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During a time like this, we learn how much our friends really mean to us.

Your expression of sympathy will always be treasured.

May God richly Bless each of you.

The family of Nathaniel Owens.



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"When Someone You Love Becomes A Memory; The Memory Becomes A Treasure."



In Remembrance



LIFE'S JOURNEY Nathaniel Juens

Nathaniel Owens was born April 20, 1951 to Arthur A. Owens and Pauline I. (Powell) Owens. He grew up in the Five Points, Curtis Park, and City Park West neighborhoods.

Nate attended school at Gilpin Elementary, Morey Jr. High School, and graduated from Manual High School. He studied music and community social programs at Metropolitan State College (now University).

At an early age Nate demonstrated an industrious spirit. In the winter he would shovel sidewalks for some of the neighbors. His interests were soon expanded to the movie theater. He would watch Champ, the manager/owner of the Roxy Theater, change the letters for upcoming movies on the marquee and one day asked if he could try. Champ gave him a chance and was convinced this youngster would do a good job.

Nate's job experiences at the Roxy expanded from doing the marquee to cleaning up after movies, working the concession stand, and ultimately changing the reels of the movies.

As a young boy Nate was introduced to Christ while attending vacation bible school at Central Baptist Church. While admitting that the initial attraction to attending was getting the snacks that were provided, he was eventually baptized. The seeds of faith were planted then and intertwined in many ways during his life - especially through his interactions with people. Yes, as a young man he engaged in his share of scraps with other young men in the neighborhood. But Nate's caring nature was demonstrated through his interactions with family and other people.

His early earnings were shared with his siblings, nieces, and nephews when he would buy gifts and treats for them. In later years he would often encourage them to seek jobs at the places he had worked when the opportunities arose. Once he began operating a business of his own, family or friends in need of extra funds could find work either in the sandwich shop or one of the sandwich carts.

Sunday, October 29, 2023 - 2:00pm PIPKIN BRASWELL CHAPEL OF PEACE

6601 East Colfax Ave. Denver, Colorado 80220 Elder Earsul Banks, Officiating

Processional	Tamala Mann Recording
"Take Me to the King"	
Comfort From The Scriptures	Minister
Old Testament New Testament	
Prayer of Solace	Minister
SelectionTasha Cobbs Leonard Recording	
"He Knows My Name"	

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Video Tribute

Special Tribute Pastor King Harris

"I Choose You Again"

Eulogy..... Elder Earsul Banks

Pipkin Braswell Funeral Directors "I'll Always Love You"

CLOSING PRAYER | DINNER GRACE



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3 begins "To every thing there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven:

a time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot,".

Although Nathaniel's season with us has ended, the seeds of love planted during his life will continue to be harvested for as long as he is remembered. I Corinthians 13 describes, the greatest of things is love.

I If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal.

2 If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing.

3 If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. 5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily

5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

6 Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

7 It always protects, always trusts, always

hopes, always perseveres.

8 Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away.

9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part,

10 but when completeness comes,

what is in part disappears.

II When I was a child, I talked like a child,

I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the

ways of childhood behind me.

12 For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Nate, we will see you again on that great day when the Father will send His Son to gather all His children.
Until then, rest in peace our beloved.

When the McDonalds opened in Five Points Nathaniel was one of the early participants in their classroom and on-the-job training program learning everything the McDonald's way including keeping the property cleaned; making fries, shakes and sandwiches; and cashiering.

In addition to school and work Nathaniel enjoyed sports, music and working on cars. Early morning runs before school to train for boxing not only developed stamina but instilled a "can do" attitude for life. At one time he was a member of the Golden Gloves program though later his interest shifted to football.

To participate in the city sponsored singing contests Nate would gather with friends and his brother Michael to rehearse for the competitions. Winning was the goal, yet again the experience taught a lot that carried on for the rest of his life. Through the years Nate formed a number of bands who performed throughout Denver and a few other cities in Colorado. When not working with his own bands he performed with The Action Orchestra, Big City Band, Jakarta, and others.

Most of these activities occurred within the Five Points area so it was no surprise that if an event happened in Five Points Nate Owens was somehow involved. Whether as a member of the Five Points Business Association, participating in the Juneteenth Parade, East Side Action Center services and programs, the Bill Picket Rodeo, or hosting performers to the Casino Cabaret you could count on Nate to be there meeting and greeting.

When not working Nathaniel enjoyed spending time with his wife and daughter. They often traveled to many places within Colorado, and to states such as Arizona, California, Florida, Louisiana, New York, and Texas.

Nathaniel was the 12th of 15 siblings. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Alonzo, Lee Marvin, Dale Duane, Dennis L., Guston, Morris Michael, Gregory L. Owens, and Melvin Loggins Jr.; sisters, Wilma (Owens) Branham, Lona (Owens) Machado, Shirley (Owens) Ellis, and Judith Owens. He is survived by his wife, Nola V. (Wade) Owens; daughter, Chante Y. Owens; sisters, Marvenia (Owens) Salzbury, Vickie (Owens) Grays; many cousins, a host of nieces and nephews and friends.











