



Daddy

Daddy, You never told us you were leaving us. We never got a chance to say goodbye you always said one day you were going to leave but we didn't know it would be so soon. Daddy we know how much you loved us, but God loves you best. We are proud that God chose you to be our Father but most of all Our HERO!

We Love you Forever Nicole & Sabrina

Big Brother Ernest, you and Annette faithfully traveled to Boston Georgia EVERY summer to spend time with your family and friends. Who knew as we celebrated your birthday in March of 2022 5 months later in August we would lose Lillie Mae. Who knew as we celebrated my birthday in June of this year 5 months later we would lose you too Ernest. Although our hearts are extremely heavy, we can lean and depend on God for His continued love and know that He has His loving arms around us to comfort us in such a time as this. I can only imagine when Lillie Mae heard you were coming she told everyone her brother was on his way and for them to get ready for an extremely loud and joyous reunion. Our chain has truly been broken- but rest easy Ernest and Lillie Mae, for the remaining siblings (Willie Mae, Alberta, Frankie Lee, and Alice Faye) will all be together again soon. Forever in my heart.

Your baby Sis. "Faye".

For us it has never been like we were brother and sister we are , the connection we had was heaven sent . Your were one of my true Proctors until I see you again my loving brother rest in peace love you always

Erika



Pallbearers

Travis Dupree Michael Murray
Jermaine Swindle Chris Johnson
Timothy Grissett Eddie Atkins
Tony Atkins Justin Barnes

Honorary Pallbearers

Makahi Bowman
Frankie Lee Jackson
Maurice Grissett
Kenneth Grissett
Jessie Grissett
Alfonso Grissett
Erik Grissett
Anthony Thomas
Steve Edwards

Acknowledgements

The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation and sincere thanks for your prayers, flowers, cards and presence during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you.

The Family

Interment

Forest Lawn Cemetery Central
499 North West 27th Avenue
Fort Lauderdale, FL



Funeral Arrangements Entrusted To:

McWhites Funeral Home

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In Loving Memory Of

Ernest Atkins

Saturday, December 2, 2023
11:00 AM

New Coventant Deliverance
2404 North West 20th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

Obituary

Ernest Atkins was born March 13, 1958 in Boston, Georgia to the late Annie Laura Harper-Robinson and the late Lonnie McIntosh. In his early life he attended North Boston Elementary School. After the passing of his mother his late uncle Jimmie L. Harper and late Aunt Margie Harper moved him to Miami, FL in the early 1970s. He attended Madison Junior High and graduated from Miami North Western Senior High School in 1976. After graduation he was employed in Miami, FL. He later moved to Fort Lauderdale, FL where he lived with his adopted mother the late Thelma Jean Thomas. He was employed at Denny's restaurant for many decades he also worked at The German Bakery in Oakland Park, FL. for many years. He then met his devoted and loving wife Annette Grissett and later married on September 25, 1982. From their union came two wonderful daughters. He was a faithful member of The Christ Church of Universal Love in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

On November 22, 2023 he got his wings to be with his Lord and Savior. Ernest was very ambitious in everything that he did in his life. He was a family man with great faith and loved his family.

He leaves to cherish his loving and devoted wife Annette Atkins. Two daughters Superior Nicole Swindle (Jermaine) and Sabrina Faye Atkins (Chris). Three grandchildren Joy Swindle, Makalyah Bowman and Makahi Bowman. Three sisters Willie Mae Atkins, Alberta Jackson, Alice Faye Robinson (Garrett), Erika Mitchell (Tshombe). Two brothers Frankie Lee Jackson and Anthony Thomas. Two goddaughters Erius Massismo, DonSia Turner (Germinie) Two Godsons Timothy Grissett and Trenton Small. A special cousin Thelma Jean Murray one Father in-law Kenneth Grissett (Amelia). Two sister in-laws Gennette Kelly (Pastor D. Kelly), Kristi Sanders (Ronald). Brother in laws Kenneth Grissett, Jessie Grissett, Maurice Grissett (Elaine) Erik Grissett (Yolanda), Alfonso Grissett (Lamita Jo) preceded in death by his loving sister Lillie Mae Atkins and mother in law Louise Haughton (Enoch).

He leaves his special friends Alex Valenzuela Fort Lauderdale, FL. Paul Johnson of Boston, Georgia and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins one special Aunt Mary Edith Harper of Boston, Georgia. A special uncle Solomon Fletcher.

"You left this world but not my heart"

It was hard to press on paper these words to my honey. Words can't explain what I'm trying to say because I feel numb and almost lost. This is so hard for me, but one thing I know I asked God to give me strength from on high and he's doing just that God is so good. Honey you did not tell me that you had a flight to take because I didn't pack your suitcase. For you I would have done just that. So I was very upset you didn't tell me goodbye. You left me with so much stuff to remind me to hold all of your memories with love and grace. So I will keep the suitcase packed and take it with me everywhere I go until then. I see now this flight I had nothing to do with. So enjoy your flight I do believe that I will be alright your love will NEVER leave me.

Love always, "Honey" Annette



Order Of Service

- Officiant.....Minister Taylor Kelly
- Processional
- Final Viewing.....
- Invocation.....Superintendent Norman Jenkins
- Scripture (s).....Elder Andrew Jenkins
- Special Selection.....Lady Yolanda Butler
"Wind Beneath my Wings"
- Reflections.....Please limit 2 minutes
- As a neighbor.....Erma Leyva
- As a friend.....Paul Johnson
- As a Sister in-law.....Lady Gennette Kelly
- Encouraging words.....Pastor Adon Harper
- Selection.....Minister Sophia McCall
- Acknowledgements.....McWhite's Funeral Home
- Resolution.....Sister Sharonda Stanley
- Selection.....Linda Burr-Jackson
- Eulogy.....Pastor Darrell E. Kelly
The Christ Church of Universal Love
- Recessional.....