

*It is hard to realize, but it's true
that our battle for the prize must go on without you.
But you finished your task the other day,
folded your tent and went away.
You left us; yes, you left us, and this we cannot undo.
And while you cannot come back to us,
We're glad that we can come to you. They tell us the record will show
that you died the other day;
But from the record, we will show you did not die,
you just went away.*



To Our Family and Friends

You did not hesitate to show your strength. For we were weakened with our loss. We wish to thank you each and everyone for your support, and we pray God's continued blessings upon each of you.

Thank You!

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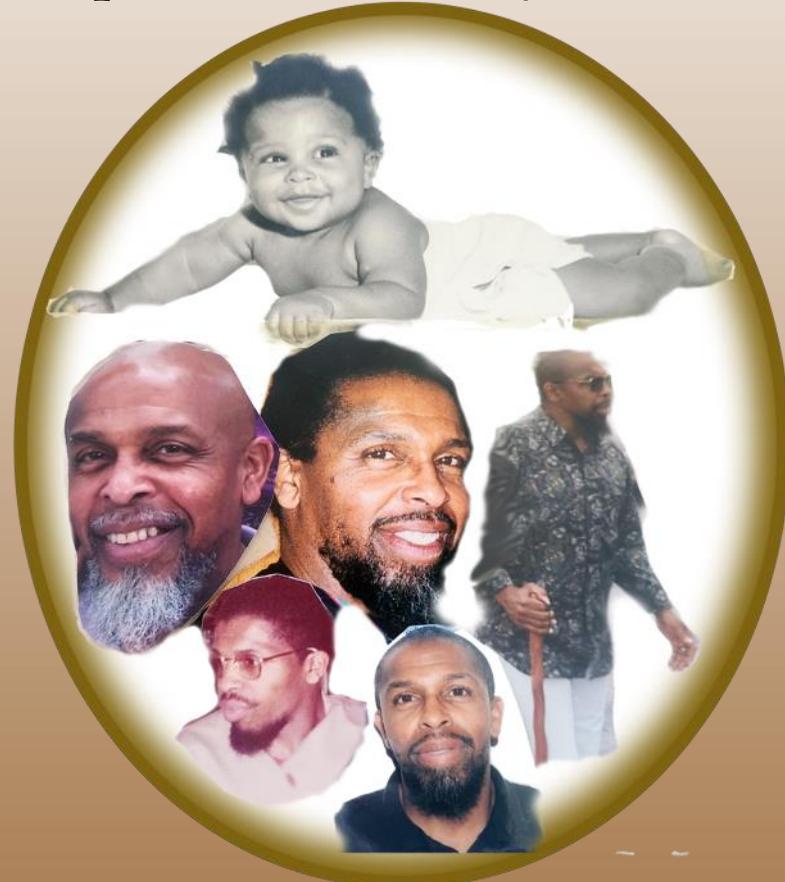
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A Celebration of Life

for

THEODORE WESLEY MURRAY

April 18, 1948—May 29, 2020



AKA "BABA"

His Life

Theodore Wesley Murray Jr., departed this life on Friday, May 29, 2020. Ted, affectionately known as "BABA" was born in Bronx, New York on April 18, 1948, Parents Grace O'Loughlin and Theodore Murray, Sr deceased. Growing up in Queens, New York was challenging at times, but with his big sister Elsie by his side they were and continued to be a force to be reckoned with. Ted was drafted into the Vietnam War during 1968, which would become the experience of a lifetime.

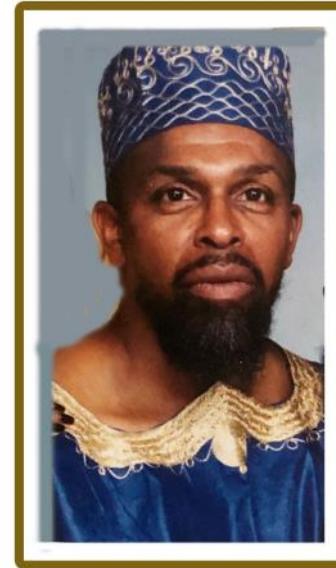
Ted specialized in Computer Technology working a total of 37 years within the Tech Industry (Digital Equipment/Compaq/Hewitt Packard/SAIC/BAE Systems) retiring as a Systems Engineer due to health issues. Ted enjoyed watching black/white movies & basketball, listening to music of the 60's, playing chess, drinking brandy aka brown, and having long conversations with his buddy Jermaine.

Conversations with Ted could be like listening to "Yoda", lots of wisdom when you finally figure out what he meant; "Stupid Fix; Can't" is what he would say, meaning Can't Fix, Stupid. While talking to and/or about his granddaughters, Ted's eyelids would puff up (we would say his eyes were laughing/smiling); they brought him so much joy! Ted would always say, "Women are the seed of Life", and must be respected at all times.", which he instilled in each of his daughters and granddaughters.

