In Laving Memory



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2024

JUNE 10, 1951 - DEC 7, 2024

WAKE: 10:00 AM - FUNERAL: 10:30 AM

WATSON'S FUNERAL HOME

10913 Superior Ave – Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Order of Service

Processional		Clergy and Family
Family Visitation	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	10:00 ам – 10:30 ам
Old Testament (2 Jeremiah 2	9:11)	Monica McConnell
New Testament (2 Corinthians 5:6-8 & 2 Timothy 4:7-8) Calvin Stover		
The Lord's Prayer		Letisha Russell
Praise Dance		Mama Love
"Walk Around Heaven", by Patti LaBelle		
Poem		Deshiona Fields
Song Selection		
Reading of Obituary		Rev. Tina Thompkins
Expression/Reflections		(2-Minute Limit Please)
Poem		Tierian L. Stover
Song Selection		
"Dance with My Father", by Luther Vandross		
Eulogy		Tathlyn Houston
Committal		•••••
Recessional		
HONORARY PALLBEARERS		
Donald Cunningham Traymaine Smith	Ronald Cunningham Larry Stover	— Tony Cunningham Tash Stover
<u>Pallbearers</u>		
Tahj Fields Antoine Stover	Gary Layne Jr. Calvin Stover	Willard McConnell, Sr. Donald Stover
Kenneth Stover	Raishaun Stover	









Obiluary

On this day that GOD has made, we as one, join in celebrating the life of our beloved son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, uncle, and dear friend known to many as - Larry James Cunningham. Larry, Daddy, Pops, Silent Knight, Ham, Big Larry, Married Man, Coca Cola, Bread, was born in the grace of a beautiful mother, Emma Hill (Cunningham), and father, Robert Russell on June 10, 1951, in Mobile, Alabama. Larry was a strong, quiet, and kind protector -but if you acted up, he would hang you on a hook. He was the oldest of twelve children.

Larry attended East Tech High School. He was a good athlete, and he enjoyed playing football. In 10th grade, he left school to help his mother take care of his younger siblings.

In 1977, Larry met his lifelong partner, Debra Stover, and remained with her until she passed away. Larry and Debra proudly raised their 6 children: Synetta, Tierian, Tierra, Larry (Fierra), Tatiana and Tash.

In his adult life, he enjoyed doing the following activities: playing chess, listening to jazz, dancing, drawing, completing puzzles, watching football, The Peanuts movies, History channel, Animal Planet, The Rifleman, and The Andy Griffith Show, driving the scenic route home to see Christmas lights and eating Chocolate Frosties from Wendy's and his mom's German Chocolate cake. He also enjoyed barbecuing and making his signature barbeque sauce. He worked for Coca-Cola for 25 years until he retired at the age of sixty-three.

Larry has joined his wife (Debra Stover), parents (Emma Hill and Robert Russell), siblings (Wilma Townsend, Sandra Russell, Revas Cunningham) and his best friend (Willie Bouie) who preceded him in death. Larry leaves to cherish his memory, his six children, eight siblings, Robert Jr, Cynthia, Melody, Tony, Donald, Ronald, Tathlyn, Sharlene(Rome), ten grandchildren(Randall Sr, Deshiona, Tahj, Brianna, Traymaine, Tyree, Tayviyon, Londyn, Remi, Sy'ayre), and ten great-grandchildren(Randall Jr, D'Niyah, Rio, Mashiah, Lil Tahj, Journey, Skyla, Reign, Michael, Shafeeq), many nieces and nephews, and a host of relatives and friends (especially Willard McConnell Sr, Tina Thompkins, Wayne Thompkins, Debra Bonton, Vanessa Sparks, Stephen Hall, Katrina Grayer, Don Phillips, Walt Phillips, Allen Jones, Ordenya Jones, Fannie Layne, John Layne, and Gary Layne, Sr.).

LOVINGLY SUBMITTED, THE FAMILY

He Only Takes the Best

By Unknown

God saw that he was getting tired,
 A cure was not to be.

So He put His arms around him and whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes, we watched him suffer,
 And saw him fade away.

Although we loved him dearly,
 We could not make him stay.

A golden heart stopped beating,
 Hard working hands to rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us
 He only takes "the best."

Until I See You Again

By Deshiona Fields

Hey Grandpa,

I know you're smiling, cause the sound of my voice always did put a smile on your face. Your first granddaughter, so I know I hold a special place. You never said much but I always felt the love, A silent bond we had, will continue from above. I know you're at peace and will be greeted with Love. Your Mother, Wife, Brother, Sisters and nephews, will welcome you with open arms. Hug each of them for me and tell them I miss them soooo.. My only grandfather, it hurts to see you go! Your soul will live on, so I know that you are still here, visit in my dreams like Auntie San do so that I'll always be aware. That your presence is still spiritually Here!

I Love You Grandpa! Rest In Peace

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE FAMILY OF MR. LARRY JAMES CUNNINGHAM WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS THEIR THANKS FOR THE MANY PRAYERS, CALLS, CARDS, LOVE, KIND, GESTURES, AND SUPPORT DURING OUR TIME OF BEREAVEMENT.

Services of Comfort entrusted to:

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