

PALLBEARERS

BRANDON, LEE, DARRYL, IKEEM, JERMAINE, TERRANCE

I'M FREE

DON'T GRIEVE FOR ME, FOR NOW I'M FREE,
I'M FOLLOWING PATHS GOD MADE FOR ME
I TOOK HIS HAND I HEARD HIM CALL
THEN TURNED, AND BID FAREWELL TO ALL
I COULD NOT STAY ANOTHER DAY
TO LAUGH, TO LOVE, TO SING, TO PLAY
TASKS LEFT UNDONE MUST STAY THAT WAY
I FOUND MY PEACE... AT CLOSE OF PLAY
AND IF MY PARTING LEFT A VOID
THEN FILL IT WITH REMEMBERED JOY
A FRIENDSHIP SHARED, A LAUGH, A KISS
AH YES, THESE THINGS I TOO WILL MISS.
BE NOT BURDENED... DEEP WITH SORROW
I WISH YOU SUNSHINE OF TOMORROW
MY LIFE'S BEEN FULL I'VE SAVORED MUCH
GOOD FRIENDS, GOOD TIMES
A LOVED ONE'S TOUCH
PERHAPS MY TIME SEEMED ALL TOO BRIEF
DON'T LENGTHEN IT NOW WITH GRIEF
LIFT UP YOUR HEARTS AND SHARE WITH ME,
GOD WANTS ME NOW... HE SET ME FREE.

REPAST:

SYRIA TEMPLE, 89 NORFOLK STREET, DORCHESTER, MA 02124

A NOTE OF THANKS

THE FAMILY OF THE LATE RICHARD J. ODOM WISHES TO THANK
EVERYONE FOR THEIR KIND EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY, WORDS,
THOUGHTS AND ACTS OF LOVE DURING THIS DIFFICULT PERIOD. WE
ARE COMFORTED BY KNOWING THAT YOU CARED.

THE FAMILY

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO:

DAVIS FUNERAL HOME
89 WALNUT AVENUE
ROXBURY, MA 02119



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF RICHARD J. ODOM

SUNRISE DECEMBER 9, 1956 - SUNSET DECEMBER 30, 2024

JANUARY 14, 2025

VIEWING: 10:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

GOING HOME SERVICE: 11:00 A.M. - NOON

MORNING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

1257 BLUE HILL AVENUE

MATTAPAN, MA 02126

BISHOP JOHN M. BORDERS III, SENIOR PASTOR

OBITUARY

ORDER OF SERVICE

EVERY LIFE IS NOTED AND IS CHERISHED, AND NOTHING LOVED IS EVER LOST OR PERISHED

RICHARD (JUG HEAD) J. ODOM, THE SON OF THE LATE WILLIAM L. ODOM AND THE LATE GLORIA I. ODOM, WAS BORN ON DECEMBER 9, 1956 IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. RICHARD RECEIVED HIS WINGS TO THE GATES OF HEAVEN ON DECEMBER 30, 2024.

RICK GREW UP IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS AND GRADUATED FROM JAMAICA PLAIN HIGH SCHOOL. RICK WORKED IN THE BIOTECH INDUSTRY FOR OVER 30 YEARS AT GENZYME, SERONO, AND WYETH/PIIZER UNTIL HE RETIRED IN 2021. RICK ENJOYED GOING OUT TO EAT AND PLAYING HIS VIDEO GAMES. IN HIS YOUNGER YEARS HE ENJOYED PLAYING BASKETBALL AND PLAYED IN MANY BASKETBALL LEAGUES AROUND THE BOSTON AREA. RICK LOVED HIS BOSTON SPORTS TEAMS ESPECIALLY THE PATRIOTS AND CELTICS AND A GREAT YOUTUBE VIDEO WAS NOT FAR BEHIND.

RICK WAS A SIMPLE MAN WITH A HEART OF GOLD. HE WAS KIND, NON-JUDGMENTAL AND ONE OF THE STRONGEST, KINDEST MAN TO EVER WALK THIS EARTH AND OUR FAMILY HAS BEEN BLESSED TO CALL HIM OURS. HE WAS A BEAUTIFUL SOUL WHO EMBRACED EVERYONE WITH HIS LOVE. RICK LOVED HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND WAS ALWAYS THERE WHEN YOU CALLED. RICK WAS A DEDICATED DAD TO HIS CHILDREN AND GRANDFATHER (PAPA RICK) TO HIS GRANDCHILDREN. THE HOLE LEFT BY HIS ABSENCE IS IMPOSSIBLE TO FILL.

RICK HAS BEEN EMBRACED INTO THE LOVING ARMS OF THE LORD AND IS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS FATHER WILLIAM L. ODOM, HIS MOTHER GLORIA I. ODOM, SISTER ROSETTA STROUD, BROTHER DARRYL ODOM, SISTER GLORIA ODOM, AUNT CONSTANCE HOLLEY, FOSTER SISTER DARLENE CAWLEY, COUSIN VINCENT HOLLEY, NEPHEWS ROBERT ODOM, DERRICK SAMS AND GREAT-NEPHEW DIAMONTE ODOM. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON BRANDON AND DAUGHTER-IN-LAW TAMEKA OF BROCKTON MA, HIS DAUGHTER KELLYE OF TEWKSBURY, MA AND DAUGHTER DOMONIQUE AND SON-IN-LAW FLETCHER III OF BROCKTON, MA, HIS GRANDCHILDREN JORDAN, NATHAN, KAMARI, CADENCE, VICTORIA, FLETCHER IV, ADRIENNE, JABARI, MASON, AYESHA AND DARIUS, HIS BROTHER KEVIN AND SISTER-IN-LAW SHARON, HIS SISTERS DARLENE, DEBORAH AND PAMELA, GIRLFRIEND SONYA, UNCLES AND AUNTS, A HOST OF NIECES, NEPHEWS, GREAT NIECES, GREAT NEPHEWS, COUSINS AND MANY FRIENDS.

RICKY O WILL BE GREATLY MISSED.

PROCESSIONAL	MINISTER GREENE AND FAMILY
INNOVOCATION	MINISTER JASON GREENE
OLD TESTAMENT	KEVIN ODOM
NEW TESTAMENT	DANA LYMON
PRAYERS OF COMFORT	MINISTER JASON GREENE
SOLO (HIS EYES IS ON THE SPARROW)	REVEREND TUKES
REFLECTIONS/REMARKS	FAMILY & FRIENDS
POEM	AUJANE STEWART
READING OF OBITUARY	LATOYA JOHNSON
SOLO (I WON'T COMPLAIN)	REVEREND TUKES
EULOGY	MINISTER JASON GREENE
RECESSIONAL	