## **Pall Bearers**

Ricky McQueen

Thomas McMillian

Narkey Terry, Jr.

**Daryl Douglas** 

William Campbell

Charles Johnson, Jr.

## **Acknowledgement**

Words cannot express how much we thank you for the expressions of sympathy, and all the help you provided us during our moment of sorrow. We are truly grateful for your friendship and support.

-Toni, Ananda, and Jenae

# Viewing

Thursday, May 7, 2020 from 10:30 am - 11:15 am

Reverend Mildred King, Officiating

Robinson Funeral Home

1313 6th Street NW

Washington, DC 20001



In Loving Memory of Anthony McMillian

December 3, 1968 - April 11, 2020

# **Obituary**

Anthony Bernard "Bern" McMillian passed away suddenly on April 11, 2020, in Clinton, MD. Anthony was born in Washington DC at DC General Hospital on December 3, 1968, to his parents Talmadge and Annette McMillian. He was born and raised in the DMV area; where he later went on to join the US Army shortly after graduating from Dunbar High School in 1987. He served eight years in the service and later obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Sanford-Brown College.

Anthony was a great man with a big heart.
Anyone graced with his presence would agree.
His smile was infectious; he was the type of person who always found something to smile about, no matter what the circumstances may be. He was loving, kind, generous, and respectful. He was a walking angel here on earth. Anthony enjoyed spending time with his children, grandchildren, family, fiancé, and friends. He was loved by many near and far.

Anthony leaves behind three daughters; Toni McMillian, Ananda McMillian, Jenae Conliffe, and two granddaughters; Aubrei McMillian and Royalty Covington. A fiancé; Darbi Dickerson. Four siblings; Thomas McMillian, Theresa McMillian, Debra McMillian, and LaTroka Brown. Thirteen nieces and nephews; fourteen great-nieces and nephews and four best friends, Ricky McQueen, Andre Lewis, Keith Childs, and William "Pete" Hoston.

Anthony's life will forever be cherished in the lives that he has left behind.

#### **Order Of Service**

Entry Musical Prelude – Dance with my Father "Luther Vandross"

Poem – Jenae Conliffe

Scripture Reading - Romans 8:37-39

Selection – I'm Just a Nobody "The Williams Brother"

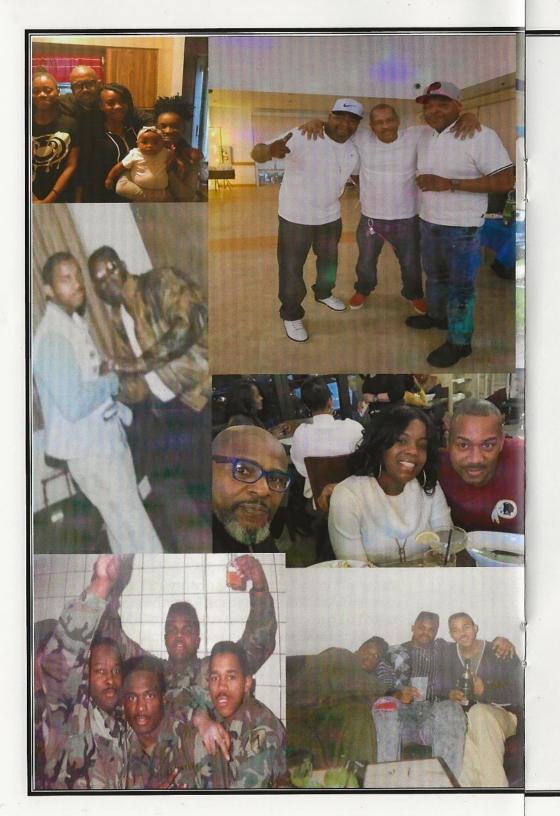
Scripture Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4:14-17

Personal Tributes

**Obituary Reading** 

Selection - Stronger "Mary J Blige"

Moment of Silence



Anthony and I were together for two years but we knew from the first day we met that we were meant to be. We immediately talked about marriage and combining our families together. He had the biggest heart and was willing to give his last to anyone that asked. My memories of him will always be he was a great man, father, son, uncle, cousin, and friend. I will forever love him.

