

*Interment*

King Memorial Park  
8710 Dogwood Road  
(Immediately following Service)

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*Callbearers*

Family & Friends

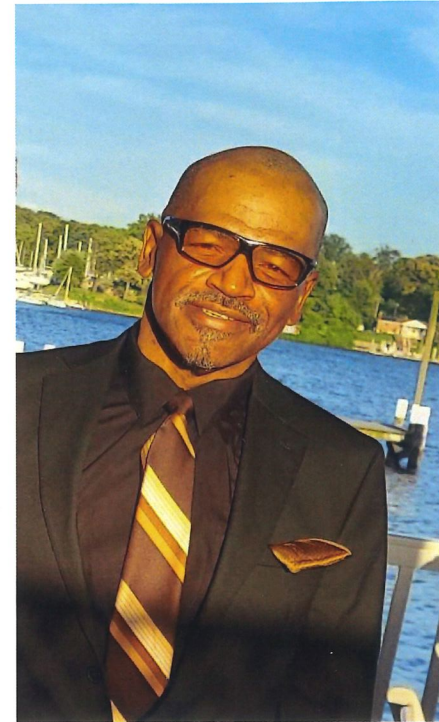


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*Acknowledgment*

The family wishes to express sincere appreciation for all acts of kindness shown and expressions of comfort extended during these hours of bereavement.

*In Loving Memory  
Of*



*David R. Bridgeford*

Sunrise: March 21, 1962 – Sunset: October 16, 2022

*Saturday, November 5, 2022*

WAKE: 10:00 AM

SERVICE: 10:30 AM

In The Chapel Of  
*Joseph H. Brown, Jr. Funeral Home*  
2140 N. Fulton Ave.  
Baltimore, MD, 21217

*Obituary*

David R. Bridgeford was born March 21, 1962, to the late Willie David Williams and the late Pastor Regina Williams in Baltimore, MD. God suddenly called his angel home to rest on October 16, 2022.

David received his education through the Baltimore City Public School System graduating from Douglas Senior High School in 1980. Shortly after graduating, he completed his CDL program and began his 40-year career as a truck driver. From a child, his main hobbies included fishing and crabbing with his father. As a teenager, he developed an interest in gymnastics and a passion for bodybuilding and Harley Davison motorcycles. He later acquired a Harley of his own, ultimately becoming a member of The Free Spirt Motorcycle Club where he remained an active member until his passing. David also had a talent for cooking, primarily seafood. He would frequently visit random seafood establishments to indulge in their daily specials and would often invite his family and friends to join him.

David was a God-fearing man and active in the church community. He was a member of his mother’s church, New Temple of God Baptist Church, until her passing. During that time, he used his impressive tenor voice to sing in the Men’s Choir. After the closing of his mother’s church, David moved around in search of another church home, but the need for a permanent physical temple was never greater than his relationship with God and he continued to sing his praises daily for the rest of his life. During his lifetime David fathered 3 children, David, Davon (who pre-deceased him), and Chiyanna; but also raised Nyiesha, Krystol, and Daneika from babies as his own without question or doubt. He later married his long-time friend Vel Jean Humbert in 2016 but their marriage was tragically cut short when she suddenly passed in 2019.

David was the youngest with 7 older brothers and sisters (Katherine, Stacy, and Larry pre-deceased him), so it was only natural for him to be the jokester with the biggest heart and an infectious smile and laugh. Being the youngest, David often slid jokes past his parents that would otherwise get his older siblings in trouble if they tried it and that fun-free spirit continued throughout his life. David always saw the best in people no matter their situation or circumstances. He was never judgmental and treated everyone with love and respect. You would often find David holding a conversation with any individual, he loved people, but he loved his family most of all, expressed it openly daily, and was very protective – they didn’t call him “The Hulk” for nothing. It was very common for David to just randomly call to see how you are doing or send a GIF (text picture) giving a word of encouragement. If you needed his time, he did not care how long it took, or how late the hour was, more importantly, you never had to ask twice... if at all. Despite the losses David survived, he remained a warm and loving father, granddad, family man, and dedicated friend, giving his last in order to make sure others had without question. David was a rare man in this world, leaving not one enemy when he closed his eyes to take his final rest.

He leaves to carry on his legacy of family and love: his children, David Griffin, Daughter-in-law Kisha, Nyiesha Jennings, Krystol Smith, son-in-law Martee, Chiyanna Bridgeford, Daneika Griffin, son-in-law Jule; his siblings Beverly Roane, Kevin Bridgeford, Karen Brown, brother-in-law Ralph, and Pamela Johnson Ligons-Butler; 14 Grandchildren; 1 Great Grandchild; his nieces and nephews whom he cared for like his own children, very close lifetime friends, Yolanda Johnson, Carl Jamison, William Ellis, Donald, Clarence (The Twins), and Kevin Chapman, Donna Day, Glauda “Pam” Brown, Janice Williams, Frances E. Goods, his Godson Former Navy, PO2 Hayes A. Gaines; and a whole host of family and friends.

*Order of Service*

Musical Prelude ..... Eye Is On The Sparrow

Welcoming & Prayer..... Paster Duane Simmons  
Simmons Memorial Baptist Church

Scripture ..... Daneika Giffin  
Psalms 27: 1-3  
John 14: 1-4

Prayer  
& Words of Comfort ..... Pastor Duane Simmons  
Simmons Memorial Baptist Church

Musical Selections ..... The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power

Obituary & ..... Carl Jamison  
Reading of Cards

Remarks & Encouragement ..... Family & Friends

Final Viewing/Benediction ..... I Won’t Complain