

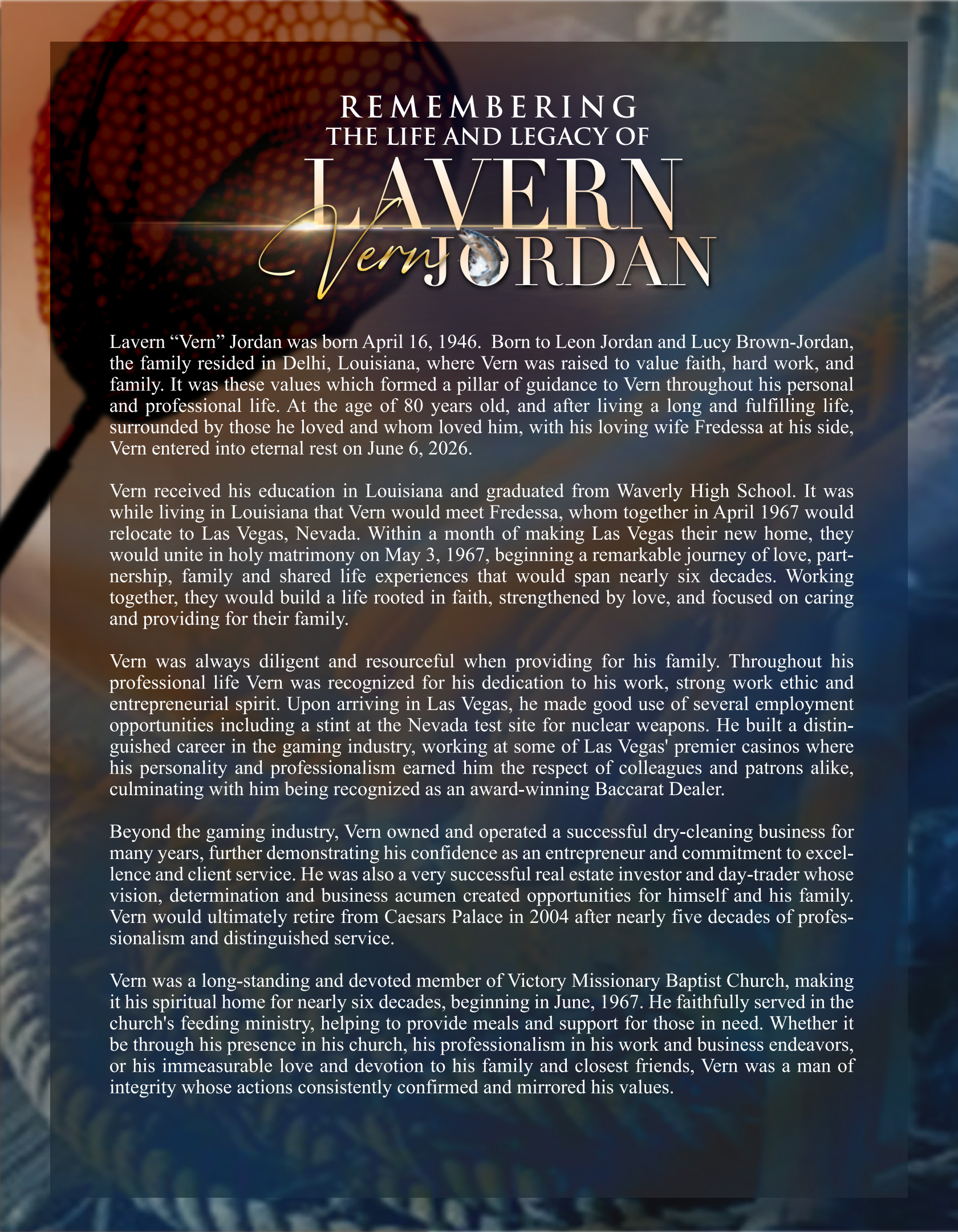
A portrait of Lavern Vern Jordan, a Black man with a shaved head, wearing a dark suit and white shirt. He is resting his chin on his right hand. The background is a soft-focus image of a blue and white patterned fabric.

