

'I'm Free'

Don't grieve for me for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard him call, I turned my back and left it all I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work or play Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of day If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish for you the sunshine of tomorrow My life's been full, I've savored much, Good friends, good times, my loved one's touch If my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief Lift up your heart, rejoice with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.



Pallbearers

Kendal Mason
Derrick Blakes
Rick Dees

Eric Blakes
Daniel McCray
Rodine Frazier

Al Cephus

Acknowledgments

We would like to express our sincerest gratitude for the kind words, prayers, and deeds of kindness that have been offered during our time of bereavement. We thank you and may God's blessings be with you all. - The Hobdy Family



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Celebrating THE LIFE OF



Mark Kent Hobdy

February 17, 1960 - December 14, 2024

Saturday, January 4, 2025

Visitation: 10:00 am - Funeral Service: 11:00 am

Walker Funeral Home - Walnut Hills

2625 Gilbert Avenue - Cincinnati, Ohio 45206
Apostle Frank Johnson - Officiating

Obituary

Mark Kent Hobdy was born to George and Evelyn Hobdy on February 17, 1960, in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was the youngest of six children. Mark passed away on December 14, 2024, surrounded by love and the comfort of family and friends.

Mark grew up in the Bond Hill neighborhood, where he enjoyed a lively childhood filled with family and close friendships. Known for his warm smile and easygoing personality, Mark brought joy and laughter to everyone he met.

He accepted Christ at a young age and attended Bibleway Church of God in Christ with his family under the leadership of Elder Abraham Swanson. His faith remained an important part of his life and a source of guidance throughout his years.

Mark attended Samuel Ach Junior High School and Woodward High School. He had a passion for sports and recreation, often playing backyard basketball, shooting pool with friends, and watching boxing matches. A dedicated fan of the Cincinnati Bengals, Mark took pride in supporting his hometown team.

Mark worked at Oak Pavilion Nursing and Care Facility for several years, where he formed meaningful connections with colleagues and residents alike. His love for his family and friends was evident in his kind heart and thoughtful gestures.

Mark was preceded in death by his parents, George and Evelyn Hobdy; his brothers, Alan Hobdy and James Brandon; and his sister, Jeanne Davis. He is now reunited with them in eternal peace.

He leaves behind a legacy of love and cherished memories with his children: Nathaniel Adams (Margie), Lakecia Adams, Megan Hobdy, Malaya Hobdy, and Courtney Pearl; his sister, Barbara Brandon; and brother, George "Randy" Hobdy. Mark's grandchildren, Janasha Cross, Olivia Washington, Melia Best, Mason Hall, Dezjuan McFarland, John McFarland, Nyasia Adams, Uriel Adams, Natalia Adams, Antonio Jones, and Adyen Jones, will carry on his spirit. He will also be remembered fondly by his Aunt Ovella Marie McRay, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends, including his special friend, Kendal Mason, who stood by his side until the very end.

Mark will be remembered for his love of family, his infectious smile, and the joy he brought to those around him. His memory lives on in the hearts of all who knew him. Rest in peace, Mark—you are dearly missed.

A life well lived. A heart well loved. A soul at peace.

Order of Service



Musical Prelude	Soft Music
Parting View	Family
Invocation	Margie Adams
Scripture Readings	James Hunter
	<i>Old Testament</i>
	<i>New Testament</i>
Selection	Kym Hunter
Obituary	Read Silently
Praise Dance	Adonai Reigns
Remarks	Family & Friends
	(Please limit remarks to two minutes)
Eulogy	Apostle Frank Johnson
Benediction	Apostle Frank Johnson
Recessional	Clergy, Pallbearers, & Family

Interment

Vine Street Hill Cemetery
3701 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45220



23rd Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures, He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for

His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.