



N.L. Crawford III

MAY 20, 1955 — NOVEMBER 20, 2024

Thursday, December 12, 2024

Viewing: 10:30 A.M.

Funeral: 11:00 A.M.

Mountaintop Faith Ministries

2845 Lindell Rd

Las Vegas, NV 89146

OBITUARY

Life Story of N.L. Crawford III

N.L. Crawford III was born in Los Angeles, California to the late N.L. Crawford Jr. and Dorothy Mae Antoine on May 20th, 1955. During his teenage years he moved to 52nd Street in South Central Los Angeles with his grandmother, Sephora Crawford and grandfather, N.L. Crawford Sr. who he called, Papa.

N.L. graduated from Crenshaw High School in Los Angeles, California. He continued his education by pursuing a career in Architectural Design and later worked for AT&T as a Fiber Optics Technician. In 1973, N.L. met the love of his life, his high school sweetheart, Andrelle Lavon Sankey, who he calls (Gorgeous) whom he devoted his life. They married in Lake Tahoe, Nevada on December 25th, 1981. To this union was born, his son, Adavian Sashiem Crawford (king of all kings) and daughter, Madreia Nichole Crawford, whom he vowed to give his life for. His patience and resilience was unmatched; N.L. 's nickname was Butchie, and all his family members called him Butchie! He was musically inclined, a self- taught Bass Guitarist and songwriter always in a corner thumbing his bass. We're really gonna miss the sound of that bass!

N.L. Crawford departed his life on Wednesday, November 20th, 2024, Butchie was preceded in death by his father N.L. Crawford Jr., mother, Dorothy Antoine, and sister, Victoria Crawford. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Andrelle Sankey, his children, Adavian Sashiem Crawford and Madreia Nichole Crawford. His grandchildren, Amazi Harris, Coleman Harris, David Elliott Harris, Aniyah Crawford and one great grand-son, Robert Nicholson Jr. Three brothers, Lonnie Crawford, Derrick Brown, James Green, and sister, Kimberly Brown. Eight nieces, Cheyenne, Shalonna, Shaniece, Danielle, Kanisha, Courtney, Kylie, and Kamryn. Four nephews, Derrayland, Derrick, Erek, Devante, and a host of loving relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Life Celebration of W.L. Crawford III

Musical Prelude

“Goodness Of God” - Cece Winans

Precessional.....	Clergy & Family
Old Testament Scripture Reading- Isaiah 40:31.....	Elder Gregory Williams
New Testament Scripture Reading- 2 Corinthians 12:9.....	Elder Gregory Williams
Prayer of Comfort.....	Elder Gregory Williams
Selection.....	“I Wont Complain”La Tasha McCall
Acknowledgements & Reading of the Obituary.....	Elder Gregory Williams
Poem- “Dont Fret”.....	Amazi Harris
Video Presentation.....	The Crawford Family
Expressions...(2 minutes Please).....	Family & Friends
Selection.....	”Open Up My Heart”La Tasha McCall
Eulogy/Benediction	Clyde Harris
Parting View.....	Giddens Memorial Chapel
Recessional/ Postlude.....	Clergy and Family

Postlude

“Cry No More” - Charlie Wilson

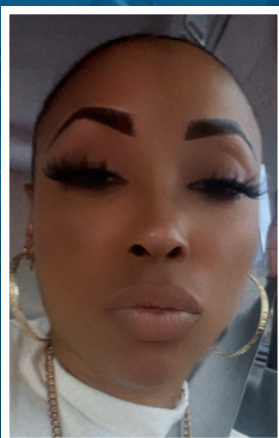
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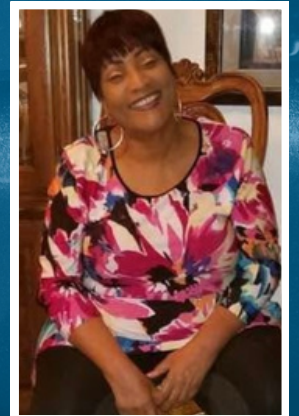
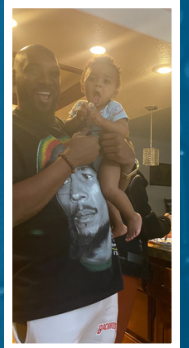
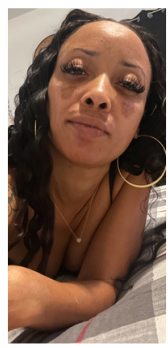
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 6701 N Jones Blvd
 Las Vegas, NV 89131

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2116 Bachelor Court
 Las Vegas, NV 89128
 Immediately Following Committal







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Loving Letters to N.L. Crawford III