LAVERN *Vern* JORDAN

APRIL 16, 1946 - JUNE 6, 2026

SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2026
FUNERAL SERVICE 11:00 A.M.

VICTORY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
500 W. MONROE AVE., LAS VEGAS, NV 89106
SEAN A. TAYLOR, SENIOR PASTOR
REVEREND LUCIUS BOWEN III, OFFICIATING



REMEMBERING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF LAVERN *Vern* JORDAN

Lavern “Vern” Jordan was born April 16, 1946. Born to Leon Jordan and Lucy Brown-Jordan, the family resided in Delhi, Louisiana, where Vern was raised to value faith, hard work, and family. It was these values which formed a pillar of guidance to Vern throughout his personal and professional life. At the age of 80 years old, and after living a long and fulfilling life, surrounded by those he loved and whom loved him, with his loving wife Fredessa at his side, Vern entered into eternal rest on June 6, 2026.

Vern received his education in Louisiana and graduated from Waverly High School. It was while living in Louisiana that Vern would meet Fredessa, whom together in April 1967 would relocate to Las Vegas, Nevada. Within a month of making Las Vegas their new home, they would unite in holy matrimony on May 3, 1967, beginning a remarkable journey of love, partnership, family and shared life experiences that would span nearly six decades. Working together, they would build a life rooted in faith, strengthened by love, and focused on caring and providing for their family.

Vern was always diligent and resourceful when providing for his family. Throughout his professional life Vern was recognized for his dedication to his work, strong work ethic and entrepreneurial spirit. Upon arriving in Las Vegas, he made good use of several employment opportunities including a stint at the Nevada test site for nuclear weapons. He built a distinguished career in the gaming industry, working at some of Las Vegas' premier casinos where his personality and professionalism earned him the respect of colleagues and patrons alike, culminating with him being recognized as an award-winning Baccarat Dealer.

Beyond the gaming industry, Vern owned and operated a successful dry-cleaning business for many years, further demonstrating his confidence as an entrepreneur and commitment to excellence and client service. He was also a very successful real estate investor and day-trader whose vision, determination and business acumen created opportunities for himself and his family. Vern would ultimately retire from Caesars Palace in 2004 after nearly five decades of professionalism and distinguished service.

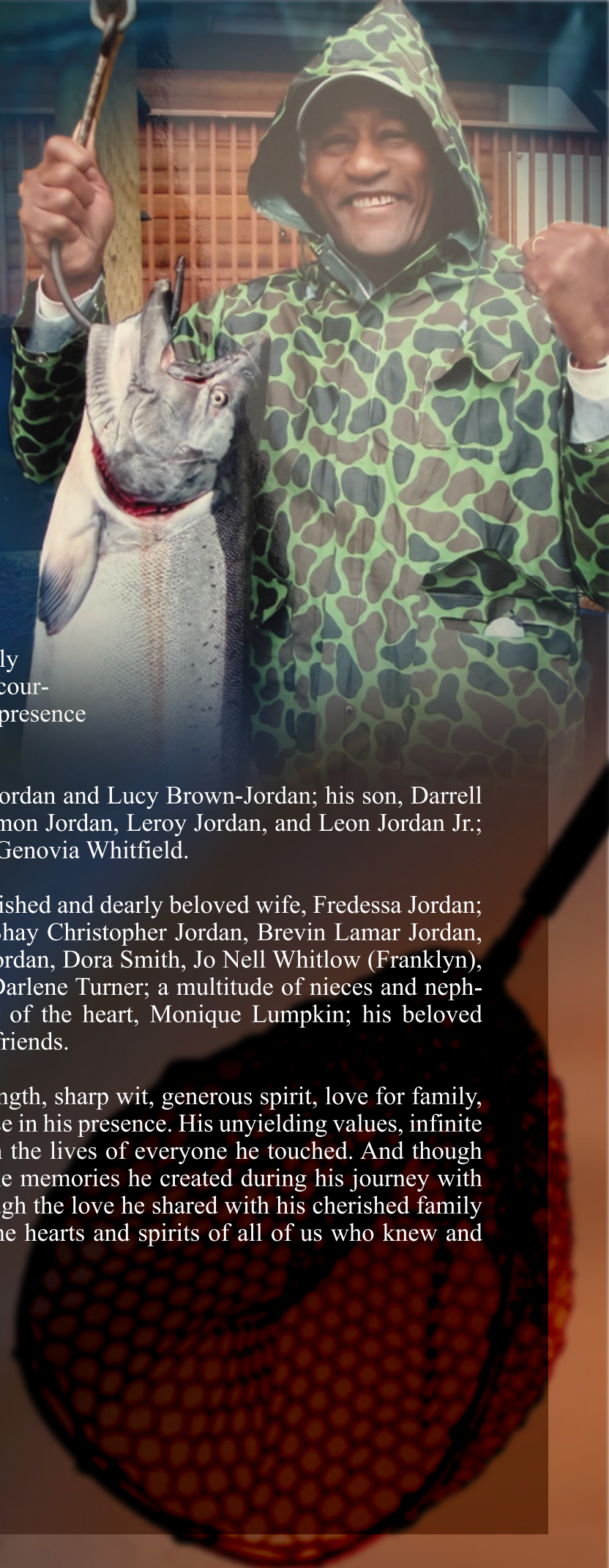
Vern was a long-standing and devoted member of Victory Missionary Baptist Church, making it his spiritual home for nearly six decades, beginning in June, 1967. He faithfully served in the church's feeding ministry, helping to provide meals and support for those in need. Whether it be through his presence in his church, his professionalism in his work and business endeavors, or his immeasurable love and devotion to his family and closest friends, Vern was a man of integrity whose actions consistently confirmed and mirrored his values.

