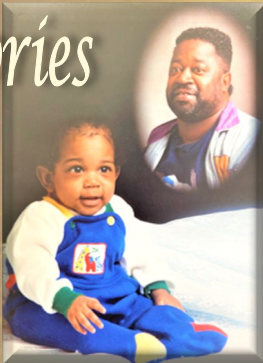


Precious Memories



A 17th Century Prayer

Lord, thou knowest better than I know myself that
I am growing older and will someday be old.
Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say
something on every subject and on every occasion.
Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs.
Make me thoughtful but not moody; helpful but not bossy.
With my vast store of wisdom it seems a pity not to use it all, but
Thou knowest Lord, that I want a few friends at the end.
Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details;
give me wings to get to the point.
Seal my lips on my aches and pains.
They are increasing and love of rehearsing them
is becoming sweeter as the years go by.
I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales
of other's pains, but help me to endure them with patience.
I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility
when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others.
Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.
Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a saint-some of them
are so hard to live with-but a sour old person
is one of the crowning works of the Devil.
Give me the ability to see good things in unexpected
places and talents in unexpected people.
And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so.
AMEN.



PALLBEARERS

Rodney Boyd	Maurice Scott
Darryl Williams	David Rollins-Boyd
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NOVEMBER 30, 1953

Sunset
MAY 17, 2020

THURSDAY, MAY 28, 2020 11:00A.M.
Visitation 9:00a.m. - 11:00a.m.

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Scripture Reading

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgement of Cards, Telegrams

Condolences

Special Words

from Jonathan Boyd

READ BY RODNEY BOYD

Life Reflections (*Read Silently*)

Selection

Eulogy

BISHOP MICHAEL JONES

Closing Prayer

Recessional

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LIFE REFLECTIONS

GARI MICHAEL BOYD was born November 30, 1953, to the union of Norlene and Robert L. Boyd. He was the eldest of nine children. His brothers, Gerald and Steven, preceded him in death.

Gari (Mike), as his family lovingly called him, lived a full life. He was a hardworking man. He graduated from Sumner High School, attended Harris Stowe College, and earned a degree in Automotive Technology from Forest Park Community College.

Gari enjoyed careers of more than twenty years at the American Can Company and the City of St. Louis in the Equipment Services Division. He retired from the City of St. Louis in January of 2020. He also owned Budget Lawn and Rehab Services.

Gari had many friends and touched the lives of those he encountered. He enjoyed spending time with his family, classic cars, tailgating, and attending sporting events and concerts.



He departed this life on May 17, 2020.

Gari leaves to cherish his memory a beloved son, Jonathan; step-daughter, Rosalyn; mother, Norlene; sisters, Carol, Cynthia, Candace, and Christy; brothers, Dale and David; brother-cousin, Darryl; special nephew, Rodney; special friends, Eric, Maurice, Bud and Anthony; and a host of loving friends and relatives.

A Legacy of Love

