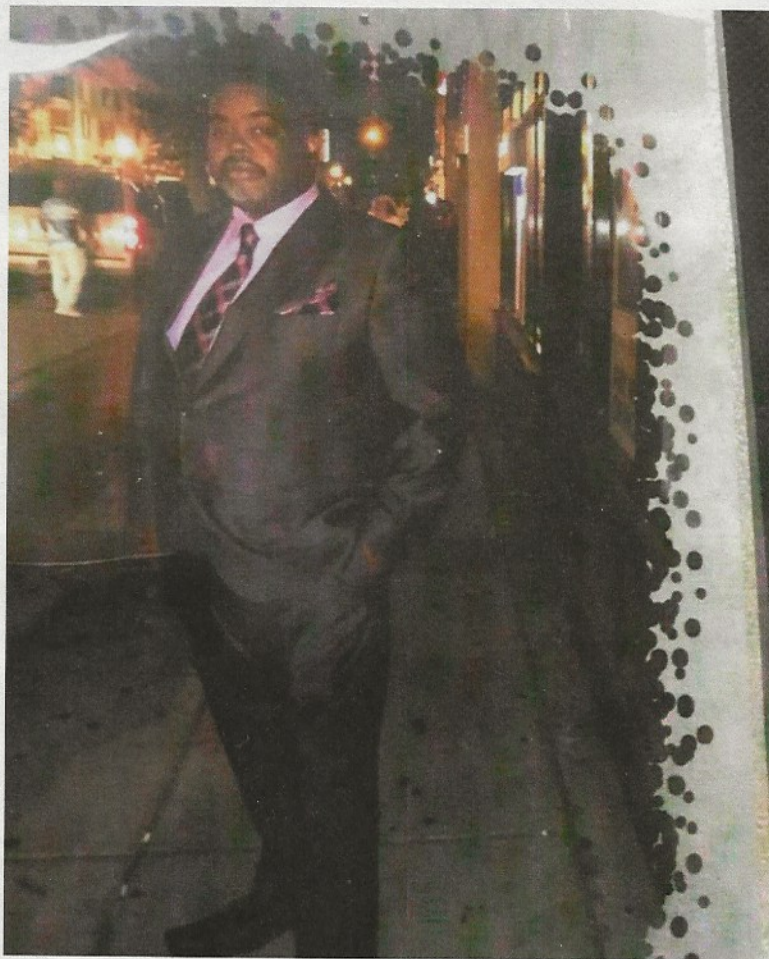


*Celebration of Life*  
*For*  
*Rodney Ricardo Chiles Jr.*

*Sunrise: November 22, 1978*

*Sunset: September 18, 2021*



*Wednesday, October 6, 2021*  
*Viewing 10:00 am*  
*Service 11:00 am*

*Robinson Funeral Home*  
*1313 6<sup>th</sup> Street NW*  
*Washington, DC 20001*

## Obituary

*Rodney Ricardo Chiles Jr. A beloved father, son and friend born November 22, 1978 to the late Rodney Chiles Sr. and the late Donna Chiles. "Bear" as he was affectionately called passed away on the evening of September 18<sup>th</sup> due to a short battle with COVID-19. Baptized at a very young age, Rodney worshipped with his grandmother and siblings at the Grace Memorial Baptist Church.*

*Rodney began his education at Orr Elementary School in South East, Washington D.C. He then attended Hine Junior High school where his love for music flourished. He learned to play a number of instruments however, the drums were his thing! Rodney joined the Hine Marching Band. He practiced day and night and even walked around with drum sticks in his belt loop. He performed at many events and parades; one in which was an honor. He performed for President Bill Clinton's inauguration. He continued his education at Eastern Senior High school where he was also a member of the Eastern Blue and White Marching Machine and the Z-28 Drum Squad. Rodney spent his senior year and graduated from Anacostia Senior High in 1997.*

*Rodney later attended and graduated from ACT Applied Career Training as a Certified Dental Assistant. For the next three years, Rodney worked at both the D.C. Jail and the Washington Navy Yard Dental Department.*

*Rodney's passion for music just wouldn't die, so he began playing drums for various bands with different genres, from jazz and gospel to R&B and GO-GO. Rodney was versatile and he often filled in for bands last minute. Anyone who called, he was there; snare, sticks and throne ready to go. Rodney formed the Black Love Band and Show in which he was extremely proud of. Some of the members of our most prominent GO-GO bands today got their start with the Black Love Band. "Chiles" (what the boys called him) loved those young men. Not only was he their manager, he was their mentor. He kept their energy positive and genuinely wanted them all to succeed and become the best musicians they could be.*