-Love Darbi (Fiancé)

Thinking of the times we had together, from hot summer car rides as a kid to us recently being at auntie's house and laughing at you sharing memories of your childhood. Still can't believe you're not here. I'm forever grateful to have been able to call such a man of good character, uncle. Thank you for being fun, loving, even mannered and never fault-finding. You will never be forgotten and forever in our hearts.

-Neshia (Niece)

I'm pacing around my room trying to find the right words to say my last goodbye but the overflow of tears are getting in the way. I can sit here and say how smart, loving, caring and funny you were but that would do no justice. I can sit here and tell stories about what life was like having you as an uncle but that also wouldn't do any justice. They had to know you to experience what a blessing you were. My angel. Our angel...my heart aches knowing what you left behind. The sudden pain and hurt that you've caused. I am EMPTY. And as much as I want to give up...I have to be strong because you wouldn't want it any other way. I will continue to keep your legacy alive and flowing. First there was five and now there is four - I love you, Unc. Please hug Granny B and Treau for me.

- Shawn (Niece)

If you didn't know him, you missed out. Anthony, A great man, dependable, and overall A great and loving father. Bern as we know him always gave his last. Whether it was food, money, an ear, finger, or leg. Bern was willing to do it just to make everyone happy. He was always RTG (Ready to Go) no matter what the situation was he was always there. He carried himself with class and dignity. Though he is gone and never forgotten, he leaves us, his three beautiful kids and a fiancé' to remember him by. Our family would like to thank all who has shared memories or sent their condolences. In my lasting words as Bern would say to Me and Nark, "Slim I love you and I'm proud of you keep your head up and keep pushing to be better". RIP uncle Bern.

-Love June (Nephew)



Bern was my brother and my heart! We went through some trials and tribulations, but we always came out on top. He had a heart of gold. I will miss my brother. I love you Bern!

-Debra McMillian (Sister)

He was my heart from the gate. I remember when he was in nursery school, carrying him on my back. Until his last breathe the greatest brother on earth.

-Theresa McMillian (Sister)

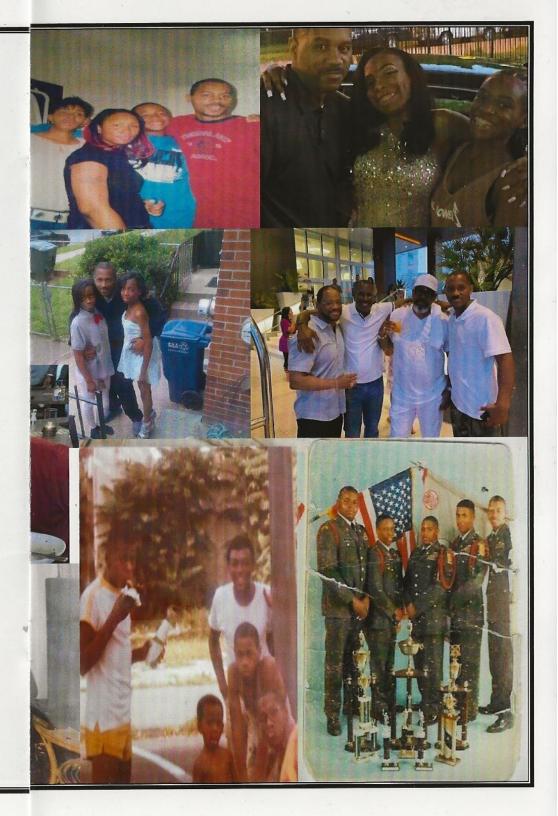
Since I could remember my uncle Anthony was the one person who spoke life into me. 30 years of telling me how smart and beautiful I am, showering me with love and encouragement, and being the epitome of joy over everything. Good or bad, right or wrong he reminded me I'm greater than my circumstance. His words were the steppingstone to empowering me to be the confident, outspoken, and fearless woman I am today. As I journey into motherhood, while I wish he were here to love my child; I'm grateful to have received the kind of love he gave me so I can pass it along to my child. You will certainly be missed uncle.

