

*Celebrating the Life of  
Henry Bernard Hayes*



*Sunrise: July 27, 1948*

*To Glory: September 28, 2020*

*Saturday- October 03, 2020 -3:00 pm  
Baucom's Life Celebration  
9480 Lewis & Clark Blvd.  
St. Louis, MO 63136*

*Officiating Minister Roderick Gilliam*

# Life Reflections

*Henry Bernard Hayes was born July 27, 1948 in St. Louis, Missouri to Brunell Hayes and Veola (Miller) Hayes. He was the first born and eldest child of 7 children. Henry was preceded in death by his father, Brunell, and one daughter Dacia.*

*Bernard (as his wife affectionately called him) was educated in the East St. Louis School District 189. At age 16, Bernard went to Gary, IN where he completed his junior and senior years and graduated from Emerson High School in 1969.*

*Bernard accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord Savior in 1971 and attended Church of God in Christ Church under the leadership of Elder Clark. He later joined the Ark of Safety Christian Church under the leadership of Pastor Raymond D. Horry.*

*Bernard worked in the Steel Mill in Gary, Indiana. Bernard always had a passion for carpentry and architecture, which lead him to attend Carpentry School where he received his degree from the Carpenter's District Council as a journeyman carpenter. He worked for several construction companies as well as operated his own construction company (HBJ), rehabbing & building homes. Bernard also worked as a soda truck driver for 7-Up Company. Bernard was a diligent worker who was a jack of all trades. Bernard was united in holy matrimony on January 1, 1987 to Mona Lisa Smith. To this union 2 children were born (Monica & Lil Bernard).*

*Bernard was a happy go lucky kind of man and he lived life to the fullest. Bernard was kind of a jokester and he could make you laugh so hard until tears would come to your eyes. Bernard loved to skate, BBQ, travel and spend time with his family. Bernard was a sharp & stylish dresser and was very meticulous about how his clothes looked on him. Bernard knew know stranger, he would talk to everybody. Bernard was loved by so many and he just had this kind of charisma that attracted people to him no matter where he was at. Bernard later became ill which led to his retirement. Bernard never lost his faith in God. On September 28, 2020 at 6:15 am, Bernard closed his eyes and peacefully transitioned to glory to see our Heavenly Father.*

## *Cherishing His Memories and Works*

*Bernard leaves to mourn his passing and cherish his memory, his loving & devoted wife, Mona Lisa, his mother, Veola Hayes, three brothers, Larry (Cheryl) Hayes of Aurora CO, Darrin (Felicia) Hayes of Arlington, TX, & Greg Hayes of E St. Louis, IL. Three sisters, Gwendolyn Wilkes of St. Louis, MO, Bonita Renee (George) Dortch of E. St. Louis, IL & Patricia Hayes of Florissant, MO, Nine children, Derrick, Trecie, Darwin, Melinda, Lena, Christiana, Ralonda,, Monica & Bernard. Two bonus children Corey Smith & Kimyatta Brent; 17 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, 8 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.*

# *The Eulogistic Order*

*Welcome & Introduction*  
(Minister Roderick Gilliam)

*Prayer of Comfort*  
(Minister Roderick Gilliam)

*Old Testament Scripture Reading*  
(Evangelist Lynette Murphy)

*New Testament Scripture Reading*  
(Bonita Renee Dortch)

*Solo*  
(Minister Kathy Horry)

*Acknowledgement of Cards & Condolences*

*Solo*  
(Minister Kathy Horry)

*Tributes*  
(Family Members & Friends-2 mins)

*Words of Comfort*  
(Pastor Raymond D. Horry)

