

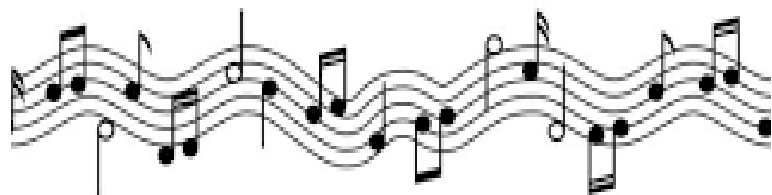
## Service

11:00 A.M.  
Saturday, May 1, 2026

ROBINSON FUNERAL HOME

534 Hampton Street  
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Officiating ~ Pastor Maurice Revell



## "ALL THE WAY HOME"

By: Darryl Nelson

*"I go to church, I worship God, In my car, two jobs, and I still ain't large.  
I do what I do to earn my keep, to make ends meet and to take care of my peeps.*

*My wife, my sons, my daughters, Pooh, Zay, Joi and Bobbie-Marie,  
my mom, my pops, they didn't raise me weak.*

*I'm out here full grown, and I'm not alone the word of God, is my chaperone.*

*Jesus carried me all the way home every step that I didn't own,  
They belong to the Lord's sitting on the throne.*

*Jesus carried me all the way, and he promised, never to leave me alone.*

*Every step that I faced thought, I did alone.*

*They belonged to the Lord sitting on the throne.*

*For thou art with me every step. I fear no evil in the valley of death.*

*Goodness and mercy follow me right and left.*

*I shall dwell in the house of the Lord to be blessed.*

*I was glad when they said to me, come and go to the house of the Lord,  
where it's free. because there will be no crying there, no lying, no stealing, no killing there,  
there'll be mad healing. Yokes destroyed and murder disappeared.*

*When you forget this world's, the platinum and gold and submit to God mind, body and soul. JE-  
SUS, promised never to leave me alone.*

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

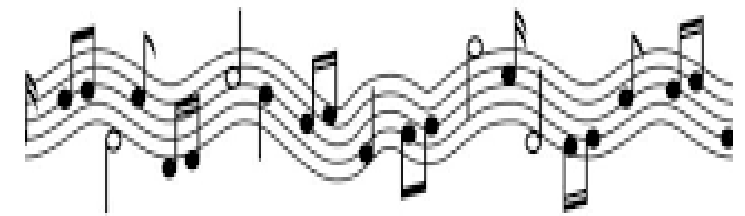
The family would like to express their sincere appreciation and gratitude  
for the outpouring of love and support that they have received during this most difficult time.  
May God richly bless each of you.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:



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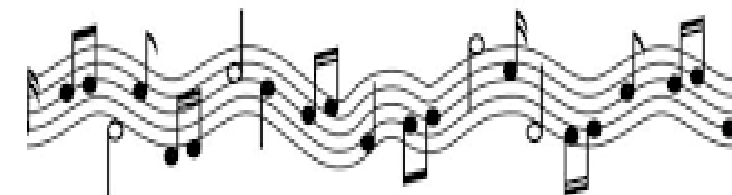


# CELEBRATION OF LIFE

# IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Darryl Nelson

# "Darryl D"



# Order of Service

## His Story

October 21, 1962 ~ April 22, 2026

## Words about Darryl

*“My dad wasn't an ordinary man. He was bold, authentic, artistic, and unapologetically himself. He wasn't perfect, but he loved deeply. He lived his life fully and was proud of who he was and the family and bonds he created. He was the kind of man who could make a whole room laugh, who would feed a village, and who never met a stranger.”*

*“I’LL ALWAYS salute you for inspiring me to do my thing Big Cuz, May The Almighty Bless Your Soul”*

*“Our Pops was not only a father to my siblings and I, but he also a father to all of my friends. My Dad always showed up for us, even when we messed up. We are blessed to have had a close relationship with our father from beginning to end. Its bittersweet. I will miss him, but I know he prepared me to be a man and push on in his absence with every life lesson. Thank you for all of the love, kind words and memories that you have shared. Artist, Storyteller, and an all around fly guy!  
Fly High!”*

