

A
Celebration
OF *Life* FOR

Sammie Ray
Griffin, Jr.



Sunrise

November 17,
1985

Sunset

September 26,
2023

October 6, 2023 ~ 1:00 PM

William Memorial Chapel

712 South Avenue C
Elgin, Texas 78621

Reverend Elmo Griffin
Eulogist and Officiant

OBITUARY

To everything there is a season and
a time to every purpose under the Heavens.
Ecclesiastes 3:1

“A Time to Be Born”

Sammie Ray Griffin, Jr. was born on November 17, 1985, to Sammie Ray Griffin, Sr. and Madelyn Ross Hamilton in Taylor, Texas. This little bundle of joy was a Junior and often called “Little Sammie”, but the name that he was given by his family was “Poochie”.

“A Time to Plant”

Sammie Ray attended the public schools in the Texas Independent School Districts. He graduated from Akins High School in 2005. Sammie grew up in life and wisdom, doing some odd jobs and working in many fields, experiencing the challenge of working and getting paid. His field of choice was helping others – *Handyman*. Sammie enjoyed the sports of football and basketball.

“A Time to Play and Work”

Sammie loved his family and enjoyed being around them, often spoiling his nieces and nephews. He surrounded himself with fun, love and continuous laughter. His favorite pastime was listening to his music, dancing, wearing his boots and rubbing on his dog, Savage. He was a happy person that will be truly missed., Sammie enjoyed life and lived it to the fullest.

“A Time to Die”

Sammie Ray Griffin, Jr., suddenly departed this life at the age of 37, on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. He will join his mother, Madelyn “Mrs. Dorothy” Hamilton Gadison, and his two brothers, Charles Gadison, Jr., and Bennie Gadison.

“A Time to Weep”

Sammie was a loving young man, a good son, a brother’s keeper, and a favorite uncle. He leaves in God’s hands to cherish his memories, his father, Sammie Ray Griffin, Sr. and his wife, Caretia; his siblings, Dorothy Thomas, Clifton Gadison, Pearlie Gadison, Annie Gadison, Melvin Gadison, Goldie Gadison, Vivian Gadison, Aaron Gadison, Commie Gadison, Chantae Patterson, and Regina Hamilton; fifty-two nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews; uncles and aunts; and a large number of cousins, a host of other relatives and friends.

I am young but strong enough to withstand anything that comes my way, I’m old enough to stretch forth my hands to the creator and cry – Lord, here am I...

TRIBUTES

Our Little Brother

Our time together was special
So were the memories we made and
Although you live in heaven now those
Memories never fade.

We bow our heads in silence
And remember our brother with love and
We know that you are up there
Watching from above.

Every day's a struggle
And nothing feels the same
And our hearts break a little more
Every time we hear your name.

You'll always be remembered
And time may heal our hearts
But a piece of us is missing
Since the day we had to part.

If Heaven is for Angels
Then we know that's where you'll be
And we you will be waiting
When Heaven calls for us!

With Love,
Brothers & Sisters

Daddy, too

To Our Uncle,
Your love and kindness
Are always in our hearts
We want you to know
How much we love you,
Only an uncle can
Give love like a dad.
Keep secrets like a brother,
And share laughs like a friend.
We are blessed with your love and
memories forever in our hearts.

*52 Nephews and Nieces covering 3
Generations and counting....*

REMEMBERING...



*C*ELEBRATION

*S*ERVICE

God didn't promise days without pain
Laughter without sorrow
Nor sun without rain
But he did promise strength for the day
Comfort for the tears and light for the way...

Melodic Reminiscence

Processional

Clergy, Casket Bearers, and Family

Reading of the Scriptures

Old Testament
Reverend L. R. Wilson
New Testament
Reverend L. R. Wilson

Prayer of Comfort

Reverend Steven Ward

Song of Celebration

Take Me To The King
Tamela Mann

Reflections

3 minutes, Please

Inspirational Music Tribute

The Thomas Family

Celebration Message

Reverend Elmo Griffin

Final Glimpse Before Glory

Come Fly With Me
Luther Barnes

Recessional

Clergy, Casket Bearers, and Family

CASKET CARRIERS

Aaron Gadison
Xavier Gadison
Byron Goodrich
Elijah Griffin
Richard White
Durrayle Johnson

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

At times like these, friendship and love is a gift from God. It is because of your thoughtfulness that we can celebrate and honor the life of our beloved **Sammie Ray** with peace. Every kind gesture is greatly appreciated and comforting to us.

For everything, we say "Thanks," we pray for God to Bless you in abundance, as you have been a blessing to us.

~ The Family of Sammie Ray Griffin, Jr.

INTERMENT

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Taylor, Texas 76574



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Integrity and Compassion from a Family that Generously Cares

We are deeply mindful of the confidence you have placed in us, and we sincerely hope that our services have been satisfactory and comforting to you.

Most Respectfully,

Josh and Jamie Hausladen and Staff

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