

Footprints

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand. One belonging to him, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times of his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. LORD you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave me.

The LORD replied, my precious, precious child, I Love you and I would never leave you! During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE FAMILY SINCERELY APPRECIATES ALL ACTS OF KINDNESS SHOWN DURING THIS TIME OF BEREAVEMENT. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS, COMFORTING WORDS, PERSONAL VISITS AND CALLS. WE ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS. MAY GOD BLESS AND FOREVER COMFORT YOU.

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IN LOVING MEMORY

James M. Mitchell

JULY 6, 1945 - JUNE 27, 2021



WEDNESDAY, JULY 7, 2021

WAKE: 10:00 AM - MEMORIAL: 10:30 AM

EVERLASTING BAPTIST CHURCH

579 EDDY ROAD - CLEVELAND, OHIO 44108

Order of Service

- Musical Prelude
- Processional..... *The Family*
- Family Visitation 10:00 – 10:30 AM
- Scripture Reading.....

OLD & NEW TESTAMENT
- Prayer.....
- Selection.....
- Remarks *Please Limit to 2 Minutes*
- Obituary *Please Read Silently*
- Eulogy.....
- Recessional..... *Family & Friends*

INTERMENT

Private

Obituary

James Madison Mitchell "Sparky" was born on July 6, 1945 in Clarksburg, WV to Robert Dunlap and Elena Griffin Mitchell. He was the eldest of four children; Jayne Forge Cloud (Mitchell), Renee Bradford, Karleton Bradford and Eric Bradford.

At an early age, Sparky moved to Cleveland, OH. He graduated from Glenville High School in Cleveland, OH in 1965. On February 8, 1965, Sparky enlisted in the United States Air Force and was honorably discharged on February 7, 1971. Shortly after being discharged from the military, Sparky worked at General Electric. After his employment at General Electric, he joined and graduated from the police academy and went on to work as a police officer, where he was later promoted to detective. Sparky served on the police force, in the fourth district, until he suffered a stroke and was forced into retirement in 1983.

Sparky attended and graduated from both Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C) where he received his Associate's degree and Cleveland State University where he received his Bachelor's Degree. Sparky later went on to obtain his Real Estate license and served as a licensed Real Estate Agent.

In 1969, Sparky met Joyce Powell, and out of this union, in 1971, his first child, April Monique Odom (Mitchell) was born. Later in 1971, Sparky married Lorain Mitchell (Fryer), and from that union four children were born; Torrey Deangelo Mitchell, Tremayne Mitchell, Tiffany Lorain Worsham (Mitchell), and Terrence James Mitchell. Sparky was married to Lorain until their divorce in 1991.

Sparky enjoyed dancing prior to his stroke, loved flashy cars, fashionable clothing and being by the water.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Robert Dunlap, and Elena Griffin Mitchell; and his sister, Jayne Forge Cloud.

Sparky is survived by his sister, Renee Bradford; two brothers, Karleton, and Eric Bradford; two daughters, April (Sean) Odom, and Tiffany (Rafael) Worsham; three sons, Torrey (Toni) Mitchell, Tremayne Mitchell, and Terrence Mitchell; five grandchildren; five great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

LOVINGLY SUBMITTED
THE FAMILY