

"For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth; And after my skin is destroyed, this I know, That in my flesh I shall see God, Whom I shall see for myself, And my eyes shall behold, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!"  
- Job 19:25-27 (NKJV)

HOME GOING CELEBRATION OF  
**HORACE**

*Byes, Jr.*

*August 21, 1970 - June 13, 2023*

*Saturday, June 24, 2023*

**Visitation: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM**  
**Service: 10:00 AM**

**ST. STEPHEN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
1738 L.B. Landry Avenue  
New Orleans, LA 70114  
**Rev. Dr. Norman N. Francis**  
*Host Pastor*

**Rev. Hilton Roussell, Jr.**  
*Officiating*





"For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

-Romans 8:38-39 (NKJV)

## Obituary of

### HORACE BYES, JR.

Horace Byes, Jr. was born August 21, 1970 to the union of the late Horace Byes, Sr. and Pamela Patterson Byes. Stepson of the late Yvette Byes of Anchorage, Alaska. Horace departed this life on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. A native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of Marrero, LA.

Horace accepted Christ as his personal savior at an early age and was baptized at Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church by the late Rev. Dr. John A. Brooks, Sr.

Horace was educated in the Jefferson Parish Public School System. He furthered his education learning a trade in painting and decorating. Mastering the profession under the guidance and supervision of his late father, Horace Byes, Sr. owner of Glacier Painting and Decorating of Anchorage, Alaska and New Orleans, LA. Where he received his licensure and professionalism. He loved his work and took pride in every job performed. Horace loved God, life, family, and friends. He made each and everyone know that they were important and loved. A man with a heart of gold, class and dignity. He was a God fearing man who was deep in the word of God and shared his knowledge with everyone that knew him.

Father of JaLesia Byes, Taurus Don Williams-Potvin and the late Irealle Harris. Horace also shared the blessing of rearing two bonus children, Timea (Eric) Webster and Emmanuel Webster with his ex-wife and beloved friend, Rose Beverly. Brother of Dawn Byes, Lisa Byes Williams and the late Kerry M. Byes. Uncle of Jeremy, Joshua, and Jordan George, Jasmine Williams and the late Brandon L. Byes. Great uncle of Juelz and Jeremy George, Jr. Nephew of Pastor Walter (Gale) Byes, Rita Byes Noil, Bobby Holiday, Ava (Anthony) Coleman, Gregory (Kathy) Patterson, Sr., William (Jackie) Patterson, III, Kathy A. Patterson, Mark (Dimitri) Patterson, Allen (Adonis) Patterson, Ken Patterson and the late Basil (Katherine) Patterson, Paulette Patterson (Rodney) Zeno, and Marsha Patterson. God-parents Russell Favorite and Diane Lee. Fiancé of Shawn King.

Horace was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter and his grandparents, the late Croyden and Daisy B. Smith, Walter Byes, Sr., William and Mable Roussell Patterson and the late Bertilla Evans of Anchorage, Alaska.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his children, his siblings, his fiancé, aunts, uncles and a host of relatives and friends. Horace is absent from the body and present with the Lord.

"He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall  
abide under the shadow of the Almighty." - *Psalm 91:1 (NKJV)*

# Order of Services

Prelude ..... Organ  
Processional ..... Family  
Opening Hymn ..... Church  
Scripture Reading ..... Old & New Testament  
Devotional Prayer (Chant) ..... Church  
Solo ..... Yvette Nash  
Mistress of Service ..... Sis. Kathy C. Patterson  
Tribute to my Father ..... JaLesa Byes  
Solo ..... Sis. Alicia Bailey  
*Morning Star Baptist Church*  
Obituary ..... Sis. Deborah Devore  
*Second Nazarene Baptist Church*  
Selection/Solo ..... Bro. Norris Byas  
Eulogy ..... Rev. Hilton Roussell, Jr.  
*Progressive Baptist Church*  
Solo ..... Bro. Byron Doliolle  
*Regular Baptist Church*

Visiting Clergy  
Parting View  
Benediction





# *Tribute to my Dad*

It is with profound sorrow and heartache to write this tribute Dad, I want you to know that I love you, cherish you, our relationship, and the love you have continuously expressed through your spirit and livelihood. There are not many words I can say to convey how I am feeling other than that I am in shock, disbelief, and dismay. This doesn't seem right.

