Special Tributes

My words can't truly express thoughts and feelings when it comes to speaking about Anthony Cooper. You could say a million things about him "good and bad" because he was a person that's been through it all and lived a tuff life. For years, I walked side by side with him in this struggle and through it all, he never stopped smiling or trying to find a way to make me smile. "Coop" as I fondly called him had an over the top personality, a very loud voice and an undeniable presence but, more than that, he had a very big heart with nothing but love and loyalty in it. To everybody that's reading this, if you're hurting a little because of his passing, you should dry your eyes and smile because he wouldn't want you to be doing anything else. Rest in peace to my Fat Buddy "Big Coop". I love and miss you already Bro.

## LOVE, De Sharin Johnson (AKA - Cee)

Lost within my own mind, wondering why love and pain seem to be encircled as one of the same, I mean I'm feeling love but, yet still feeling so much pain. Tears drop in thoughts of what was, remembering the smiles and laughs shared and reflecting on our comradeship. Brothers forever, family until infinity falls before the eyes and even then you'll be my dawg. So, watch over us while you mingle in heaven being the crazy loving you. Continue to live thru Kelli and us all, there was none like you "Big Coop".

SALUTE BRO., Derelle Pinner

(AKA – Chi, brother in the struggle)



The family of **ANTHONY LETROY COOPER** acknowledges with sincere appreciation and

gratitude for your continued prayers, comforting words and expressions of kindness during this time of bereavement. Your love and concern has been a great comfort and a source of consolation. May God continue to bless each of you.





## Life Reflections

**ANTHONY LETROY COOPER** was born February 5, 1976 in St. Louis, Missouri to Octavia Moore-Cooper and Gregory Washington Hart who preceded him in death. He was the youngest of five children, his eldest brother, Adrian L. Cooper, and sister, Aretha Washington, also preceded him in death.

**Anthony** attended St. Louis Public Schools and he received his high school diploma.

In April of 2006, *Anthony* met the love of his life, Kelli Wilson. On March 19, 2015, they were married and enjoyed four years of love as husband and wife.

In July of 2018, **Anthony** gave his life to the Lord, and he received the gift of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Later, in March of 2019, he was baptized in the name of Jesus for the remission of his sin.

He enjoyed expounding in the word of God with his wife and with anyone else that would talk about the Lord. *Anthony* loved God, family and he valued loyalty. He was proud about his love for God and he really loved his wife and made sure everyone knew it. Anthony was a very happy person and he loved to hug people. Anthony enjoyed telling jokes and singing, even though his wife didn't think he was very good at either of them. He had a big personality and was a very dramatic person.

Anthony departed this life on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 and he leaves to cherish his memories: his loving and devoted wife, Kelli Cooper; his two children, Janarrika Jackson and Anthony L. Cooper, Jr.; grandmother, Kate Hart; father and mother-in-law, Cedric and Gail Wilson; three sisters, Sandra Walker, Marquita Cooper and Natasha Cooper, all of St. Louis, Missouri; four brothers-in-law, Robert (Heather) Wilson, Jr., Reginald Wilson, Randy (Sarah) Wilson and Ryan Wilson, all of St. Louis, Missouri; two sisters-in-law, Kandas Mosby, of St. Louis, Missouri and Kenosha (Ralph) Moore, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends as well as a host of brothers in the struggle.

Anthony also had a special family whom he fondly remembered by nicknames: Sandra Gardner (Aunt San), Janea Gardner (Woo), Ariel Gardner (Ari-ooh, ooh), DeShaun Johnson (Bucket Head), Rosie Johnson (Momma Rosie), Chermeka Greer (Meka-mook), Yvonne Davis (Big Sis), Kyna Rufus (Ms. Dee), Avis Chandler, Michelle Brummer (Momma-Mi Mi), Jasmin Washington (Goddaughter), Michelle Bailey (Minister Bailey) and Gary Hill (Minister Hill).

## Celebration of Life

MASTER OF CEREMONY MINISTER MICHELLE BAILEY

PRAYER ELDER RON STEPHENS

SCRIPTURE ELDER RANDY WILSON

SPECIAL REMARKS (Limited to 2 minutes)

SOLO MINISTER NIKKI BANKS

SPECIAL REMARKS (Limited to 2 minutes)

**LIFE REFLECTIONS** (Read silently with soft music)

SOLO MINISTER NIKKI BANKS

EULOGY ELDER GREGORY GARDNER

BENEDICTION

Cremation

Repast
BAUCOM'S LOWER LEVEL