

Pallbearers

Tracy Gardner Dexter Cameron Rodney
James Gardner Zod Wilcox

Flower Attendants

Family & Friends

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16)

Words of Appreciation

During this trying hour, the support of friends and family has been one of the sustaining elements that holds us together. With heartfelt gratitude, the family of Derek 'DJ' Jackson Levy would like to acknowledge all expressions of love and support during our great loss. We say thank you for ALL of the numerous acts of kindness and love you have shown. Thank you for each visit, call, text, prayer and every thoughtful expression given to us. Because you've shared the burden that seemed so heavy, it is much lighter to bear. Our prayer is for the blessings of God to be with you and remain now and forever.

*A special Thank You to Ms. Brenda 'Joyce' Johnson
LOVE, THE FAMILY*

Repast will follow services TBA

Services Entrusted To



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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Derek "DJ" Jackson-Levy

Sunrise May 2, 1969 - Sunset Sep.29, 2021

October 16th , 2021 at 11:00 am
Greater Refuge Temple
1317 Rowe Ave., Jacksonville Fl. 32208
Apostle Dr. Gentle L. Groover sr., Sr Pastor

Obituary

Derek "DJ" Alward Jackson-Levy was born May 2, 1969, in Jacksonville, Florida to the late Evelyn J. Gauldin-Jackson & John Levy. DJ was only five years old when his mother passed away. He was then raised by his grandmother, Fannie Howard (deceased); aunt, Cornelius 'Dolly' Byers; uncle, Larry Byers; and aunt, Sylvia Wills. DJ attended Charles W. Elliott Elementary school in Pasadena, California and graduated from William M. Raines High School in Jacksonville, Florida, class of 1987. After high school, he proceeded to teach himself many skills from automotive mechanics and carpentry to construction and electrical, just to name a few. DJ was the "Jack of all trades" and there was nothing he couldn't do or fix. He was a helping hand to everyone who knew him and the one you could call whenever in need. DJ passed along his knowledge willingly to anyone who would receive it.

DJ had a deep love for all his family, and he shared his love with the wife of his youth, Jacqueline L. Gardner. Together, they raised three amazing sons, Derek Jr., DeWayne and DeAndre Jackson. Then, in 1994, his little princess Denecia Jackson was born, and she was the apple of his eye. DJ was a loving, caring and supporting father to his children, grandchildren and probably your children too. He loved nothing more than talking and spending quality time with them and ensuring that their needs were met. DJ was the most affectionate, warm-hearted and laidback person that you could ever imagine. He was dedicated, loyal and full of patience; a gentle giant that never lost his cool no matter the situation. DJ was tactful and a perfect gentleman all while remaining calm during the storms. He took delight in finding ways to keep us safe out of harm's way and loved, despite his own battles. DJ was a skillful handyman that could operate and restore anything he touched, even your heart. He was a giver of his advice, space and time and very respectful to all, no matter their age. DJ was always cheerful and sentimental, spreading love, truth and wisdom to brighten the day of all he encountered. If you had the pleasure of knowing him, you knew that... HE LOVED YOU, AND THERE WAS NOTHING YOU COULD DO ABOUT IT!!!!

Derek A. Jackson-Levy was unlike any other and he touched the lives of so many. He will forever be missed and will live in the hearts of all his family and friends. DJ is survived by his children, Derek A. Jr. (Ciarra), DeWayne Sr. (Shayla), DeAndre and Denecia; stepchildren, Brionna and Mario; 17 grandchildren, Derek D. Sr., Daniel, Danielle, Davion, Detric, Destiny, Desirea, De'One, DeMonei, Wynter, DeWayne Jr., De'Kari, DeOnna, Devyn, Jada, Ja'kalya, Diamond, Quinton and Elijah "Diego"; 1 great-grandchild, Derek D. Jr.; second mom, Cornelius "Dolly" (Larry); siblings, Fannie, James Lee, Larry Jr. (Danielle), LePaul (Wendy), LaLisa, Marcus, Nicolas, Tiffany, Rashad and Ahmad; god daughters, Sha'lisha and Angelina; uncles, aunts, a host of beloved nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

Memories To Cherish



"Gone But Not Forgotten"

Memories To Cherish



Remembering you will be easy,
I'll do it every day
Missing you will be the heartache
That will never go away.
Love, Your baby girl

The time we had, Dad,
Wasn't nearly enough
To pack in an entire
Lifetime of love.

There are so many questions
That we need answers to,
But now that you're gone
There's no way to ask you.
But there are still photos
To remember you by,
Each time we look at them,
We still want to cry.

They say grief is easier
to bear as time goes by,
But that doesn't stop us
from wondering why?
Why our dear, sweet dad
Was taken so soon,
When he was our guiding star,
Our sun and our moon.

There are no answers
To a question like this,
So we'll cherish your memory,
And mourn the years we'll miss.

We will always LOVE you, Your Children



You can only have one grandad
patient, kind and true.
No other friend in all the world
will be the same as you.
When other friends forsake you
to granddad you will return.
For all his loving kindness
he asks nothing in return.
As we look upon his picture
sweet memories we recall.
Of a face so full of sunshine
and a smile for one and all.
Sweet Jesus, take this message
to our dear grandad up above.
Tell him how we miss him
and give him all our love.

Love, Your Grandchildren



Memories To Cherish

My son Derek, always loving, always giving
throughout all your living.

You chose me, to care to love
So many you had, a blessing from above.
A special place in my heart you hold,
A pain now there, only God controls.
The time you have, may end tonight.
One heartbeat away, that's all it takes
Your joy, your life, it has escaped.

Don't be sad, but how can I not.
When I think of you, the pain does not stop.
This journey, I never wished to take.
God's will be done, make no mistake.

Love, Ma



Memories build a special bridge
when loved ones have to part
to help us feel we're with them still
and sooth a grieving heart.
Our memories span the years we shared
preserving ties that bind,
they build a special bridge of love
And brings us peace of mind.
Although our lives' journey has bid us to be
apart. I am with you, you are with me, always
in my heart. I promise to continue to take
care of our family, the Jackson-Levy crew.

Always, Jackie