

Mr. Larry
DEAN FLEMING

DECEMBER 16, 1949 - JUNE 6, 2025

SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025
11:00 A.M.

CALVARY SOUTHERN BAPTIST CHURCH
1600 E. CARTIER AVE., NORTH LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89030

REMEMBERING THE LIFE AND LEAGACY OF

Mr. Larry DEAN FLEMING

Larry Dean Fleming was born on December 16, 1949, in Pioneer, Louisiana, to Wilma Jean and Leonard Fleming. He spent his early years in Louisiana before moving to Las Vegas, Nevada, where he attended Westside and Madison Elementary Schools, Freemont Middle School, and graduated from Las Vegas High School. During his high school years, Larry excelled as an athlete, playing football and running track. He later attended the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) before making the honorable decision to serve his country.

In 1971, Larry joined the United States Army, completing a tour in Germany from 1971 to 1973. He was honorably discharged, marking the end of his military service and the beginning of a diverse and fulfilling career.

Larry worked in various roles throughout his life, showcasing his adaptability and commitment. Fueled by a lifelong love for photography, he returned to the Community College of Southern Nevada to study Television Production. His passion and dedication opened the door to a remarkable opportunity with ABC News, where he stood behind the camera, capturing history as it unfolded before his lens. Later, he entered the vibrant casino industry, working as a Blackjack and Baccarat dealer at renowned establishments such as the Royal Inn Hotel and Casino, MGM Grand Hotel and Casino, Hilton Hotel and Casino, and Westward Ho. He eventually retired as a Blackjack dealer from Arizona Charlie's, leaving behind a legacy of professionalism and charm.

Larry's personal life was rich with love and family. He married Althea Hall, who predeceased him. Later he was blessed with his first son, Patrick Fleming, who had also preceeded him in death. Larry was also blessed with his first daughter, Lameisha Pegues.

In 1977, he married Betsy Bailey, and together they welcomed twins, Khaled and Khameel Fleming, into the world. He was also blessed with two more daughters, A'Jha Thomas and Artesia Fleming. Later in life, Larry discovered and bonded with another daughter, Fallon Dennis, through ancestry research completing his cherished family.

Larry's faith was a cornerstone of his life. He accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior under the guidance of Pastor Lawrence Haley at Calvary Southern Baptist Church where he was also baptized.

Known affectionately as the "Barbeque King of Las Vegas," Larry had a passion for grilling that was unmatched. Alongside his bestfriend Loopy Banks, he won 1st place in the Las Vegas City Barbeque Cookoff. His legendary BBQ sauce, beef ribs, baked beans, and smoked turkeys were beloved by all who had the pleasure of tasting them. Beyond grilling, Larry enjoyed deep-sea and recreational fishing, hunting, camping, swimming, and gambling. A true sports enthusiast, he was a devoted fan of the Los Angeles Lakers, Los Angeles Dodgers, and Las Vegas Raiders.

Larry's life was a testament to resilience, love, and joy. On June 6, 2025, he was called home to be with the Lord, as reflected in 2 Corinthians 5:8: "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."

Larry is preceded in death by his parents, Wilma Jean Varra and Leonard Fleming; his stepfather, Manuel Varra; and his brothers, Norris Fleming and Bobby Fleming, the latter of whom passed just one day prior to Larry's death.

He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved siblings: Donald Fleming Sr., Debbie "Cookie" Fleming-Glover (David Greg Glover), and Antonio Varra (Deblon Varra). He is also survived by his cherished children: his son, Khaled Fleming, and his daughters, Lameisha Pegues (Michael Pegues), Khameel Fleming, Fallon Dennis, A'Jha Thomas (Bernard Thomas), and Artesia Fleming.

Larry's legacy lives on through his 16 grandchildren: Patrick Fleming Jr., Amir Warren, Zaire Pegues, Malcolm Pegues, Azyrah Simpson, Ahzion Smith, Ahzon Smith, Azylah Smith, A'Jha Thomas, A'Jhanii Thomas, A'Jhalyn Thomas, A'Jhaan Thomas, A'Jhaanis Thomas, A'Jhalah Thomas, Andrea Bowman and Langston Ford; as well as his great-granddaughter, Avira Warren.

A very special cherished memory is felt by his niece Nicole Cuiffo (Anthony Cuiffo).

He will also be deeply missed by his best friend, Jeanie Banks, and her daughters, Afeni Banks and Africa Jordan, along with their children—A'Niah Dexter, A'Shari Thomas, Aalik Banks, and Artia Adams—whom he helped to raise and loved as his own. In addition, a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins will carry forward his enduring spirit and cherished legacy.

SMILES

Smiles can open doors
Smiles can heal sores
Smiles can change worlds
Smiles can bring girls
Smiles can make your day
Smiles brought you my way
With all the things you do in life
Always keep smiling, smiling, smiling
Larry Fleming 4/15/2013

LIFE

Life has leaps
Life has bounds
Life has smiles
Life has frowns
Life can lift you up
Life can bring you down
Life with smart decisions can keep you around
As you enjoy your life
Make good choices and life can be very very beautiful and sound
Larry Fleming 4/15/2013

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Procession.....

Scripture.....

 Old Testament.....

 New Testament.....

Prayer.....

Praise Signing.....Tysonja Pervis

Musical Tribute.....Carolyn, Karolena and Kaitlyn Logan

Obituary Reading & Acknowledgements.....Jeanie Banks and Africa Jordan

Musical Tribute.....Carolyn, Karolena and Kaitlyn Logan

Reflections (2 minutes).....Family & Friends (total of 15 minutes)

Praise Dance.....Kyundra, Brinay, Brielle, Briyanna, Bria, & Tylah
 “Smile-Tasha Cobbs”

Short Poem.....Betsy Ray Fleming
 A'Jha Thomas and Artesia Fleming (Daughters)

Eulogy.....