*The three C's Cooking, Children and Cars. Rodney loved to cook and knew his way around the kitchen and grill. From an early age Rodney watched his grandmother cook and the gift just came naturally.*

*Rodney was a very proud dad. Eric, Daizah, Angell and Brooklynn were the "True" loves of his life. Proud is an understatement of Rodney's feelings for his children and he often bragged about their many accomplishments and milestones to everyone. He had a special name for each of them. "E", "MA", "Babe", and "Brooke Da Baby"*

*Rodney had a special interest in cars. He has owned quite a few. One of his favorites was his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Mustang. He enjoyed watching Gas Monkey Garage, going to car shows and raising his ticket at auctions. This quest led Rodney to enroll in Lincoln Technical Institution where he studied to become an Auto mechanic. Always wanting to work for himself Rodney decided to rent a garage and began to build his shop. He started buying and selling used cars, fixing them along the way. He took pride in the finished product.*

*Rodney was loved by many and will truly be missed.*

*He leaves to cherish his memory four children: Eric Chiles, Daizah Chiles, Angell Chiles and Brooklynn Chiles. Four brothers: Anthony Chiles, Matthew Dickens, Eric Kenon, and D'Angelo McNeil; One sister: Monique Chiles; his Godparents: Tina and Odell Carter, Godbrother: Gerald Berry and a host of relatives and friends.*

