

IF WE MUST DIE

*If we must die—let it not be like hogs
Hunted and penned in an inglorious spot,
While round us bark the mad and hungry dogs,
Making their mock at our accursed lot.
If we must die—oh, let us nobly die,
So that our precious blood may not be shed
In vain; then even the monsters we defy
Shall be constrained to honor us though dead!
Oh, Kinsmen! We must meet the common foe;
Though far outnumbered, let us show us brave,
And for their thousand blows deal one deathblow!
What though before us lies the open grave?
Like men we'll face the murderous, cowardly pack.*

A WORD OF THANKS

The family would like to thank staff, nurses, doctors, and social workers of OSU The James ICU for providing tireless care and informing the family each step of the way through the months.

We would also like to thank those who reached out offering prayers, concerns, and kindness.



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TONY L. SHAW SR.

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OBITUARY

Tony L. Shaw passed away on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at the age of 60 years old from a sudden battle of lung cancer at The James Cancer Hospital in Columbus, OH.

Tony was born on December 3rd, 1965, to Hurdine Rogers and Marie Palmer-Shaw in Burlington, North Carolina. He and his family migrated to Columbus, Ohio, where he was raised with his 8 siblings and attended Central High School. He later moved to Lansing, Michigan, where he had an active hand in raising 5 children. He moved from Lansing, Michigan, to Mansfield, Ohio, in 1997, where he increased his tribe to 6 children. He lived there until 2016, when he returned to Columbus, Ohio. Columbus remained his home until his passing, where he was known as an avid Ohio State University fan.

Tony kept his finger on the pulse of his community. His neighbors and friends enjoyed his candor. In his later years, he stepped into the role of Grandad with excitement and loved opportunities to spend time with his family.

He is survived by his Aunts, Dorothy Graves and Mary Alice Ruffin, siblings, Timothy Shaw Sr., and Carol Shaw-Dabo. And his children: Tony Shaw Jr., Tyrell Shaw, Tiaunna Shaw, Jawaun Irving, Lonnie Irving, and Tamara Irving. He is the grandparent of numerous grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings: Joseph Shaw, William "Brother" Shaw, Trina Shaw, Deborah Shaw, and Annie Shaw.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Organ Prelude
Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

Parting View
Immediate Family

Scripture Reading
David Cooper

Prayer
David Cooper

Selection
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Acknowledgement/Condolences

Remarks
2 minutes please

Reading of Obituary
Silently

Selection
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The Eulogy
Tony Shaw Jr.

Benediction
The Lord's Prayer

Recessional
Clergy, Family, and Friends