*Parting View*

*Closing Prayer*



## *Family Memories.*

*My Dad was cool. A good example of how to live your life to the fullest. When I think of my Father a smile comes to my face. Some of the endearing qualities I have come from him. He was charismatic, sharp-witted, warm-hearted, and stylish, a leader, and a teacher to name a few. My Dad has taught me many things, to be kind, to be independent, and to do what I love, and to honor God. A very complex being as we all are, we had good times and bad times. But through it all he always remained positive, had fun, and kept his faith in Christ Jesus. My Father always wanted me to be healthy, happy, and to enjoy life. Pops, I love you. Thanks for always allowing me the freedom to grow and be my own individual. Thanks for all the love and support. I know you're eating something sweet and looking down on me hoping for nothing but the best. Love Henry Bernard Hayes, II (Lil Bernard)*

*Daddy, who told you to go see Jesus? You last told me God said, "He loved you not take you!" (Lol) Daddy you fought a good fight! I will always cherish your words of love and discipline (I have the whelps to prove it lol) I watched you conquer many things growing up and you are truly are a reflection of 1 Corinthians 16:13 "Be on your guard stand firm in your faith and be courageous and strong." You were always on your guard and stood firm on your position with your opinion and stood strong on your philosophy and beliefs. Thank you for teaching me how to cook, wash dishes and develop a love for architecture. I am able to pass down your knowledge and wisdom and can even incorporate some of your carpentry tips to my students. I want you to know that the day I get married I know you will be with me in Spirit. I remember I use to ask you Daddy "Where you going?" and your reply would be "Diddywaddiddy." Now I ask the question again, "Where do you think you're going today?" and I know your response will be "I'm going to be with both my Fathers in heaven as I wait on you my daughter, but until then live your life to the fullest." Love you Daddy - Monica*

*Life is but a stopping place a pause of what to be; a resting place along the road, to sweet eternity. We all have different journeys, different paths along the way; we all were meant to learn some things, but never meant to stay. Our destination is a place, far greater than we know; for some the journey's quicker and for some the journey's slow. And when the journey finally ends, we will claim a great reward; and find an everlasting peace, together with the Lord. Our Dad lived life like this. He always had a smile. Love Lena, Lonnie & Christina*

*To our eldest brother who lead his siblings into incidents of mischief as a child and who was always loving and protective of us. We will miss your jokes, your infectious laugh and all that you have given us. We will always love you and hold you in our hearts. Love Larry, Gwen, Pat, Darrin, Renee & Gregg*

## *A Mother's Tribute*



*To my first born and special son, Henry: You will be missed & I will continue to carry you in my heart as long as I live. Love Your Mother, Veola*

### *A Wife's Tribute*

*Wow, what can I say Babe, we had a whirlwind of a romance and a very eventful marriage relationship, but through it all we tried to maintain the vows that we took before God. Was our marriage perfect, "No", but it was eventful. I remember when we first met and how it seemed that instantly we were drawn to each other and became one. We did everything together (skating, movies, trips out of town, family gatherings). We were a love that lasted for all times. No one may not have understood our love, but that's okay because we knew what we meant to each other and that was all that matter. The days when we would laugh so hard until tears came to our eyes, the trips we would take up and down the highway on a whim will be well remembered. I love you Henry Bernard Hayes with a love that I can't explain. Even through the hard times, I knew I would always love you and be there for you. Remember at the Ark of Safety Christian Church they called us the "Tuesday Night Special" (lol) or when I would ask you "What you doing" and you would always answer "Waiting on you." The days of moonlight skating and eating breakfast at Denny's are memories I will cherish for a lifetime. And let's not forget our song, "Heavenly" by the Temptations which you remembered until the end. As the song goes, "Love between you and me was heavenly, that's how love is when it's by your side, simply heavenly." I could go on and on because we had 40 years of memories we shared. Bernard (as I've always called you), I will miss you so much and my love for you will forever stay in my heart as you take your rest with our Lord & Savior Jesus the Christ. It's not "goodbye love," but it's "see you later." Love Your Wife, Mona Lisa*





*God saw you getting tired  
And knew we would all weep  
When he took you from us  
As you transitioned in your sleep  
A Golden heart stopped beating  
Tired legs that needed rest  
God called you home to prove to you  
He only takes the best*



## *ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS*

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