

Baby Boy

My baby boy from the first time I saw you I knew I was blessed and you always made me proud to be your mother thanks for choosing me love your mother Your father finally got his son to his self. 😊

Brother

You gave no one a last farewell,
nor ever said good-bye,
you were gone before we knew it,
and only God knows why,
A million time we will cry.
If love alone have saved you,
You never would have died.
In life we loved you dearly.
In death we love you still.
In our hearts you hold a place,
no one else can fill.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you didn't go alone,
for part of us went with you,
the day God took you home we will
meet again someday. I know your in
a better place.

I thank God he made you our
brother and no one can fill your place.

Maleeka Menefield

Son

I'm sorry and hurt that you left us all to soon.
We love you from the Ethers
and back to the moon.
You were the one child I could connect
to dealing with the spiritual.
It does not surprise me,
because you were always intellectual
All nine of your siblings starting from Melva to
Makeda had been devastated beyond belief.
The only thing that's encouraging is
the fact you have no mor grief.
Not to worry we have Cayla,
Monee and Menelick for life.
And although it was not legal,
she always be your wife.

Son you are loved by so many near and far.
And not that you are with you Daddy,
you and another bright star.
If I leave you with nothing else,
you just know that you are loved.
We will always remind you children
that you watch them from above

Loving you
Always
Momma (Ketorah)

Pallbearers

Gamaliel Menefield	Quelin Landrum
Jermaine Menefield	Aaron Howard
Marcus Scott	Christian Horne
Dakota Smith	Larry Spellman

Honorary Pallbearers

Eric Scruggs	Elijah Horne
Melvin Horne	Marques Hicks
Albert Coates	Charles Murphy
Trevon Adams	DaJuante Landrum

Flower Bearers

Massiyah Menefield	Mone Menefield
Malee'ah Menefield	Melva Menefield
Maleeka Menefield	Makeda Menefield
Alexus Howard	Arriana Howard

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 Menelik Jahel Menefield

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Menelik Jahel Menefield

January 23, 1994 - March 1, 2025

Saturday, March 22, 2025

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

Walker - Walnut Hills

2625 Gilbert Avenue | Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Yeremiah Tafari, Officiating

Obituary

On January 23, 1994, the world was graced with the presence of Menelik Jahel Menefield, born to his loving mother, Larie “Tafari” Spellmen, and his father, the late great Melvin “Menelik” Menefield, whose spirit he carried with him throughout his journey. Together, Tafari, Menelik, and Ketorah raised him, guiding him with wisdom and care, shaping him into the remarkable man he became.

In 2013, Menelik’s determination and resilience led him to earn his GED through the Jefferson County Public School system in Louisville, Kentucky. With a deep curiosity for the human mind he pursued studies in Psychology at Kentucky State University. Upon returning home, he embraced his entrepreneurial spirit, building a career in landscaping, where his hands shaped the earth as beautifully as his soul shaped the lives around him.

Menelik was more than his achievements—he was a force of nature, full of warmth, and ambition. He walked his path with pride and purpose, guided by his deep faith as a Rasta. He lived by the principles of love, peace, and unity, always seeking truth and enlightenment. His devotion to righteousness and his respect for all living things shone through in the way he carried himself, inspiring those around him to live with intention and integrity.

Whether through his work, friendships, or the love he poured into his family, he left an undeniable imprint on the world. His presence brought laughter, his kindness brought comfort, and his perseverance inspired all who knew him.

Although his time with us was far too short, his legacy will endure in the hearts of those he touched.

He is survived by his last living grandparent, Cheryl Horne; his mothers, Tafari and Ketorah. His beloved children, Mone’ and Menelik Jr. His Fiance, Cayla Jeff, with whom he shared a deep and unwavering bond. They will forever carry his strength and love within them.

Menelik was also a cherished brother, deeply connected to his siblings and their children: his sisters Melva (Massiyah), Maleeka (Malee’ah), and Makeeda; his brothers Charles, Trevon (Triston, Rylan), and Gamaliel (Gamaliel Jr.)—who were not only his family but his closest friends. In Addition to a host of family and friends.

Message from the Family:

“Our hearts are heavy with the loss of Menelik, but we find comfort in knowing that his love, laughter, and legacy will live on. He was a son, a father, a brother, and a friend who filled our lives with joy and purpose. His faith as a Rasta guided him in life, and his spirit remains ever strong, ever present. Though we grieve, we also celebrate the time we had with him—his kindness, his strength, and the unwavering love he gave so freely. Menelik, you will never be forgotten. You live on in every memory, every lesson, and every heart you touched. Rest peacefully, knowing you were deeply loved.”

Jah bless and guide you on your journey, Menelik. Your story does not end here—it lives on in the love you gave, the wisdom you shared, and the roots you planted. Selah.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Steel Pulse
Parting View	Immediate Family
Prayer	Larry Spellman
Scripture	Father Ray
Selection	Shaniece Campbell
Acknowledgements	Cheryl Horne
Remarks	2 Minutes Please
Obituary	Cheryl Horne
Selection	Dionne Partee
Eulogy	Ras Tafari
Benediction	Ras Tafari
Recessional	Friends & Family

Final Resting Place

Spring Grove Cemetery
4521 Spring Grove Avenue - Cincinnati, Ohio
45232

Repast

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
St. Joseph Catholic Church
745 Ezzard Charles Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45203