*“Mr. Nelson was one of a kind. Anytime I was over there he'd treat me like one of his own. An amazing father and human being”*

*“His shining light touched all of our lives. Those memories will forever be cherished”*

*“There are a few things that no matter how you say it sounds perfect together as if it was made that way like ketchup and mustard or mustard and ketchup, Robyn and Darryl or Darryl and Robyn either way you say it it's perfect together forever.”*

Darryl Nelson of Fort Mill, South Carolina, passed away on April 22, 2026, leaving behind a legacy of love, strength, and quiet generosity. He will be remembered as a devoted husband, loving father, grandfather, loyal friend, and steady presence in the lives of all who knew him.

Darryl Nelson was born on October 21, 1962, in Brooklyn, New York, to the late Fred Lee Nelson Sr. and Mary Beulah Hill-Nelson. He was the second oldest of six siblings. In February 1977, the Nelson family moved to Queens Village, New York, where Darryl later met the love of his life, Robyn Delores McKnight. After four years of dating, the couple married on October 11, 1986, beginning a nearly 40-year journey of marriage grounded in love, faith, and an unwavering commitment to family.

Together, Darryl and Robyn built a beautiful life and were blessed with four children: Darryl Jr. (“Pooh”), Brooke, Isaiah, and Joiada. In 2022, their family joyfully expanded with the birth of their first granddaughter, Isla Brielle, who affectionately called him “Pop Pop” and “PaPa.” In 2001, the family relocated from New York to South Carolina, and in 2005, they built their beloved home in Fort Mill, where they remained ever since.

Darryl graduated from Benjamin N. Cardozo High School in Queens, New York. Throughout his professional life, he worked in legal and medical records, supporting patient care across many of the nation’s leading hospital systems. He also spent several years on Long Island, New York, working at one of the largest residential care facilities serving children and youth with developmental disabilities. There, Darryl formed lasting bonds with both staff and residents and was known for preparing large meals that brought people together. His compassion and connection with young people extended beyond the workplace, as he naturally became a mentor and trusted presence to many neighborhood youth.

A strong man of faith, Darryl expressed his spirituality through creativity, including gospel rap music under the developing label UpGram. He was a passionate music enthusiast with an extensive collection of vinyl records, 8-tracks, cassette tapes, and CDs. He was also an avid movie lover and a gifted artist who created an animated character named King Kool. Darryl had a distinctive sense of style and was known for putting together an unforgettable outfit with ease and confidence.

Darryl was also a premier chef whose home was always open to family and friends, especially during his cherished Juneteenth and Thanksgiving celebrations. He found great joy in feeding others and creating spaces where people felt welcomed, loved, and at home.

Darryl was known for his warmth, consistency, and unwavering kindness. Whether through his words, his actions, or simply his presence, he had a rare gift for making others feel seen, valued, and cared for. He valued family above all else and found deep joy in the relationships he nurtured throughout his life.

He also treasured his lifelong connection with his NYC Jam Peak Crew, a brotherhood of close friends who remained dear to him over many years. To those who knew him, Darryl was a source of strength, humor, wisdom, and steady encouragement through every season of life.

Darryl will be remembered for his resilience, generous spirit, and the sincerity with which he lived his life. His passing leaves a profound void in the hearts of those who loved him, but his memory will live on through the many lives he touched.

Darryl will be deeply missed and forever remembered with love.

He is survived by his beloved wife, children, granddaughter, siblings, extended family, cherished friends, and loved ones who will continue to honor his memory and carry forward the values he lived each day.

Processional.....led by Pastor Revell

Invocation.....Pastor Revell

Selection.....Asiah Revell

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament .....Jamie Dash

New Testament.....Jamie Dash

Prayer of Comfort ..... Pastor Curtis Nelson

Reading of Obituary ..... Spencer Waye

Reflections (2 minutes) .....Jacqueline McKnight  
Others

Selection.....Jamass Britton

Eulogy .....Pastor Revell

Acknowledgements/Final Viewing.....  
Robinson Funeral Home

Committal/Benediction ..... By Pastors

Recessional.....led by Pastor Revell