

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

WE, THE FAMILY OF MAURICE D. BAKER, WISH TO EXTEND OUR SINCEREST APPRECIATION TO OUR MANY FRIEND FOR ALL THE ACTS OF KINDNESS SHOWN DURING OUR MOMENTS OF SORROW. THE LORD HAS BEEN GOOD TO US, AND WE THANK YOU FOR BEING THERE WITH US. MAY GOD FOREVER BLESS AND KEEP EACH OF YOU IS OUR PRAYER.

PALLBEARERS

DRAON BAKER

DANTWONE HANKS,
ARTHUR WESTON JR.

WILLIAM BAKER

MARK TAYLOR

MARCUS SPANN



HONORARY PALLBEARERS

MONTRAE JONES

KIM WEBB

MARKESE GUNNELS

ERIC DENNIS

EVERETT DENNIS

LAMAR JONES

AARON DENNIS

Eternal Echoes

Your voice, a melody that fills the air,
Your love, a comfort always there.
In every dawn, in every dusk,
We feel your presence, strong and just.

A father's touch, a guiding hand,
You taught us how to understand.
Though now you rest, your spirit flies,
In every heart, in every sky.

The moments shared, the dreams you gave,
In our souls, forever engraved.
We'll walk this path, with you in mind,
Your love, a light that always shines.

Though parting brings a tender ache,
In our hearts, your place you'll take.
In every step, in all we do,
We'll honor and remember you.



CELEBRATION OF LIFE

"REESE THE BEAST"



MAURICE DRAON *Baker*

SUNRISE: JULY 04, 1973

SUNSET: FEBRUARY 06, 2025

ST. JOHN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
5906 KENWOOD KANSAS CITY, MO. 64110
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2025 AT 2:00 PM
REV. MCCORMICK, OFFICIATING



We Entrusted Our Loved One To The Golden Care Of:

Golden Gate

Funeral & Cremation Services, LLC

2800 East 18th Street, Kansas City, MO 64127
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Life Reflections

Maurice Draon Baker came into the world on July 4, 1973, in Kansas City, Missouri, to George and Linda Baker.

Maurice was a Southeast Knight who molded himself into an entrepreneur capable of selling anything. He met and married Tonya Jones, and together they were blessed with three children.

Maurice loved being around family and friends, and he definitely loved to cook. He was known as the BBQ King to anyone who truly knew him.

“Outdress who?” NOT Maurice. He knew how to dress better than most. “Show ’em who they supposed to be,” he would say.

When it came to gambling, he was always ready—shaking those dice was second nature. EVERYBODY knew that if you needed protection in any way, he was pulling up, and he was going to be just that—a protector!

You did not want to get into a roast battle with him because there was only one person who could go toe to toe with him when it came to jokes—Cousin Marie.

Maurice departed from us on February 6, 2025. He was preceded in death by his father, George Baker; grandfather, Maurice Crawford; grandmother, Julia Dennis; grandparents, Dinsmore and Mary Baker; along with several uncles and aunts.

To cherish his memory, Maurice leaves behind his wife, Tonya Jones; children, Dantwone Hanks, Draon Baker (Kareema Baker), and Antwanique Baker, Davon Hughes, and Aniyah Dawkins; mother, Linda Scales; siblings, Terron Baker and Arshell Avery; and his granddaughter, Phoenix Armani Baker. He also leaves behind many uncles, aunts, nephews, cousins, and other loving relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Prelude

Soft Music

Old Testament

Rev. Terry Lindsey

New Testament

Elder Lisa Dolphin

Prayer

Pastor Aldon Jones

Selection

Carlton McCormick

“ Shall Wear a Crown ”

*Acknowledgements &
Condolences*

ShaRon Williams

Life Reflections

Read In Silence

Video Tribute

Remarks

Family & Friends

Two (2) Minutes Please

Selection

Marcus Williams Jr.

Words of Comfort

Rev. McCormick

Benediction/Recessional

*~Repast~
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