

Remember Me

Speak of me as you have always done.
Remember the good times, laughter, and fun.

Share the happy memories we've made.
Do not let them wither or fade.

I'll be with you in the summer's sun
And when the winter's chill has come.

I'll be the voice that whispers in the breeze.
I'm peaceful now, put your mind at ease.

I've rested my eyes and gone to sleep,
But memories we've shared are yours to keep.

Sometimes our final days may be a test,
But remember me when I was at my best.

Although things may not be the same,
Don't be afraid to use my name.

Let your sorrow last for just a while.
Comfort each other and try to smile.

I've lived a life filled with joy and fun.
Live on now, make me proud of what you'll become.

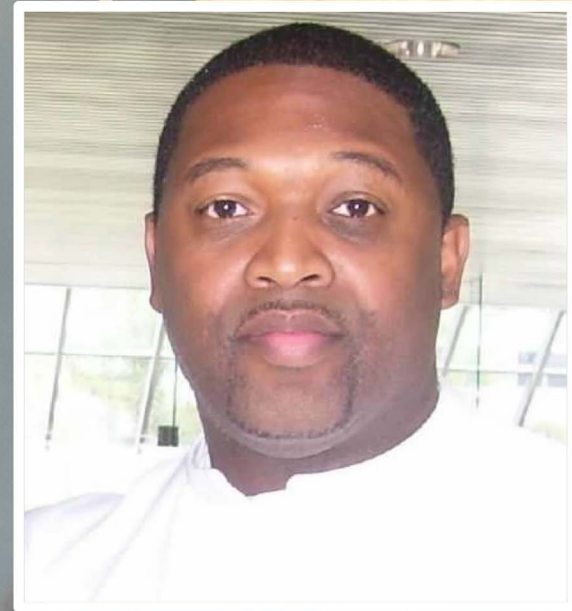
Acknowledgements

Our family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to us during this time of bereavement. May God bless you.

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James Hunt Funeral Home
126 Ridge Avenue
Asbury Park, NJ 07712

A CELEBRATION OF

Life



RASHEN SHAREEF BENTON

Sunrise Sunset
July 18, 1974 - July 23, 2019

August 3, 2019 | 10:00 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church
313 Third St., Lakewood, NJ 08701
Pastor Michael A. Barnes, Officiating

Order of Celebration

Procession..... Clergy and Family

Call to Worship..... Pastor Michael A. Barnes

Scripture Readings

Old Testament | Psalm 37:37-40 KJV..... Pastor Samuel L. Fowler

New Testament | Romans 8:33-39 KJV. Elder Celena Fowler

Prayer of Comfort.....Elder Linda Jackson

Selection

Acknowledgements and Condolences..... Starlet Johnson

Remarks from Loved Ones (2 minutes each)

Brianna Barnes

Kenyere Jabbar Craig (Kosean)

Wayne Benton

Reading of Obituary..... Pastor Shelley Barnes

Selection

Eulogy.....Overseer Roderick Allen

Closing Remarks.....Pastor Samuel L. Fowler

Benediction..... Overseer Roderick Allen

Recessional..... Clergy and Family



Obituary

Rashen Shareef Benton transitioned to eternal rest on July 23, 2019. He was born to Patricia VanHorn (Savage) and Wayne Benton on July 18, 1974 in New Brunswick, NJ.

Rashen grew up in South Toms River, NJ and was educated in the Toms River Regional Schools system. He graduated from Job Corps in 1992. Rashen's career passion was in car dealership sales and management. Every place he lived – New Jersey, Kentucky, South Carolina, and Georgia – he landed a job in the business.

Rashen loved sports and was on the wrestling and football teams at Toms River North High School. He was a die-hard fan of the Ohio State Buckeyes and Dallas Cowboys football teams. As a member of the Pop Warner football coaching staff in Louisville, KY, he also experienced the joy of teaching his son Caleb about his favorite game.

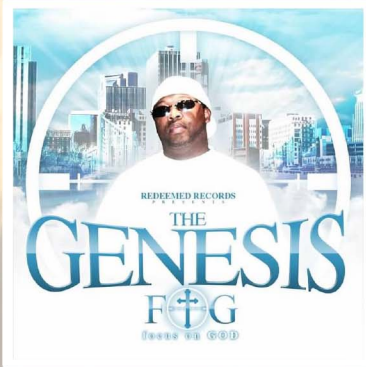
During his membership at Unity Deliverance Ministries (UDM), Rashen came to know and experience God like never before. In 2007, he became a licensed minister under UDM and Kingdom Fellowship Covenant Ministries. That same year, he combined his love of God and music to record his first rap CD – The Genesis | Focus on God – which is his prolific testimony of God's saving grace. He enjoyed collaborating with others on the project, including Harold Stallworth, Jr. Rashen's music inspired so many as he shared his gift in forums small and large, including The Muhammad Ali Center in Louisville, KY.

All who encountered Rashen knew him to be a vocal, expressive, talented, fun-loving, friendly, cool brother who could connect with anyone.

Rashen was blessed with sons Raesean Malik in 1994, and Rashen, Jr. in 2000. He was married to Billie-Jo Coleman for 12 years, and to their union, Ryan, Caleb and Sarah were born. Rashen was incredibly proud of his five children.

Rashen is preceded in death by his infant daughter, Rahjanae Benton, his step-father, Elder LeRoy Savage, and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

Rashen is survived by his children – Raesean Benton of Jacksonville, FL, Rashen Benton, Jr. of Lakehurst, NJ, Ryan, Caleb and Sarah Benton of Louisville, KY; his mother, Overseer Patricia Savage of S. Toms River, NJ; his father, Wayne Benton of Myrtle Beach, SC; his siblings Denice (Waine) Worthy of S. Toms River, NJ, Samuel (Celena) Fowler of Bayville, NJ, Shelley (Michael) Barnes of Brick, NJ, Charles Scott of S. Toms River, NJ, Monique Fowler of S. Toms River, NJ, and Michael Cashe of Philadelphia, PA; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends to cherish his memories.



Remembering Rashen