Ted's happiness derived from his everlasting marriage to his best friend Yolanda aka "Nneka". Ted's home-going causes tears to flow because we will miss his physical presence, please forgive us Lord for wishing he was here. It's hard to give up someone we have come to love so dear.

We shall rejoice and thank God for a life of cherished memories.

Ted is survived by his devoted wife of 30 years, Yolanda; his sister Elsie (Winston); Daughters: Lanette (Warren), Nica (Jarrell), Njeri, Monifa; Son: Jawara ; Granddaughters: Jazmin, Camille, Journi, & Asha; Niece: Jneen; Nephews: Bill Jr. & Conroy; In-Laws: The Walkers, Clay's Turner's, Lawson's, Hines, & The Vincent's; extended families; Shon/Owen, Kevin, and Friends.



"BABA"

Ted called his health issues, "The Alien", when he prayed this was his prayer. To the Creator, the Creative Force that has put all of us here. Your power is above all of ours. Help us to put your design ahead of ours; in our limited, as opposed to your infinite sight. Give us the courage and intelligence to meet our needs. Forgive the injustices we do to others. Help us to avoid distraction and deliver us from the destructive forces within and outside ourselves. For the world of total reality is yours not ours. Whatever power we have comes from you, that is the source of all our accomplishments. Amen

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
Walking the path God laid for me.
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,
To laugh, work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found peace, where pain can no more touch me.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things, I too, will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you joy for your tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and share with me,
That God has set me free!

It Is What IT IS IT IS DONE!

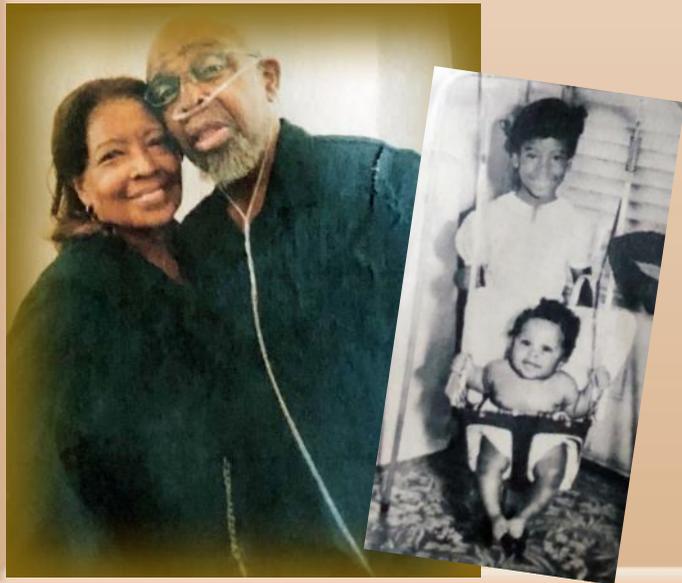
Memories



MY HEART, IT WHIMPERS BADLY AT THE THOUGHT THAT YOU ARE GONE BUT THINKING OF YOU IS WHERE I GET MY STRENGTH TO CONTINUE TO PRESS ON.

BABA, REST IN PEACE AND KNOW THAT I'M OKAY REMEMBERING THOSE SPECIAL MOMENTS THAT WE BOTH SHARED. I'M GOING TO MISS YOU.....

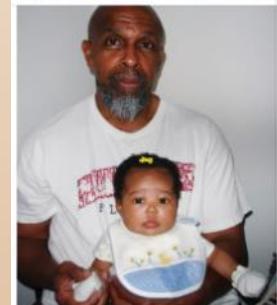
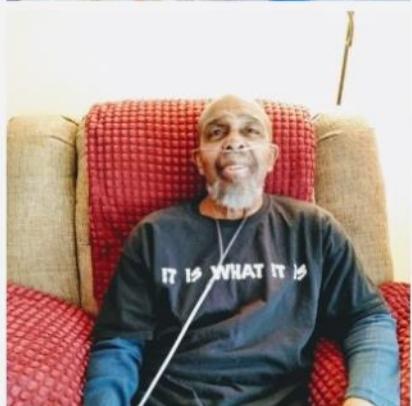
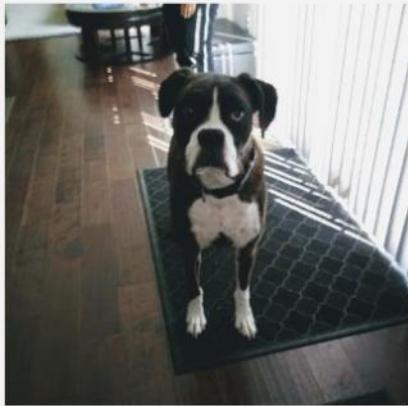
**YOUR WIFE,
YOLANDA**



MY BROTHER, I LOVE YOU EVERYDAY AND NOW I WILL MISS YOU EVERYDAY

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