

To Those I Love

When I am gone, release me, let go.
I have so many things to see and do.
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
Be happy that we had so many years.
I gave you my love; you can only guess how much you gave me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown, but now it's time I travel on alone,
So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must.
Then, let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part, so bless the memories within your heart.
I won't be far away, for life goes on,
So if you need me, call, and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near,
And if you listen with your heart,
you'll hear all my love around you,
soft and clear; and then, when you must come this way alone,
we'll meet in Heaven around God's throne

Pallbearers and Flower Bearers

Alfonso Mason
Thomas Mason
Kelly Mason
Syid Justice
Nerraw Johnson
Nathaniel Robinson

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Professional Services Entrusted to:

Joseph Brown Funeral Home
2140 N. Fulton Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

CELEBRATING *the* LIFE of RENARD MASON

1971-2023



Celebration Service

Monday, November 13, 2023

Wake: 2:00PM | Service: 2:30PM

**Joseph H. Brown Funeral Home
2140 Fulton Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21217**

Pastor Bryant C. Claiborne, Officiating | Pastor Sheila Claiborne, Eulogist

Obituary

Renard “Foods/ Football” Mason also known as “Cowboy” was born on August 17, 1971 to the late Roosevelt Hudson and Sylvia Mason in Boston, Massachusetts. Foods expired at St. Agnes Hospital after a prolonged illness, November 1, 2023. Renard received his education in the Boston Public School System. He furthered his education at Walden University online, where he received degrees in Business Administration and Finance .

Foods sustained an injury at the age of 19, which left him paralyzed. However, Foods refused to let the “chair” define who he was as a person. He was an avid reader, spoke multiple languages; he was very focused on being financially stable, always preparing for the next day. He loved redoing furniture, listening to all genres of music, and was an avid collector of many things. Despite not having any children of his own, that didn’t stop him from trying to be “Dad” to all (including his siblings and mother). He’s listed in his sister Candy’s phone as “Dad Foods”. Foods visited several foreign countries on his own; drove his own car (with a bat and or stick) and did everything his own way. Everything Foods did, he did well. One of his favorite sayings was “Mediocrity is not an option.”

Foods was an amazing son, brother, uncle; cousin and friend. He was incredibly bossy and truly a momma’s boy (mummy where you at? Mummy, why you not answering the phone? Nerraw, is mummy upstairs? Candy, have you spoken to mummy? Naug hty, mummy’s playing games; she’s not answering the phone. De’Quisha, did you speak to your nana, she’s not answering the phone). During his various hospitalizations, Ms. Wanda would always want to know what Foods wanted to eat. She would make him his own gourmet meals, (wrapped up like Fort Knox) ; before it was delivered to him, Ms., Wanda took the time to cut the meats, etc. in very small pieces, which he could eat. Foods would tear right into the food once it was delivered, visitors there or not. Everyone knew not to ask for any of it. Foods will be greatly missed and never forgotten, he was a piece of work; one of a kind, any and everyone who knew him would agree.

Foods was preceded in death by his father, Roosevelt Hudson; nephew, Navon Mason; aunts and uncles, Virginia (Sally) Hooker; Nelson Mason, Rodney Mason, Tommy Mason, Gene Mason, Eleanor Justice, Walter Hudson, Calvin Hudson, and Earlene Hudson.

Foods leaves to cherish his memory, his mother, Sylvia Mason; step father, Rainey Garrett; siblings, Alfonso Mason, Carmen Mason, Nerraw Johnson, Shanna Shaw and Nicole Hudson; aunts and uncles, Karen Robinson, Gayle Hart, Deborah Mason and Douglas Mason , all of Harrisonburg, Virginia, Earl Mason of Windsor, Ct. and Celeste King of Oakland, California , Lula Hudson, Betty Hudson and Linda Hudson, all of Boston, MA. Ann Hudson and James Hudson of Alabama; four nieces, De’Quisha, Nadia, Nalisa and Carmen; three nephews, Nadeo, Joshua, and Alfonso; two great nieces, Ma’Kailah and Samyah. Foods had a host of cousins (to many to name) and friends. He shared a special bond with his childhood friend, Stevie Williams. Foods will be truly missed by all.

Order of Service

Officiating: Pastor Bryant Claiborne
Agapé Miracle Church

Opening Hymn.....	Blessed Assurance
Prayer.....	Rev. Constance Stanton
Scripture.....	Elder Sandy Smith Old Testament- Psalm 23 New Testament- I Thessalonians 4: 13-15
Solo.....	April Davis- Paul
Words of Comfort	2 minutes (Please)
Acknowledgments/ Obituary.....	Nandy Mason
Solo.....	April Davis- Paul
Eulogy.....	Co-Pastor Sheila Claiborne Agapé Miracle Church
Benediction	Pastor Bryant Claiborne Agapé Miracle Church

