

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.



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 Johnnie F. Pugh, II



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*In Loving Memory
of*



Johnnie F. Pugh, II

November 18, 1960 - May 17, 2025

Saturday, June 7, 2025
Visitation: 10:00 am
Funeral Service: 11:00 am
Walker - Walnut Hills
2625 Gilbert Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45206
Marilyn King, Officiating

Obituary

Johnnie Fredrick Pugh, II, was born on Friday, November 18th, 1960, in Georgiana, Alabama. He was the son of the late Rev. Johnnie Pugh, Sr., and Verbie Pugh, the youngest of four children. On Saturday, May 17th, 2025, he made his triumphant transition to glory. We say that he has departed, but God says that he has arrived.

At an early age, he gave his life to the Lord. He attended Georgiana Public Schools and graduated in 1979. He moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1989 and met Melanie Barksdale in 1991. Melanie and Johnnie were soon married in 1992 and remained happily married for 33 years.

Johnnie enjoyed riding motorcycles. In 1993, he joined the Posse Motorcycle Club and was soon elected president of the Cincinnati Chapter. In addition to motorcycles, Johnnie enjoyed deejaying and traveling with his wife.

Johnnie was known for his warm smile, gentle demeanor, and humorous personality, leaving a lasting impression on all who knew and loved him. Johnnie was an avid fan of the Cincinnati Bengals, the Alabama Crimson Tide, the Alabama State University Hornets, and the WWE (World Wrestling Entertainment). He found comfort and joy in the simple moments he spent watching sports with family and friends, but most of all, he enjoyed spending time and taking care of his wife.

He was preceded in death by his parents, the Rev. Johnnie Pugh, Sr. and Verbie Pugh; brother, Clint Pugh, Sr.; father and mother-in-law, Thomas (Betty) Barksdale; and brother-in-law, Melvin Barksdale. He is survived by his wife, Melanie Pugh; sons, Curtis Caldwell and Tre Caldwell; brother, Patrick Pugh, Sr.; sisters, Marilyn (Hillary) King and Patricia Anderson; special niece, Bethany Hargrove; brothers-in-law, Michael (Nicole), Marcus (Chontea), and Marlon Barksdale; and a host of family and friends.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude	Soft Music
Parting View	Family
Prayer	Tange Murrell
Scripture	Tange Murrell
Selection	Arica Newton
Acknowledgments	Wilma Rainey
Remarks	Wilma Rainey
Obituary	Wilma Rainey
Selection	Arica Newton
Eulogy	Marilyn King
Benediction	Marilyn King
Recessional	Pallbearers, Family, & Friends



Pallbearers

Patrick Pugh, Sr.	J.T. Thornton
Patrick Pugh, Jr.	Leland Devaughn
Marcus Barksdale	Christian Jones

Interment

Walnut Hills Cemetery
3117 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati, Ohio 45206

Repast

Bi-Okoto Cultural Center
5601 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45212