*Order of Service*

*Reverend O'Dell Carter (Officiating)*

*Opening Hymn*

*(Scripture Reading)*

*Old Testament -Isaiah 25*

*New Testament-Revelations 21:1-7*

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Musical Selection*

*Reflections (2 Minutes, Please)*

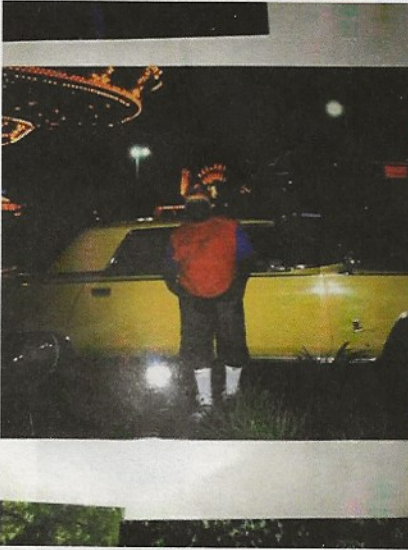
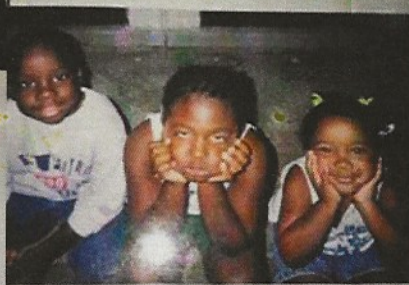
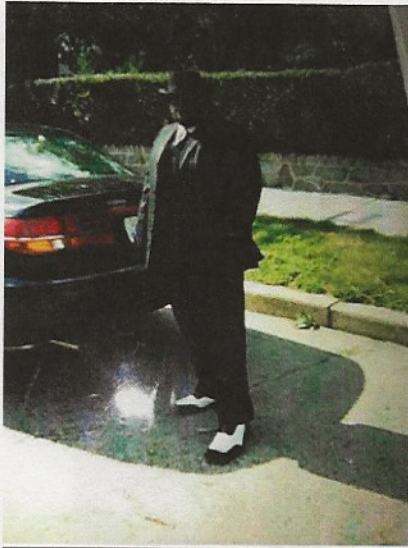
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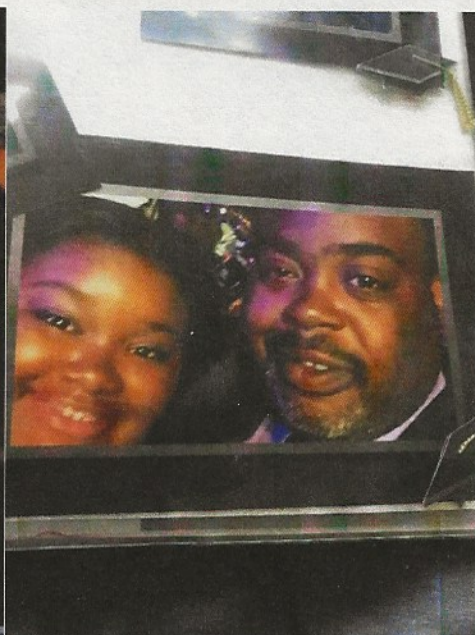
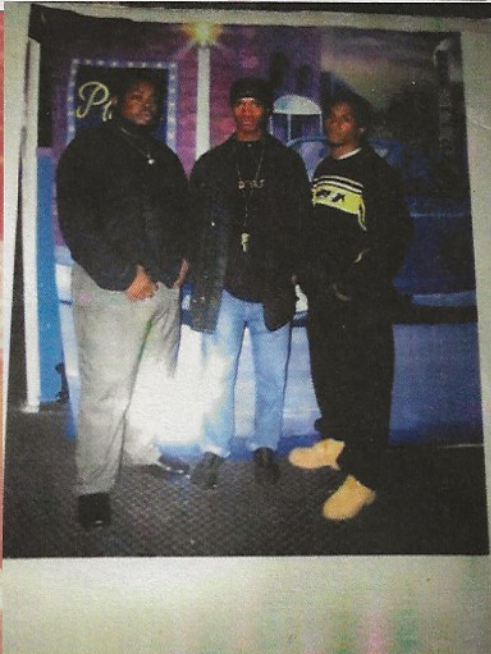
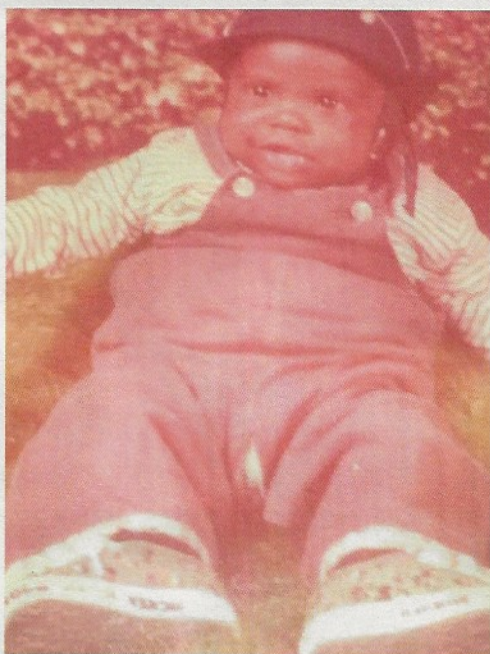
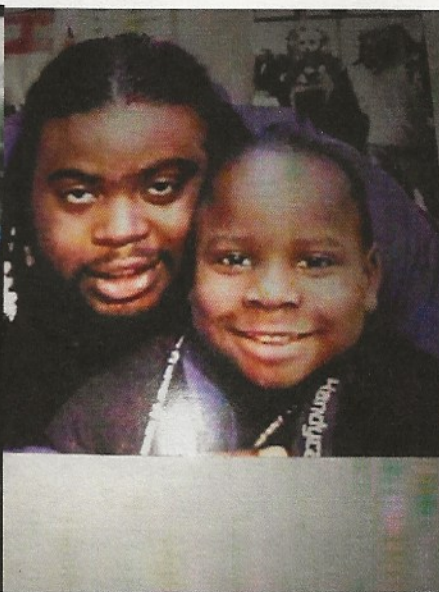
