

Order of Service

Prelude	
Processional	
Invocation	Rev. Antwonn Lynch
Old Testament	Psalm 23 Minister
New Testament	I Thes. 4:13-18 Minister
Prayer of Comfort	
Musical Selection	"I Can Only Imagine"
Remarks	Children
Resolution	
Obituary Reading	
Musical Selection	"I Love You, Jesus"
Words of Comfort	Rev. Antwonn Lynch
Recessional	"Take Me to the King"

Interment
Gaston Memorial Park
Gastonia, North Carolina



Floral and Pall Bearers

Family and Friends

Note of Thanks

Thank you everyone who took time out of your busy schedule to stop by and give a hug, a flower, a card, say a prayer, and share memories of Benji. These things will always linger in our hearts. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers as we process

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A Life Well Lived Home Going Celebration for Mr. Antonio Joseph Benjamin, Sr.



October 27, 1947—March 29, 2024

April 6, 2024
12:30 PM

Mt. Hebron Baptist Church
732 Mt. Hebron Church Road
Gastonia, North Carolina

Reverend Antwonn Lynch, Pastor
Officiating





Antonio Joseph Benjamin, Sr. is affectionately known to those who love him as Benji or Tony. He was born on October 27, 1947, in Bronx, N.Y.



He was the second oldest of eight children to the late Lionel Alphonse Benjamin and Violet George Benjamin. Benji attended Morris High School in Bronx, N.Y. where he loved sports but excelled in basketball. After graduating high school, he worked as an accountant for ten years before enlisting in the United States Army. He enlisted for three years where he served as a Combat Medic. While in the Army, he completed one combat tour in Vietnam. After completing his enlistment contract, he was Honorably discharged from the military. He relocated to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Island where he resided for forty years. His love for helping people led him to continue working in the medical field as a CNA and a male nurse for over thirty years. After retiring from the Government of the Virgin Islands, he relocated to Virginia for a few years then moved to Gastonia North Carolina which became his home. While living in Gastonia he joined the National for Black Veterans and became a member of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church.

Our Dad had a massive love for life, family, and sports. He was a man of few words. His calm demeanor was what his family and friends loved about him. He never had any emeries because his heart was so humble and pure. His smile and laughter we will truly miss. Our dad was the type of person that would give you the shirt off his back. His legacy will live on through his children and grandchildren. If you knew anything about our dad was that he loved food, from red pea soup, steak, chocolate cake, chocolate covered cherries. He would do his happy dance when he was eating his favorite dish. Benji enjoyed watching women's college basketball. His favorite teams were the New York Giants, New York Knicks, UCONN Huskies women's college basketball, and UNC Tar Heels.

Benji is survived by his two brothers Angelo and Robert Benjamin, one sister Alicia Benjamin, four daughters, Cherise, Cheryl, and Canena Benjamin and Kimberlee Penha, one son, Antonio Benjamin Jr., fourteen grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a niece Varsha Benjamin. He was a blessed man who lived a full life.

Antonio Joseph Benjamin returned home as his sunset came on March 29, 2024. Fly high Daddy we love you.

