



# RODNEY MOROCCO NELSON

AUGUST 17, 1956 – OCTOBER 6, 2024

Saturday, November 16, 2024  
Memorial Service  
1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Eternal Valley Memorial Park & Mortuary  
23287 North Sierra Hwy.  
Newhall, CA 91321

Bishop Tobaise Brookins, Officiant



# OBITUARY

## *Life Story of Rodney Morocco Nelson*

Rodney Morocco Nelson was the third child born to Napoleon and Dorothy M. Nelson (preceded in death) on August 17, 1956, in Marion, Alabama.

At an early age, Rodney accepted Christ. Rodney united with New Birth Baptist Church under the pastorate of Rev. Pemalton. He participated in church activities and functions. As a young child he would practice preaching in front of family and friends, the family thought for sure he was going to be a minister.

Rodney attended MaClay Junior High School and Sylmar High School with emphasis in baseball and other sports. After high school, he transitioned to various jobs that supported his interest.

Rodney's hobbies and passion was his love for baseball and bodybuilding. He was best known for having the best "physique in the San Fernando Valley". He played at Fillmore Park and other local parks.

Rodney was very popular among his friends, creating lifelong friendships and bonds within the community. He endured his sickness with a smile. He knew his end was near, but he never complained. Rodney fought a good fight, he has finished the course, he kept the faith.

Rodney will be loved beyond words and missed beyond measure. Those left to cherish his memories are his daughters: Clarice Nelson Taylor (Raynaldo), Katy, TX; Tamara Lison, Brenham, TX; son: Sky Morocco Nelson (precede in death) sisters: Sandra M Billingslea (Larry), Sylmar, CA; Evelyn (Judy) Collins (Milbert, Jr), Sylmar, CA; Cathy (Tina) Stevenson (Carlos) Las Vegas, NV; and Pamela (Pam) Nelson, Los Angeles, CA; grandchildren: Robert Griffin; Skylar Mon'et Taylor; Chayce Kash Taylor; Summer Reign Taylor; Damon Roshod Mcgregor, Jr.; aunts: Frances L. Johnson, Pacoima, CA; Berdia M. Nelson, Marion, AL., Phenomenal Friends: James Brignac, Santa Clarita, CA, Cinthia Brookins, Pacoima, CA., Robert Oliver, Maricopa, AZ., and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.



# ORDER OF SERVICE

## *Life Celebration of Rodney Morocco Nelson*

Processional.....	Clergy & Family
Old Testament Scripture Reading.....	Bishop Tobaise Brookins
New Testament Scripture Reading .....	Elder Daniel Lourie, Pastor/Teacher
Prayer of Comfort.....	Elder Daniel Lourie, Pastor/Teacher
Selection.....	You Were Loved
Obituary .....	Read In Silence
Expressions...(Two Minutes Please).....	All Welcome
Selection.....	Take My Hand, Precious Lord
Eulogy.....	Bishop Tobaise Brookins
Selection.....	Dancing In The Sky
Benediction	
Recessional	

