor has not been in vain..."

God alone, knew Vernell, would never get Well on this Earth again. He saw the road was getting rough, and the hills were hard to climb, so he closed his weary eyelids and whispered; "Peace be Thine" ...

So, take comfort in knowing, He will always be missed, his voice, his smile, his laughter will live on in our lives. Death is only the Dawn of the morning of God's Perfect Day.

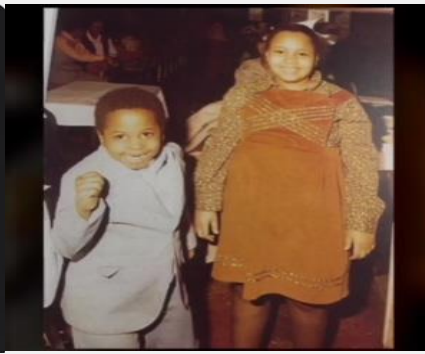
Sorrow, Looks Back

Worry, Looks Around

But Faith, Looks Up

Our Loss, but Heaven's Gain

Ore Lee (Margaret) Smith (Aunt)









SON

On Father's Day,
it's natural to think about
all the days

you've made more
wonderful by being
the kind of man you are...

Your Loving

Mom

PALLBEARERS

Hakeem Jones
Timothy (Tim) Lynch
Michael (Mike) Rawls
Bernard Igiri
Barry Igiri
Ricardo (Rico) Jeffreys

FLOWER BEARERS

Nieces, Nephews, and Family

FINAL RESTING PLACE

Maryland National Memorial Park
13300 Baltimore Ave
Laurel, MD 20707

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Vernell Lamonte Taylor would like to thank everyone for their outpouring of love, kind expressions and support. Your phone calls, text, social media responses/posts, visits, cards, flowers, thoughts, and prayers have all helped greatly, during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you, is our prayer.

SPECIAL THANKS

Bro. Gary C. Hicks, Sr, and Overseer Larry Williams, Bishop Melvin Robinson, Jr., Senior Pastor, and First Lady Cheryl Robinson, Executive Pastor, and the entire Master's Child Church (MCC) Family.

REPAST

Comfort Inn Hotel College Park North | 4050 Powder Mill Rd. | Beltsville, MD 20705
**The family will receive guests during that time.*

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Be still and know that my love for you is complete.

THE MASTER'S CHILD CHURCH

ONE CHURCH | THREE LOCATIONS

7:30 AM – MCC CAPITOL HEIGHTS

7711 Walker Mill Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743
Andre Williams, Location Pastor

8:00 AM – MCC BOWIE

3209 Stonybrook Drive
Bowie, MD 20715
Joseph Haden, Jr. Location Pastor

11:00 AM – MCC INDIAN HEAD

6485 Indian Head Highway
Indian Head, MD 20640
Samuel McClearn, Sr., Location Pastor