You Are My “Once In A Lifetime”

Once in a Lifetime someone comes into our life that we really connect with. Heart to heart, soul to soul. A friendship develops and love follows. With all of my being I know you are my “Once In A Lifetime”, and each time I think of you I realize you were truly meant for me. God saw the road was getting rough, the hills were hard to climb. He gently closed those loving eyes whispered “Peace Be Thine” N.L. Crawford III “ My Butchie Boy”. He calls me Gorgeous everyday. He always tells me how beautiful I am. If I walk by him he always touches me to let me know he’s there “My Love” What am I to do without you. I’m already lonely, sad and heart broken. I’m broken. I’m missing you already. You had me to confirm that I knew how much you loved me. Before you passed away my high school sweet heart, rest my Love God and the Angels in heaven will take care of you now. I truly know how much you loved me. Rest in Peace my: “Soul Mate”; “My Support”; “My Confidant”; “My Best friend”. I will always think about the GOODTIMES!!!! Love Always Forever and Now! ~**Andrelle**

To a Wonderful Father. I want to thank you, Dad! For all you did through out the years, how you guided me through childhood, and helped me face my fears, no matter how life changes, and no matter what I do, I’ll always thank the LORD for the DAD I found in you. ~**Adavian**

Our time was so Short! I’m at a lost for words how this has broken me. My number one “FAN” in everything I choose to do in this life! You were so patient, thorough, and just a magnificent person. You inspired me to blossom and grow within my own path and encouraged every obstacle because you knew it would only make me stronger. You noticed and praised every success, guided me to make changes to bring out The best! You “Daddy” were the definition of a good father, a strong “WARRIOR,” you taught and lead, you were a provider! You would give every little thing you had, the shirt off your back to make sure we were good. Daddy you provided security, calmness, happiness and love that will not ever be able to be replaced. I appreciate you Daddy! You are my hero and a rich blessing from above how could I ever repay you. Thanks for being the best Dad Ever! This is not a goodbye, but see you later!
I Love You Daddy! ~**Madreia**

Grandfather, Who’d try to give me all the world as far as I could see, And smiles just made for me. Who always finds some special time that we-two could share. And never too busy, To show how much you care, God worked a special miracle , When he made a grandfather like you, and I’m glad that you are mine! I Love you so much Grandfather! ~**Amazi**

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In Loving memory of my grandfather... Deep in my heart, you life is kept to love and cherish, and not forgot. No more tomorrows we can share but yesterday's are always there. A silent thought, a secret tear keeps your memory ever near in our hearts forever. See you Grandfather.... Rest in Peace ~Aniyah

Thank you for being there for us gramps, its Hard to imagine a future without you. You always made sure we were ok before yourself. Always excited to see us, we wish we could hear you say "BOY," again. We aren't going to cry, instead we'll carry on your presence, as it lives inside of us. We love and will miss you always, Rest Easy Gramps! ~Coley

Through out the years, you've always been a wonderful man. When I was small you took the time to bounce me on your knee. As I grew older you were there, I only had to call. I knew that I could count on you. You'd never let me fall. So many hard times to get me through. I'm so glad God's given me a Grandfather just like you! Whisper in silence, a final goodbye. Grandfather in our hearts, you'll never die. Though you're no longer by our side. In our memories, you'll forever reside. Rest in Heaven Grandfather... ~David

Do Not Fret

Don't spend too much time mourning. Tears are for those that are sad.
I left to be with Jesus And this should make you glad.
Dont fret yourself with questions, Or try to reason why;
Life here on earth had ended, It came my time to die.
Don't lose the love I gave you. Feed it with care.
Let it grow with devotion And spread it everywhere.
Sometimes its hard to understand, The loss of one so dear;
But there's comfort in Knowing A loving God is always near.
So may God help you bear the pain And sadness that you feel,
For there's no sorrow on this earth That heaven cannot heal.

PALLBEARERS

James Green
Derrayland Egans
Derek Brown
Adavian Crawford
Marquez Collins
Odell Anderson JR.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Michael Kidd
Gregory Moore
Gerald Harris
Derrick Taylor
Lonnie Crawford
Gregory Thomas

APPRECIATION (TO SAY THANK YOU!)

You all have been so very kind with your thoughts, words, and deeds. You have ministered to our sprits and taken care of many needs. You have shown how much you love us, you have shown how deeply you care. So we continually praise GOD because we have friends that are always there. GOD knew that we needed his strength, so he sent angels our way. We've been feed, uplifted, counseled, and gladdened by angels we seen through each day, SO we pen this little message to THANK YOU for being so kind. You have shown us the love of Jesus and you do it all the time! `

-The Family of N.L. Crawford III

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