### **Reception**

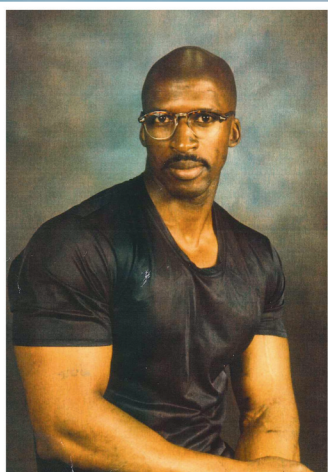
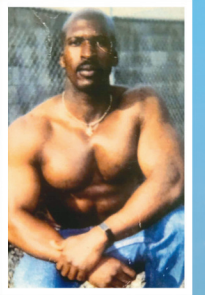
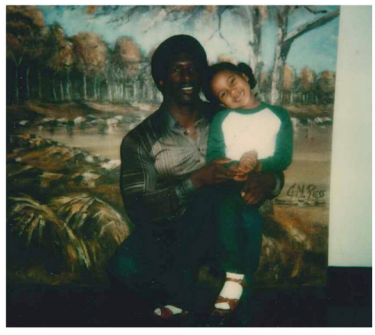
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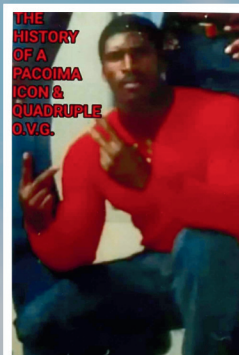
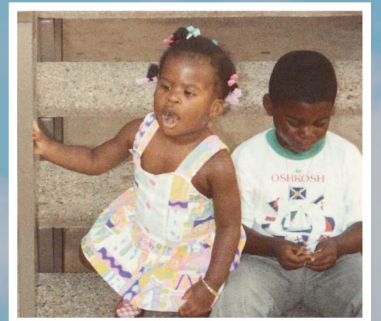
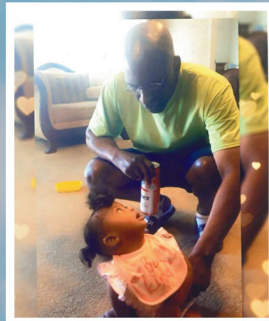
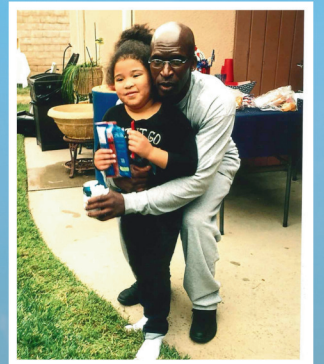
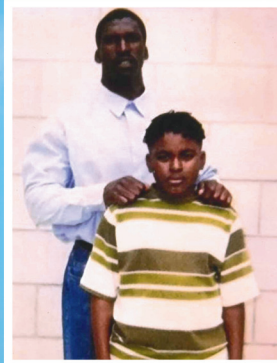
A limb has fallen from the family tree that says grieve not for me  
Remember the BEST TIMES  
The laughter the song the good life  
I lived while I was STRONG













# TRIBUTES

## *Letters to Rodney Morocco Nelson*

Dedication to my Daddy

Dad, there is not a day that goes by when I don't think about you. Dad, all the times we shared together, all the fun we had. I love you and I miss you each and every single day. You left a hole no one can fill when angels took you away. But I will hold onto the memories and hold them forever in my heart. I keep a little piece of you with me so we are truly never apart.

**Love you now and forever, Reese**



Dad,  
We think about you always,  
We talk about you still,  
You will never be forgotten,  
And I promise you never will,  
We hold you close within our hearts  
And there you will remain,  
To walk with us throughout our lives,  
Until we meet again.  
**Love you always daddy**  
**-your baby girl, Tamara**





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### MISSING YOU ALWAYS

You never said you were leaving, you never said goodbye.  
You were gone before I knew it and only God knows why.  
In life, I loved you dearly. In death I love you still.  
In my heart, I hold a place that only you can fill.

It broke my heart to lose you,  
But you didn't go alone  
A part of me went with you.  
The day GOD took you home,  
Your heart stopped, but my love for you didn't.

**LOVE YOU THEN NOW  
FOREVER RODNEYPAT**  
Submitted by Cinthia Brookins



### DESTINY

We all have a date with destiny  
Out on some distant shore,  
Where we'll see again the remembered smiles  
of friends who have gone before.  
So do not complain when destiny  
Tells you it's time to roam,  
To where sweet voices you loved and lost  
Are waiting to welcome you home.  
For destiny is a word for "God"  
Who captains each tiny Soul  
That he sets afloat on the Sea of Life  
With Heavens it's shining goal.







## Honorary Pallbearers

James Brignac

Donnie Cannon

Mark Nalls

Robert Oliver

Gary Brignac

Gregory Dickson

Gathan Beasley

Samuel Gules (Nutt)

## Acknowledgement

The Family of Rodney M. Nelson would like to express their sincere appreciation, gratitude for all prayers and acts of kindness they received during this very difficult time.

Tina, we thank you for your unwavering care and support given to Rodney.

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