-Love Pookie Poo (Aasya, Niece)

Anthony Bernard McMillian, MY DUDE! Uncle Bern was one of the most coolest/Loving person I know. Always made sure, if he was good his nephew was good.

-Love Nark (Nephew)

Anthony McMillian, Uncle Bern is what I called him. I had the honor of being his first niece and in my heart a fourth child. You knew it was going to be all the way LIVE when he came to any event and you better had the food ready. He was a dedicated and loving father to his three biological daughters and his adopted children as well. An uncle with high standards for his ten plus nieces and nephews, I guess that's where I get my high expectations from because he didn't say for "no", "I can't" and "I won't"... a respectable cuss out would have been the next thing out his mouth. A soldier who sacrificed years of service for our Country and always a giver when available. Our Zoom video call asking to speak with each one of us from siblings down to your great nieces and nephews. Who knew that would be our last moments with you. I summarized the call from a caring man that you "Never meant 2 cause us any sorrow, you never meant 2 cause us any pain, you only wanted one more time to see us laughing, only wanted to 2 see your family laughing in the purple rain" ... Rest easy uncle Bern ... we love and miss you forever and always -Love LaToyia Hampton (Niece)



Uncle Bern, aka B-Nard, is what I'll always remember you as. Our last conversation you told me "Net Net what's up with school you finishing or you backing out" my response to you "I don't know for real" You said to me "Net if your uncle Bern don't tell you nothing else remember this, JUST BE A BETTER VERSION OF ME, in a female form." Uncle Bern, I thank you some much just for being you nothing more. Astonishing, loving, encouraging even when you felt weak, you still managed to uplift others...God knows I need to hear you say, "Nette TELL KENNY IMA WHOOP HIM WHEN I SEE HIM! HE PLAYS TO MUCH! ALWAYS TALKING JUNK!" Writing this saying hurt me to the core. Goodbye.

-Love Bald head Nette (Niece)

R.i.p Uncle Bern, I love you for being in my life. You were there when my mom had me, and you were always fun with Braylon and me and the kids & now we have grown up. I am a basketball player. Braylon is a soccer player, so know you will always be in my heart and head when I'm playing basketball. I am going to look up and say I am doing this for my uncle I am going to drop 46 points for you now you're not here it is just a sad because when my mom say we going to see the family I won't see you anymore. I can't ask to see my uncle and stuff so R.I.P -Love, Kenny Jr (Great Nephew)

#### My Brother

As kids, we lived together

We fought, we laughed, we cried. We did not always show the love, which we both had inside. We shared our dreams and plans, and some secret too.

All the memories we share, is what bonds me now to you.

We grew to find we have a love that is very strong today, it's a love shared by our family that will never fade away.

You are my brother not by choice, but by the nature of our birth.

I could not have chosen a better one you best on earth. Missing bruh.

-Love Erv (Brother)

It's sometimes hard to know why some things happen as they do, for so much joy and happiness was centered around you. It seems so hard to comprehend that you're no longer here but all the happy memories will help to keep you near

I love you - Dad, Lorean & Latroka

Unc, I miss you deeply. I will always love you and cherish the moments that we did have together. The boys and I was blessed to have you as an Uncle. Your pure love and kindness will always be unwavering. For I know that you will protect us and you'll always be near us. When we meet again, I look forward to sitting down with you to talk about things that you'll miss. I love you my sweet uncle.

-Love Tay (Niece)

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free, I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard his call, I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, to love, to work, to play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the close of the
day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My Life's been full, I savoured much, Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch,

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.