

Acknowledgements

For every kind word of consolation, every warm and encouraging embrace, every card or other expression of kindness, we thank you. It is of great comfort to us that you cared enough to share in our sorrow.

Pallbearers

Eric Allen
Kelvin Allen
Hosea Crisp
Ricky Knox
Michael Hunt
Ke'Vin Woods

Interment

Antioch Church Cemetery

5320 Whiteville -Newcastle Road
Whiteville, Tn 38075

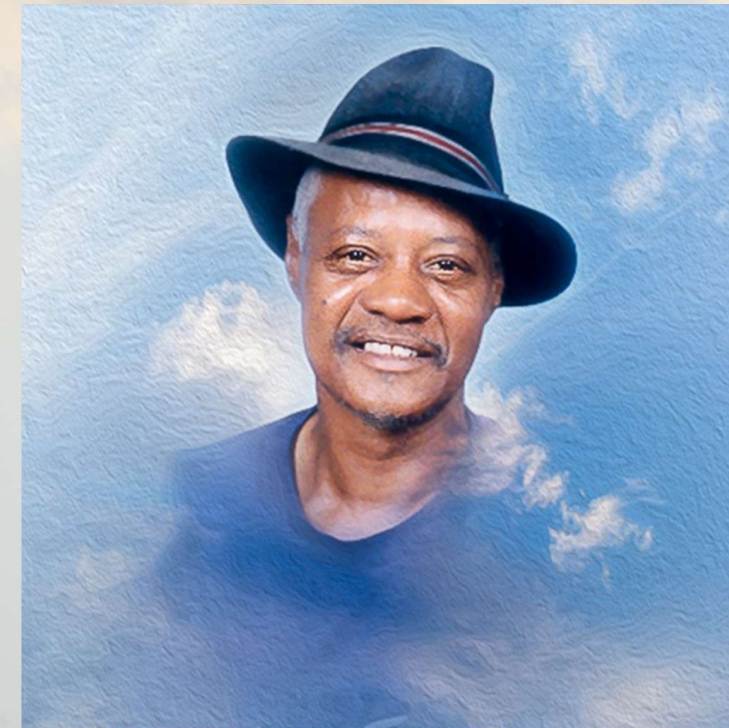
Service Entrusted to:

Dixie Funeral Home
750 Bills Street, Bolivar Tn 38008

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Celebration of Life

Robert Lee McGuire



January 29th, 1946 - January 11th, 2022

Saturday, January 22, 2022

Viewing: 12:00 noon to 1:00pm
Homegoing Service: 1:00pm-2:00pm

Rev. Earnest Polk

Order of Service

Scripture old/new Testaments..... Reverend Shon Beasley
Prayer..... Reverend Shon Beasley
Selection..... Reverend Earnest Polk
Reflections (2 minutes please)..... Family & Friends
Selection..... Steve Joy
Obituary..... Brenda Woods
Selection..... Eloise Richardson
Eulogy..... Reverend. Earnest Polk

Reflections from His Children

For my Father: A Passage in Time
By Bernetta Taylor McGuire

In the passage of time a warm smile remembered
I close my eyes to see you held my hands
Twirling, whirling, footloose and fancy free
Legs that slid in a split!
World could not contain you
I laughed out loud with glee

In the passage of time I recount the melancholy rhythm of the blues
In a ramshackle clapboard house on an old road you took me to
We breathed it as long as forever

In the passage of time I recall encouraging bits of wisdom
Dotted here and there upon the angst of youth
I hold dear the words that comforted me
Thank you father

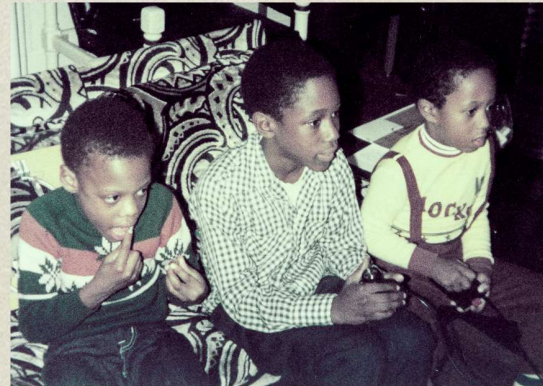
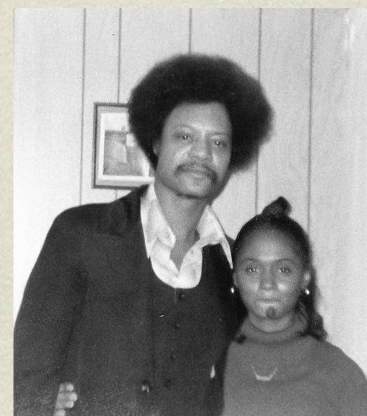
In the passage of time I reflect on days gone by
And though my heart sorrows
I find solace in knowing one day
I will walk on clouds as white as snow
And be with you again in heaven