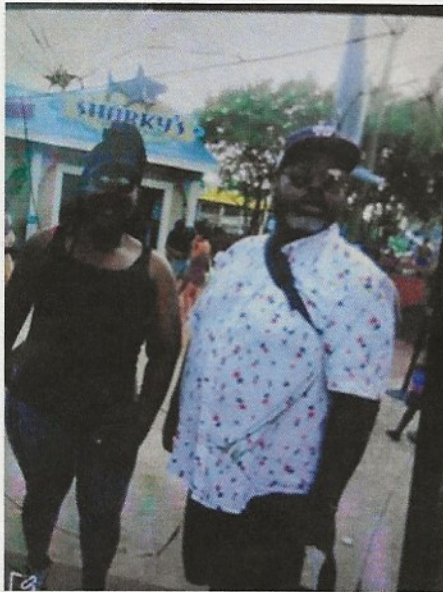
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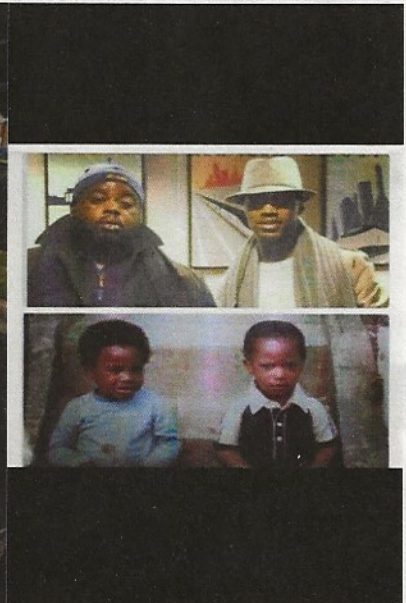
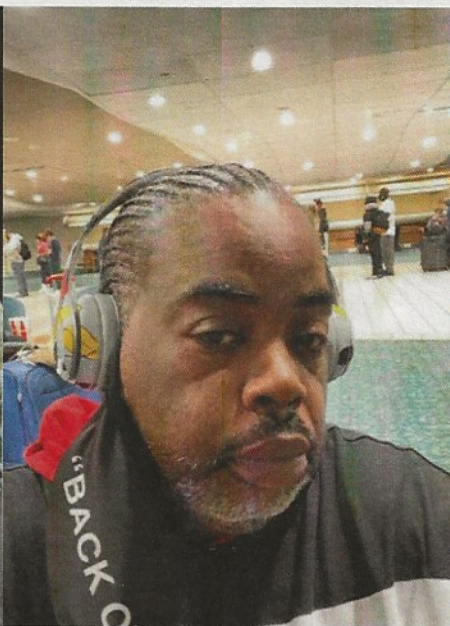
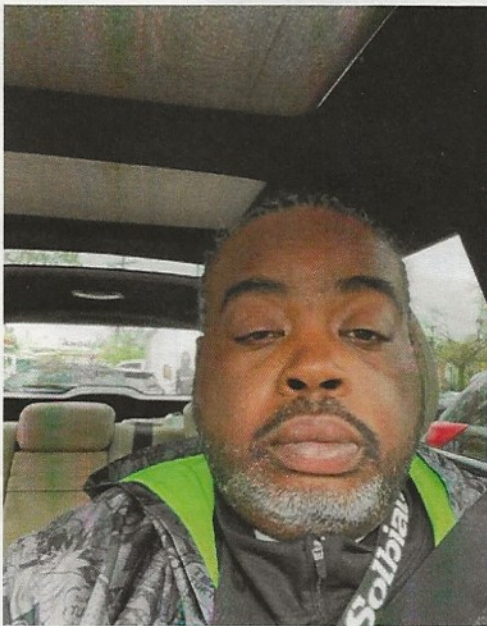
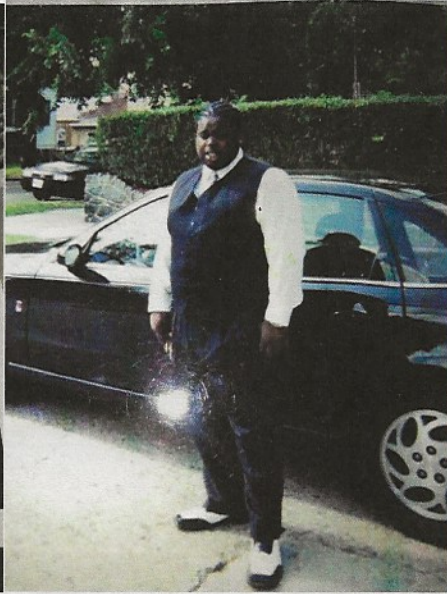
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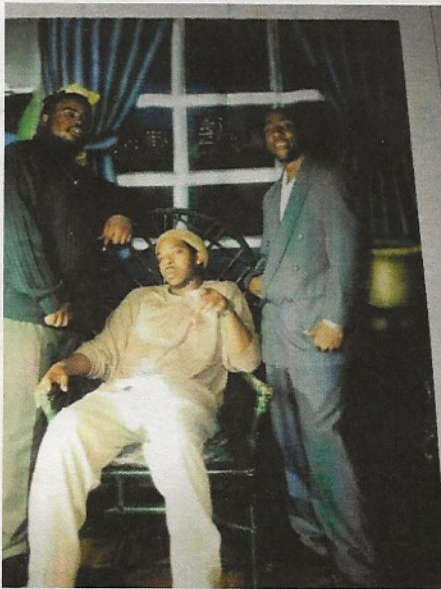
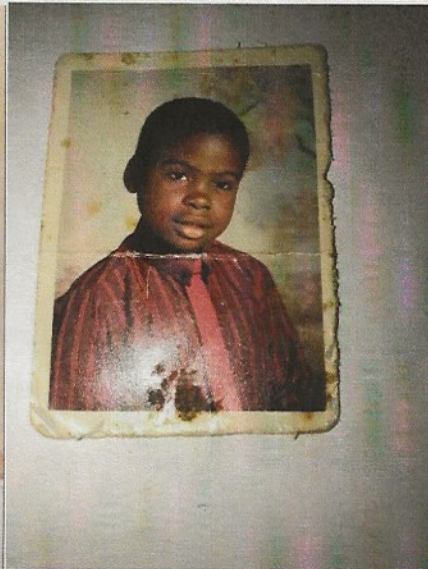
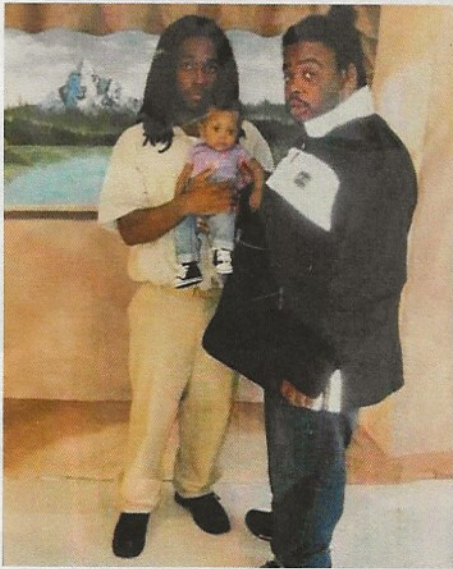
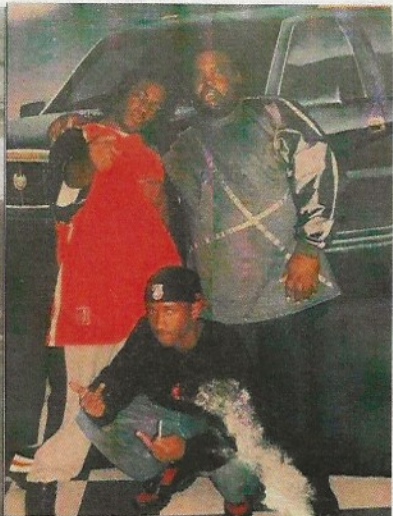
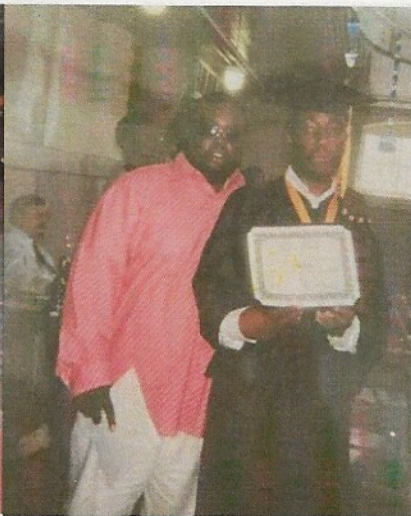
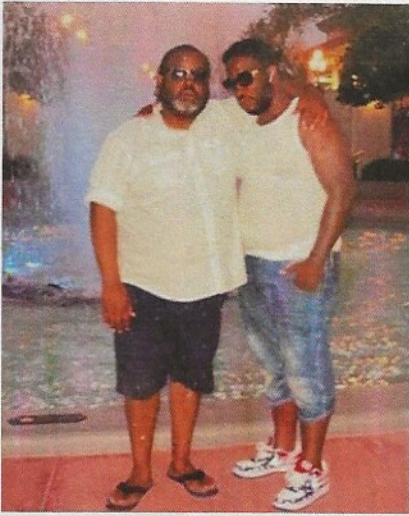
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*There's a place for you and me  
A place that we all hope to see  
We go through life day by day  
Picking and choosing, making our way  
We make the mistakes we all have made  
Walk in the sun, when we should seek the shade  
But that's what life is all about  
You live your life and find things out  
We go alone, we do our best  
To live this life 'til we can rest  
God gives no more that we can stand  
He'll reach down and extend his loving hand  
He will not let us continue to roam  
He'll tell his children "Come on home."*

*~The Family~*



*Acknowledgements:*

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