With all that he would achieve, Vern still found his greatest joy in life's simpler pleasures. He was an avid fisherman, spending countless hours exploring the lakes, rivers and coastal waters throughout the Western United States. Some of his fondest and most treasured memories were made while fishing alongside his sons, grandsons and friends. For Vern it was not just a day fishing with his family or friends, it was an opportunity to share his wisdom, life lessons, funny stories and jokes, and encouragement with those that he loved. Vern and Fredessa shared a passion for travel, enjoying cruises that allowed them to see the world together, as well as attending sporting events where they proudly cheered on their sons and grandsons. Their love, encouragement, and unwavering support were a constant presence in the lives of their family.

Vern was preceded in death by his parents, Leon Jordan and Lucy Brown-Jordan; his son, Darrell O'Shay Jordan; his brothers, Jonathan Jordan, Clemon Jordan, Leroy Jordan, and Leon Jordan Jr.; and his sisters, Vidalia Jordan, Rachel Butler, and Genovia Whitfield.

Vern leaves to hold and honor his memory his cherished and dearly beloved wife, Fredessa Jordan; his son, Vernon O'Dell Jordan; his grandsons, O'Shay Christopher Jordan, Brevin Lamar Jordan, and Jaylen Kyle Jordan; his sisters-in-law, Katie Jordan, Dora Smith, Jo Nell Whitlow (Franklyn), Beverly Owen, Willie Sue Wesly (Andrew), and Darlene Turner; a multitude of nieces and nephews; his extended family, including his daughter of the heart, Monique Lumpkin; his beloved church family; and immeasurable number of dear friends.

Vern will forever be remembered for his quiet strength, sharp wit, generous spirit, love for family, and willingness to share his wisdom with all of those in his presence. His unyielding values, infinite wisdom and cherished legacy will live on through the lives of everyone he touched. And though Vern is no longer with us in the physical sense, the memories he created during his journey with Fredessa, the love of his life of 59 years, and through the love he shared with his cherished family and friends, his presence will live on forever in the hearts and spirits of all of us who knew and loved him.







A full-length photograph of a man standing in a kitchen. He is wearing a brown cowboy hat with a floral band, dark sunglasses, a blue denim jacket over a plaid shirt, blue jeans, and brown leather shoes. He is looking towards the camera. The background shows a kitchen with wooden cabinets and a tiled floor.