In loving memory of a man who lived boundlessly

"A little while, and you will not see me: and again, a little while,
and you will see me, because I go to the Father"
John16:16

From: Ephron, JaKedrick, Natora, Zipporah, Daiwan

A limb has fallen from the family tree
We will remember you by your smile, stride, laughs, jokes, and definitely your companionship
You had for us as well as others
Thank you for being our father, friend and "GOAT" Bob T Main
You were the realest!!
You are loved beyond words and missed beyond measure
Until we meet again
Your children



Robert Lee McGuire Obituary

Robert Lee McGuire was called home to the Lord on January 11th, 2022. Robert was born January 29th, 1946 in Whitesville, Tennessee to the late Mary Herron McGuire Neely and Edward "Doc" Murphy McGuire. He was the youngest boy of nine siblings of whom the following preceded him in death Noble Lee McGuire (infant), Willie Ray "Doc" McGuire and Willie Neely, and bonus son Taiwan Obey.

He was educated in the Hardeman County Public School and in 1960 graduated from Allen White High School. Robert was a good student and a quick learner. He was affectionately called Big Man, Bob T and Bob T Main.

Like many southerners during that time, Robert migrated to the North to seek better opportunities as well as escape the racist culture that prevailed in the south. He joined his sister Rose and brothers Ray Doc, Odell and Uncles James and Ernest Ray as well as dozens of cousins in Queens, New York. He was employed by UFI Services (a linen delivery service for movie stars and wealthy New Yorkers) for eighteen years. Movie stars such as Joan Crawford, Bette Davis and many others would engage in great conversations with Robert during his weekly linen drop off. He received very nice gifts and personalized autograph photos from these movie stars.

Robert enjoyed socializing with his family and friends. He was a master story teller and would have people sitting on the edge of their seats in complete awe. In addition, he loved going to the beach to swim in the ocean. He thought he could dance maybe better than Michael Jackson; he loved music and singing along with the records (vinyl) in complete harmony with the great R & B singers of the time. He was a competitive pool player and would enjoy hosting bi-monthly card parties. Robert was a frequent concert goer he loved attending concerts especially at the world famous Apollo Theatre in Harlem, NY; Al Green, Intruders, Dells, Curtis Mayfield and the Impressions, Chi Lites Four Tops, Spinners, Temptations and the Delfonics he would even inch up to the stage and if they would allow people to sing into the mic Robert would quickly accept.

Walking around Manhattan people would stop and ask him if he was a Temptation and he would say yes. He liked playing jokes on people he had a great personality and frankly he could work the room.

In 1968 he met and fell in love with Mary Moore and married two years later and from this union three sons were born, Robert, Dalvin and Christian. Robert's daughter Bernetta became their bonus older sister and daughter. Robert moved back to Tennessee in 1988 and helped his sister Iola "Bea" to care for their mother and her husband Ernest. He was employed at Western Mental Health as an Aide and then at Conley & Frost.

In 1993 he met Linda Richardson, a loving partner of 29 years, and from this union two sons were born; Ephron, JaKedrick in addition he was a bonus dad to Natora, Zipporah, Daiwan and Taiwan (deceased).

Robert is survived by his wife Mary McGuire of Atlanta, GA; daughters, Bernetta Taylor-Mc Guire, Bronx, New York; Carol McGuire Cleveland, OH ; sons Robert, Dalvin and Christian McGuire Atlanta GA; Ephron and JaKedrick McGuire of Bolivar, TN; daughters Natora and Zipporah Richardson; son Daiwan Richardson. Grandchildren Teja, Tyral, Reyn, Rio, Rose, Ryjuan and great grandchildren, three sisters, Rose Hill, Boston Massachusetts; Iola Allen, Memphis, TN; Myrtle Jarrett (Horace), Bolivar, TN; two brothers James Jones, Bolivar, TN; Odell Neely, Queens, New York (Daisy) brother in law Willie Eufaula Al (Mary); Aunts Florence Blaylock, and Pearl Vaught both of Memphis TN; and one Uncle Oscar Murphy Somerville, TN and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and very special friends, Joe Taylor; Dianne William; Jan Barbour; Tommy Watson, Hosea Chris, KarMeko and La Kendra.

If Robert could look back and speak with us from his life experiences he may say listen to Curtis Mayfield and The Impressions "KEEP ON PUSHING".

