

Don't Grieve For Me

Don't grieve for me, from pain I'm free
I'm following the path God has laid, you see.
I took his hand when I heard his call
I turned around and left it all.
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I found the peace on a sunny day.
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A family shared, a laugh, a kiss
Oh 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've savored much,
Good family, good times, a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seem all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and peace to thee.
God wanted me now; From pain I'm free.



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In Loving Memory



Bruce Edward Carter Jr.

Sunrise
August 10, 1980

Sunset
December 7, 2021

Homegoing Celebration

Friday, January 28th, 2022 at 11:00am
Emmanuel Temple
1033 N Sumner Street, Portland, Oregon 97217





Bruce Edward Carter Jr.
 was born August 10, 1980, in Portland, Oregon to the union of Bruce and Esther Carter. He was known dearly by his family as 'Bruce', 'Tooda', and 'Old Dude'.

He started school at the early age of just three years old, attending AMA Early Childhood Preschool. Throughout his academia he attended both Vernon and Irvington Grade Schools, Fernwood Middle School, and graduated from Madison High School in 1998. Bruce continued his education the following year at Portland Community College, where he studied information technology.

Bruce had a strong love for the Lord. He became a member of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church when he was very young. He was passionately dedicated to his assignments in the church. He sang in the choir, attended Sunday School, participated in plays, and played the drums. He was often invited to perform at weddings and other churches. He was known to blow the roof off with his drumming expertise. His passion for drumming developed at the age of sixteen after sitting and learning all through his primary years, from his father, Bruce Carter Sr. His dad was the drummer for various groups - Pleasure, Kenny G, and many other local bands.

Bruce was loved by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him. He would light up any room he entered. He was always cracking jokes and making everyone around him laugh. He was a huge fan of the Portland Trail Blazers. He enjoyed getting season tickets and watching the games in person with his parents. He would debate with anyone about the fact that the Blazers could have a comeback from any loss.

Bruce was called home December 7, 2021. He is preceded in death by his dad, Bruce Carter Sr.; grandfather, Rev. Ivory J. Nicholas; grandmothers, Maude E. Nicholas and Ireliia Cunningham; uncles, David R. Nicholas and Jimmy Jackson; and godparents, Andy Stokes and Debra Roper.

Bruce leaves to mourn his loving mother, Esther M. Carter; aunt, Amy Riggins; uncles, Ivory J. Nicholas, Joe Nicholas, and David Riggins; as well as a host of cousins and many, many friends.



Order of Service

- Officiant.....JW Friday
- Musical Prelude
- Processional.....Clergy & Family
- Opening Prayer.....Pastor Sean Hicks
- Scripture Readings.....Old Testament.....Ivory Nicholas Jr.
 New Testament
- Musical Selection“I Shall Wear a Crown”Elder Mark Hardy
 Pastor Angela Turner
- Expressions (Limit 2 Minutes Please).....Family & Friends
- Slideshow Presentation
- Reflections of Life.....Laquasha Hall Thompson
- Musical Selection.....“I Won’t Complain”Joshua Nicholas
- Eulogy.....JW Friday

Pallbearers

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| Michael Nicholas | Romar Riggins | Isaac Mott |
| Wesley Johnson III | Rob Williams | Marcus Pernell |

Honorary Pallbearers

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| Larry Riggins | Jimmy Nicholas | Benjamin Poindexter |
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