## **Casket Bearers**

Randal MillerJerry WilsonRomarro WynnAldridge JonesBill WilliamsJawonn Hymas

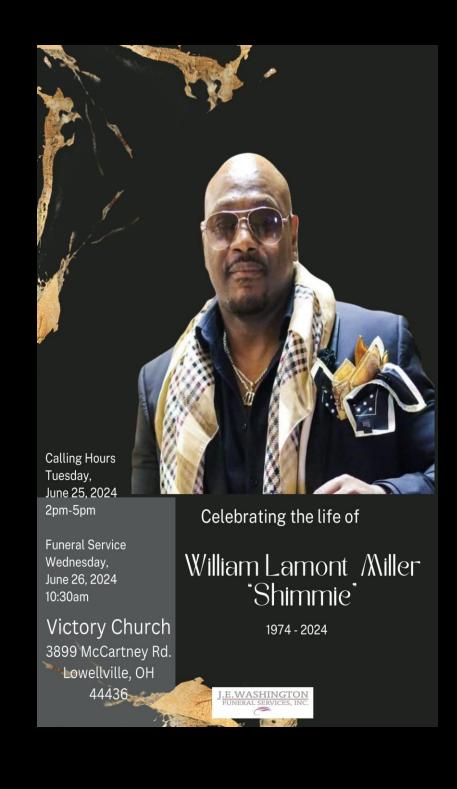
# Gratitude From The Miller Family

The community for the intentional acts of love and the outpouring of kindness which has been extended during this time. Special thanks to the J.E. Washington Funeral Services, the Victory Church, Michelle Drummond, and Tracy Wilks. In Shimmie's memory, may we strive to embody his unwavering commitment to family, his wisdom, and his ability to find joy in life's simplest moments.





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Celebrating the Life of William Lamont Miller Dr. Mark T. Jackson, Presiding

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Musical Prelude & Parting Viewing Sacred Text to Comfort - Rev. Lewis W. Macklin II

Prayer of Comfort - Rev. Michael Harrison

**Music Ministry – The Light Church** 

Poetic Expressions Jaiden Harris & Ghalaysha Sanders

The Life & Legacy of William Miller read silently Music Ministry - Min. Patricia Gandy-Baker

> Community & Personal Tributes Tracy Wilks Darnell Walker Elder William "Guy" Burney The Honorable Mayor Jamael Tito Brown

Music Ministry - ATionna Crues

The Words of Comfort & Hope - Dr. Mark T. Jackson

Committal & Cortege to Belmont Park Cemetery

### Benediction

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Community Repast at The Metroplex 1620 Motor Inn Drive • Girard, OH



## The Life & Legacy of William Lamont Miller

Tragically taken from us too soon, William's memory will forever live on in the hearts of those he touched. He loved sports, especially football and saw it as a vehicle to reach the hearts and minds of youth by engaging them in healthy competitive events. It cannot be expressed enough his affinity for the 49'ers

William was a member of the Light Church and engaged in outreach to area youth He served as the founder and executive director of the Will R.E.S.P.E.C.T. Foundation which created community anti violence programs. He also worked with the Youngstown City School District to engage conflict resolution strategies among scholars. As a community organizer through Building Freedom Ohio, William addressed the needs of returning citizens and reentry. He implemented the R.E.S.P.E.C.T. basketball league and was a program speaker for the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction. Shimmie created innovative events such as *From Beefin to Brotherhood, Barbers & BBQ*, and *Barbers Christmas Bash* as a community engagement specialist. He used the gift of communication to advance his cause such as his PROS & CONS podcast and his soon-to-be- released publication "*Ready Rock Boy*"

His dedication and passion for helping others shone brightly, which is reflected in the myriad of organizations he was a partner including *United Returning Citizens, Fatherhood Coalition, Youngstown Little Bears & Boosters, Village Mentoring, Save Our City, Beyond Expectations Barber College, Imaging Results, City of Youngstown's C.I.R.V. program, the YMCA, My Brother's Keeper, Youngstown Life Guard Academy, The Excalibur, the Academy of Urban Scholars High School, Kool Boiz Foundation, the OG Club, Safe Zone among the many noble organizations that he recognized as community treasures and assets.* 

William leaves behind a legacy of love and kindness, by his beloved parents and brothers Randall Miller, Jessie James Driver, and Rashad Riggins. His extended family includes Michelle Drummond and Katrina Davis who he considered as his sisters. His legacy will also be sustained by his best friends Darell Walker & Tracy Wilks and Romarro Wynn and Jasmine Williams who he considered as his children along with a score of family friends.

William takes his place among the ancestors and was greeted as he crossed the celestial shores by his bonus father Jessie James Driver, Jr., brother Terrence V. Driver, sister Akira Miller grandparents Reverend & Lauretta Miller, Allen Dixon Sr., Marie W. Dixon and uncle Greg Miller, all who preceded him into eternity. Forever in our hearts, William's spirit will live on, guiding us with his love and warmth. Rest in power, Shimmie!