ORDER *of Service*

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy & Family

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE
Pastor Fouston Jordan, Rivers of Living Water

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE
Minister Bobby Robinson

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Minister Eric Jordan

MUSICAL SELECTION
Ardania Richardson, "I Can Only Imagine"

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT
Family & Friends
Andrew Wesley, Gerand McDowell, Homer Miller, Anthony Williams, and the **Grand Boys:** O'Shay, Brevin & Jalen Jordan

RESOLUTION
Yolanda Givens

MUSICAL SELECTION
Minister Katie Waters, "I Bow Down on My Knees"

EULOGY
Sean A. Taylor, Senior Pastor
Victory Missionary Baptist Church

RECESSIONAL
Clergy & Family

INTERMENT
Palm Downtown Cemetery
1325 Main Street, Las Vegas, NV 89101

REPAST
Lake Memorials
2620 Regatta Dr., Las Vegas, NV 89128

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF LAVERN *Vern* JORDAN



DEAR DADDY,

Although you are gone, you will never be forgotten. From the very beginning, you taught Darrell and me the values that have guided us throughout our lives. You taught us to respect our elders, attend church, and always say “please” and “thank you” as soon as we were old enough to speak. You also taught us that no one is better than we are, and that we are no better than anyone else. You instilled in us the importance of getting an education because, as you often said, it is the one thing that no one can ever take away from us. You taught us many valuable lessons about life and time.

You would say that a man can lose a friend and make another one. He can lose all of his money and earn more. He can even lose his wife and find another. But time is the one thing a man can never get back, so he should never waste it. Daddy, I wish we had more time together. But your time here was complete, and you had to go. Even so, I carry your wisdom and love with me every day. Until we meet again, you will remain forever in my heart.

Love forever your son, Vernon Odell Jordan

“A TRIBUTE TO PAPA”

You’ve taught us so much over our lifetime, it’s hard to remember it all but there are times when we think about you and just feel like crying because we’ll never be able to hear your amazing words of wisdom and life advice again. We will love you forever Papa, Thank you for the amazing impact you’ve made. You’ve left this world a better place than you found it, just like you’ve always taught us to do. In true Papa fashion....leading by example



MY DEAR VERN,

Thank you for a lifetime of love, companionship, protection, support, and for always being a provider for our family. Through every season of our lives, you stood beside me with strength, kindness, and guidance whenever it was needed. Together we built a beautiful life, raised two wonderful sons, and were blessed with three precious grandsons who will forever carry a piece of you with them. The memories we created together will remain my greatest treasures. While my heart is broken by your absence, I do not yet know how I will carry on without you, but I will hold tightly to the love, strength, and memories we built together. I am grateful for every day, every laugh, every touch, every challenge we overcame, and every moment we shared. The depth of our love was a blessing that I will cherish for the rest of my days. Vern, your love shaped my life in ways words can never fully express,

and I will carry the ache of missing you for the rest of my days. Until we meet again, you will always be my greatest and forever love.

Love Always, Fredessa

THE LAST REQUEST

Please do not say that I gave up, just say I gave in. Don't say I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or win. Please don't say how good I was, but that I did my best. Just say I tried to do what's right. To give the most I could, not to do less. Please don't give me wings or halo, that's for God to do. I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due. Please don't give flowers or talk in harsh tones. Don't be concerned about me now. I'm well with God, I've made it home. Don't talk about what could've been, it's over and it's done. Just see all my family needs, the battle has been won. When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a Saint. I've done some good, I've done some wrong, so use all your paint, not just the bright and light tones. Use some gray and dark, in fact don't put me down on canvas, paint me in your heart, Don't just remember good times, but remember some bad. For life is full o many things, some happy and some sad, but if you must do something then I have on last request. Forgive me the wrong I've done and with the love that's left, thank God for my soul's resting. Thank God for I've been blessed. Thank God for all who love me. Praise God who loved me best.

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

O'Shay Jordan | Brevin Jordan
Jalen Jordan | DeAndre Asberry
Anthony Turner | Jared Walker

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Chad Jordan | Eric Jordan
Leon Jordan III | Homer Miller
Henry Thomas | Gregory Thompson
Aaron Womack | Franklin Whitlow

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