Recessional.....

REPAST

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HONORING THE LIFE AND LEAGACY OF

Mr. Larry DEAN FLEMING

Dear Daddy,

My kind, gentle—and yes, goofy—spirit comes from you. I am the woman I am today because of the love, quality time, and guidance you and Mom instilled in me. You always taught me to lead with kindness. You and I never once had an argument, and that speaks volumes about both our spirits and the deep respect we shared. You often said you wanted to spend meaningful time with all your children because your father didn't do that for you—and you truly fulfilled that promise. We made countless memories together and laughed until we cried. Your love was unmatched, and to this day, I've never met a person as kind and gentle as you. Remember the time I was trying to impress you and Bernard by floating and doing the splits in the pool? I kept popping back up like a cork, and we laughed about it for years—hehehehe! Our love is everlasting. You gave me the nickname Cinderella because I'd leave the house looking stunning, ready to hit the town with friends, and come home at 5 a.m. looking an absolute mess—heheheh! That memory, like so many others, still makes me smile. I will forever carry your love with me.

Love always,

Your Cinderella- A'Jha Thomas

Dad, your legacy lives on in all of us—in our strength, our love and kindness, and the way we show up for one another. You may be gone from our sight, but never from our hearts. I will always be your chocolate princess.

– Artesia Fleming, Daughter

Thank you for accepting me as your son. We shared a bond over sports, fishing, grilling and betting. I know the Lord needed his bbq king in Heaven.

– Bernard Thomas, Son-in Law

Life is short, and loss is real. And losing a loved one hurts no matter which one it is. Losing 2 is most devastating. Especially if it's unexpected. My dad's role in my early childhood was sketchy and awkwardly sporadic. Did he have flaws? Absolutely. My dad wasn't there for me growing up. So 11 years ago, after serving time in the army, a separation from my husband, I packed up my son and moved back home to Vegas. From there on, every moment spent with my dad, every opportunity, he tried to make things right. He tried to make up for lost time. And in my heart, I can say he did. Without a doubt in my mind, Dad knew that I loved him. Dad knew that I forgave him for his absence. Our relationship wasn't based on what he gave materially. It was based on the quality time we spent together sharing our values. I don't value things over family and love. Dad and I have frequent and long conversations about his experiences, his hurts, his fear and loves, his desires, and his beliefs. And yes, his regrets. Dad was an amazing storyteller, most of his stories I heard more than 10 times, but each time, I listened as if it were the first time. Dad was also a great listener, never judgmental. I could go on and on about our quality time together. But it was special. It was personal. It was ours built on renewed trust. Love was the foundation. We will meet again with Christ.

–Love Khameel Fleming, Your other chocolate Daughter

Dad, we were fortunate to have your love and guidance in our lives. It has helped us to become the best versions of ourselves. We will continue to make you proud. I love you.

– Lemeisha Pegues, Daughter

Larry, thank you for accepting me as your son-in-law. You've always been welcoming and eager to discuss life lessons, grilling, fishing, and the Raiders. The love you displayed extended when Zaire and Malcolm were born. Thank you for your kindness, honesty and love.

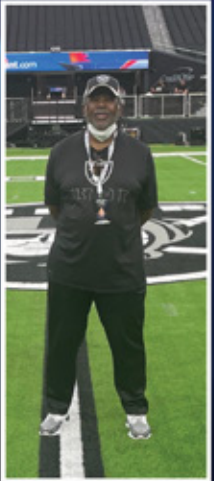
– Mike Pegues, Son-In-Law

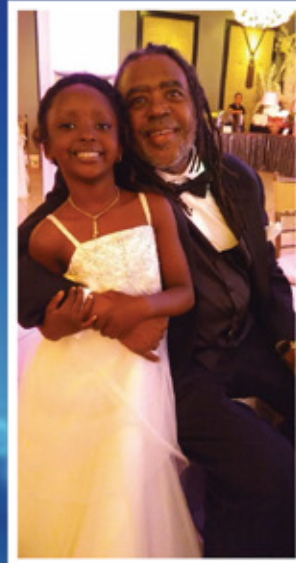
Hey old Man, our time together was brief, but our love and bond were unconditional. I am forever grateful for the time we had.

– Fallon Dennis, Daughter

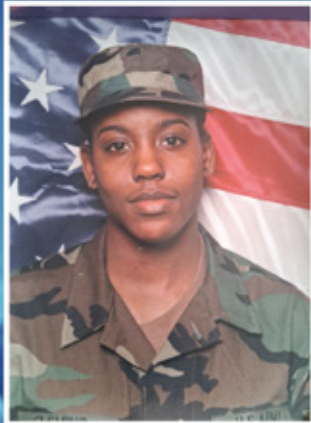
I love you, and thank you for loving us as if no time had passed.

– Andrea Bowman, Granddaughter











HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Antonio "Tank" Varra
Tyrian Varra
Brent Sibley
Brandon Sibley
Donald "Don Don" Fleming Jr.
Curt Lindsey
Michael Lee
Amir Warren
Patrick Fleming

JR. HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Malcolm Pegues
Zaire Pegues
Ahzion Smith
Ahzon Smith
A'Jhaan Thomas
A'Jhaanis Thomas
Langston Ford

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The family of Larry Fleming wishes to express our deepest and most sincere gratitude for the overwhelming love, heartfelt prayers, comforting words, and countless acts of kindness shown to us during this profoundly difficult time. Your support has brought us strength and solace, and we are forever grateful for the love you've shared as we celebrate Larry's life and legacy.



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