Dad, you were the first man that taught me how to express love and be genuine and authentic. No matter the adversities you experienced during your life, you always continued to show love and persevere through the difficulties that life threw at you. You have always guided me with wisdom, genuineness, and integrity. This is not fair. I can't believe this or understand. You are my best friend, #1 supporter, and, most of all, my DAD. You always made extensive efforts, NO MATTER WHAT, to ensure that I knew I am seen, heard, loved, and protected. Without you as my dad, there would be no me.

Most families do not survive divorce, but we remain whole until your passing. You made every effort to continue to parent us even as we transitioned into adulthood. You came to Thanksgiving and Christmas and would drop in when you could. It's clear to me that there is no me without you, and there is no you without me. We are an extension of your heart and the things that you dreamed for. The greatest gift that you gave us was the confidence that we could make this life our best. You always taught us to bet on Black. Black people, Black love, and Black humanity was our home. Every Black child deserves love by a beautiful Black man like you.

I know that since you have transitioned, entering eternal peace and being welcomed by many of those longing to embrace you with love, warmth, and care as they had ushered you when you were here on the other side. If there is nothing else I am sure of in this lifetime, I am sure that within the 25 years of living, you loved us. When I was a little girl, you told me, "Stay with your daddy until you're 25!" You are a man of your word and actions! Thank you for the loud, long laughs, meaningful conversations, encouragement, and precious memories that you have left with me to carry me.



You have left an indescribable impact on me and others that love you overwhelmingly and have touched many lives. You always gave me my flowers; now it is time for me to share yours. You may not be here physically with me, but it has been solidified that since June 13, 2023, you will always be with me, no matter the highways, skies, or seas I travel. As I prepare to live without you physically here, I will miss seeing your face and big welcoming hugs. You will continue to be the most loving, funny, outgoing, resilient, charismatic, courageous, and sincere man.

As we have always proven to each other, no matter what, you got me, and I got you.

I am grateful you have the rest and peace you deserve, Dad. I love you so much, and I will see you soon.

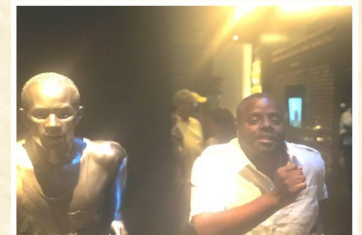
*Ja Lesa*













## *Pallbearers*

Jeremy George, Sr., Joshua George, Steven George, Ken Patterson,  
Alex Johnson, Brian Roussell, Emmanuel Webster, JordanGeorge

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Walter Byes, Gregory Patterson, Sr., William Patterson, Allen Patterson,  
Mark Patterson, Bryan Nicholas, Dustin Patterson, Gregory Patterson, Jr.  
Jonathan Patterson, Christian Zenon, Ernest Roussell, Jr., Russell Favorite,  
Marlon George

## *Acknowledgements*

The family wishes to express our gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during our hours of bereavement. Your prayers, visits, calls, flowers and every gesture has given us strength and inspiration for the facing of this hour. May God ever bless each of you.

-The Family of Horace Byes, Jr.

## *Professional Arrangements Entrusted To*

Davis Mortuary Service, Inc.

230 Monroe Street Gretna, Louisiana 70053

## *Interment*

Restlawn Park Cemetery & Mausoleum

3540 Highway US 90 Avondale, Louisiana 70094

## *Repast*

Knights of Columbus

475 Franklin Avenue Gretna, La 70053

