



Joseph Hamner

August 17, 1941 - April 5, 2020

Joseph Ellis Hamner Jr., A beloved Father, brother and friend went on to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Sunday April 5, 2020. After a courageous fight with Cancer and other age appropriate ailments, Joseph departed to take his rest in the City of God.

Joseph was born August 17, 1941 in Tuscaloosa Alabama to Oma Lee (Woods) Hamner and Joe Hamner Sr. At an early age his parents and family moved to Lackawanna, NY where he spent his formative years. As a child he showed great promise, intellectual prowess and drive to be successful. He excelled in his educational pursuits and didn't stop until receiving his MBA from Boston University.

His career spans from his employment at Rhetta's Poultry Market in Lackawanna, NY where he was known as " The Priestman," to retirement as a Senior Manager at M & T Bank Buffalo, NY. His banking career is marked by many illustrious achievements such as being the 1st African American to manage the main office of Buffalo Savings Bank. His leadership abilities afforded him to serve on many community boards. The signature of his leadership was he always wanted to find ways to make life better for all people. Whether that meant better customer service, better quality products or better overall conditions. For Joe Hamner what mattered most was quality and values.

November 1965 Joseph married Judy A. Botley, to that union was born Sedrick and Cheron. With tenacity and profound determination Joseph intentionally modeled Fatherhood. He was a protector, provider, Priest, cheerleader, coach, instructor, mentor, taxi driver, and friend as he was determined to be the best dad he could be.

Joseph loved the Lord, his family and life with gusto. He was a man of commitment, thus making every moment spent with family and friends special. His love for preachers made him "ArchBishop", his love for his sisters Dorothy, Delores, and Claudette, made him "Ellis" or "LSD". His love for friends made him "Pop", and his love for people in general made him a instant friend .

Joseph is preceded in death by his parents Joe and Oma Hamner, his sister Claudette "Kim" Perry. He leaves to cherish his never fading memory, his children Sedrick L. Hamner; Cheron (Tracy) Hamner-Burse; Sisters Dorothy Woody, Delores "Tee" Volious; Grandchildren Niara Tabb, Jonathan McCaleb, Camry McCaleb, Terrance (Angelica) Chandler-Harrison, Martinique Walton, CJ (Ceesha)Peters; Great Grandchildren Karter Sweat, Nori Sweat; Adopted daughters Dorothea Norman, Shavonda McCaleb. Adopted Sons Todd (Etrudy) Mitchell, Brett (Tangela) Jackson. And a host of Nephews, Nieces, and Cousins. He was loved by many, and his love for many continues to flow.

Joseph E. Hamner Jr. A Legacy of Love and Quality and Values lives on forever.

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Cemetery Details

Lincoln Cemetery

2275 Joseph E. Boone Blvd
Atlanta, GA 30314

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Willie A. Watkins Funeral Home Douglasville
8312 Dallas Highway
Douglasville, GA 30134

Service

APR 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

Destiny World Church
7400 Factory Shoals Road
Austell, GA 30168

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Hamner*

October 22, 2023 at 04:48 PM



“ *Sedrick and Brett, My heart is deeply touched by the news of Joe's transition; conflicted by both the joy of knowing he's present with the Lord and now another man of valor has left us. As it was so eloquently stated, Mr. Hamner was always encouraging, and in addition, he never forgot a person's name. I'm so thankful for the professional time I experienced working with him in Buffalo, as well as the personal time we all had together. God bless.
Love, Vanessa Hairston-Brazelton*

Vanessa Hairston-Brazelton - April 15, 2020 at 02:10 PM



“ *Sedrick & Cheron, sending love and prayers during your time of loss. Your Dad was a special man and always wonderful to me.*

*Peace & Blessings,
Janice McKinnie ((McCaster)*

Janice McKinnie - April 15, 2020 at 12:40 PM

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“ Dear Sedrick, Cheron and Niara, Joe has always been a part of our family. He married my sister and became a loving father and papa to you. I will always remember him as a fun loving person. I pray that you walk in the peace and comfort that Jesus sends to your hearts and spirits. He will not be forgotten and will forever rest in a never-ending, constant love of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Be Blessed !

Auntie Gaynell

Gaynell Willingham - April 14, 2020 at 05:34 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Hamner.



April 14, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ Dear Papi, thank you gracing my life with your wisdom, wit and compassion. I know you and Granny are catching up and having a great time in heaven. Thank you for correcting me when I was wrong and encouraging me when I lacked confidence. Most of all thank you nurturing me to become a better man. Rest in Power Papi. ❤️❤️❤️

Brett-Alexander Jackson - April 14, 2020 at 10:47 AM