

Broken Chain

We little knew that morning that God was going to
call your name, in life we loved you dearly, in death
we do the same. It broke our hearts to lose you,
you did not go alone; for part of us went with you
the day God called you home. You left us peaceful
memories, your love is still our guide, and though
we cannot see you, you are always by our side. Our
family chain is broken and nothing seems the
same, but as God calls us one by one, the chain
will link again.

When I'm Gone

When I come to the end of my journey and I travel
my last weary mile, just forget if you can, that I ever
frowned and remember only the smile.

Forget unkind words I have spoken; remember some
good I have done, forget that I ever had a heartache
and remember I've had loads of fun.

Forget that I have stumbled and blundered and
sometimes fell by the way. Remember I have fought
some hard battles and won, ere the close of the day.

Then forget to grieve for my going, I would not have
you sad for a day, but in summer just gather some
flowers and remember the place where I lay.

And come in the evening when the sun paints the sky
in the west, stand for a few moments beside me and
remember only my best.

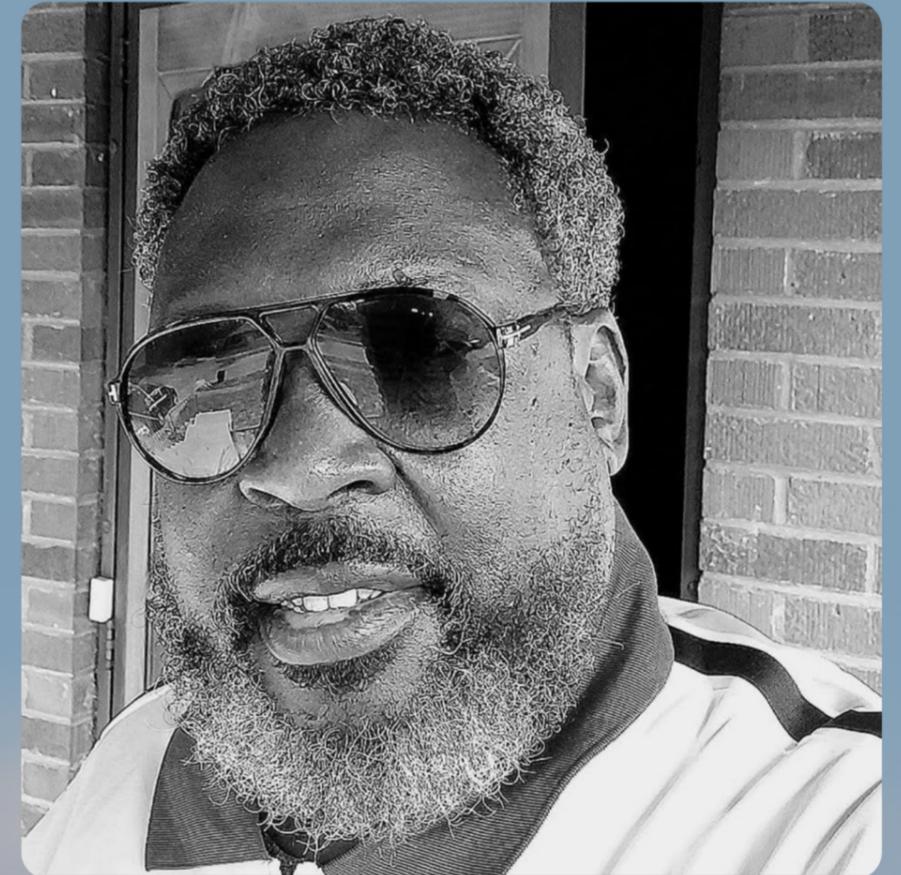
Acknowledgements

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep
appreciation the many expressions of love,
concern, prayers, and kindness shown to them
during this hour of bereavement.
May God Bless and Keep You!
- The family of Calvin Chapel Jr.



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Calvin Chapel Jr.

June 21, 1974 - May 18, 2025

June 7, 2025

Visitation: 2:00 pm - Funeral Service: 3:00 pm

Walker - Walnut Hills

2625 Gilbert Avenue | Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Pastor David Bishop, New St Paul Missionary Baptist
Church, Officiating

Obituary

Calvin James Chapel Jr. was born on June 21, 1974, and passed away peacefully on May 18, 2025. He was the beloved son of Yolanda Johnson (deceased June 8, 2019) and Calvin Chapel, and is survived by his loving father and cherished siblings: Erin Chapel, Eric Morris, Darice Chapel, and Millard Thower. He was a proud uncle to Jayla Travis, Jaylan Chapel, Jayce Bothwell, Elijah Brandt, and Makayla Morris, and a devoted great-uncle to Oaklynn Chapel—whom he often loved as if they were his own child.

Calvin, affectionately known as “Chilly Cal” for his laid-back demeanor, valued the joy of childhood and found deep fulfillment in nurturing those around him. He shared a special bond with his aunts and uncles, including Aunt Pepper, Uncle Jay, Uncle Albert, Uncle Terry, Uncle Willie, and Aunt Jackie, who were like second parents to him. His many childhood friends became like brothers, creating lifelong connections that brought richness and joy to his life.

He now joins his beloved mother Yolanda Johnson, grandfather Elijah Johnson, grandmothers Yvonne Johnson and Reba Chapel, and stepmother Virginia Chapel in Heaven. Calvin was a private man with a kind heart, known for his sarcastic humor and thoughtful spirit that brightened many lives. After receiving his GED, he worked in home improvement for many years before finding a fulfilling career at Metro, where he formed countless friendships that felt like family.

Calvin was known for his gentle soul and unwavering respect for the women in his life, always showing the traits of a true gentleman. He had a passion for fashion—especially his shoes and glasses—and enjoyed fishing, cooking, dining out, and working on his mother’s home. He loved quiet moments spent at home, often listening to music and talk radio. A talented artist, he appreciated nature and was fond of old-school TV shows.

Though large in stature, Calvin was a man of quiet strength, respected in his community for his humility and compassion. He often checked in on his father and other family members, and took great pride in mentoring the youth he encountered along his bus routes. He was a gentle giant—a man full of love who was deeply loved in return.

Recently, Calvin obtained his passport and was eager to explore the world. Now, he sees it from a better view. He will be greatly missed, as people with hearts as big as his are truly rare.

Thank you for being part of our lives, Calvin. May you rest peacefully with Mom—we know how much you missed her. We love you always.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude
Parting View Immediate Family
Prayer Pastor David Bishop
Scripture Pastor David Bishop
Selection Tammy Caesar
"I Won't Complain"
Acknowledgements Pastor David Bishop
Remarks 2 Minutes Please
Obituary Read Silently
Selection Stevie Wonder
"As"
Eulogy Pastor David Bishop
Benediction Pastor David Bishop
Recessional Clergy, Family & Friends



*Life is not measured
by the number of breaths
we take, but by the
moments that
take our breath away.*

- Unknown