



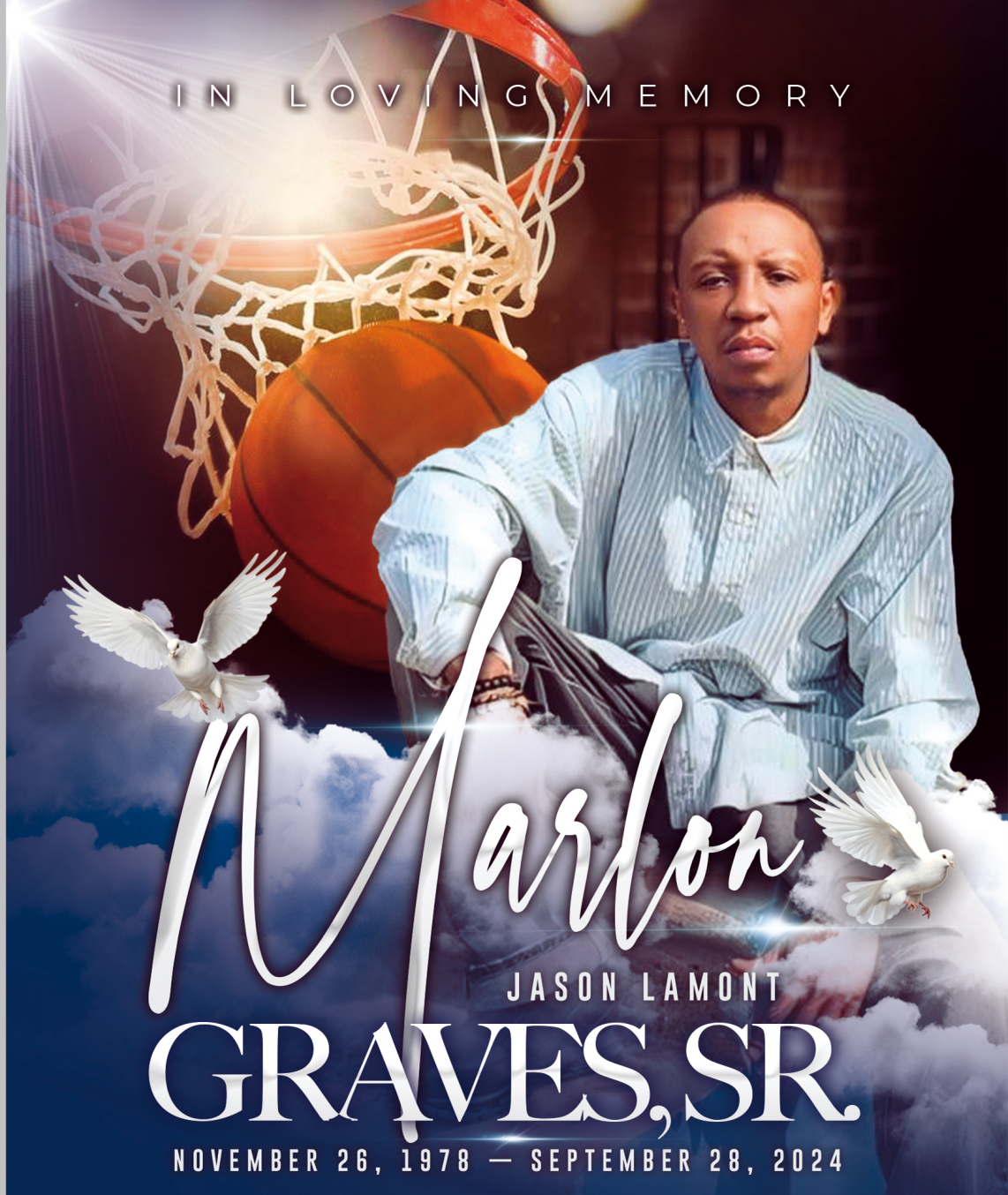
In Appreciation

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude for the love and compassion provided by all. God bless you!!



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IN LOVING MEMORY



JASON LAMONT
GRAVES, SR.

NOVEMBER 26, 1978 — SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

CELEBRATING HIS LIFE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024
VIEWING: 11:00AM | SERVICE: 12:00PM

RHEMA DELIVERANCE CATHEDRAL
1201 W. Lehigh Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19133



Marlon Jason Lamont Graves Sr. was born on November 26, 1978, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late, Virgil Nesbitt and Shirley Graves. He grew up in a close-knit family alongside his sisters. His parents, (Shirley and Samuel Travis) made certain that he attended church regularly. He discovered a passion for music and drums at an early age. Marlon accepted Christ and dedicated himself to the music ministry at Beulah Tabernacle Pentecostal Church, where his musical journey began.

Marlon was educated through the Philadelphia school system and graduated from Simon Gratz High School in 1999. He was an avid basketball player and fan. He played in leagues in West and North Philadelphia, even competing alongside the late Kobe Bryant. Marlon was a devoted Chicago Bulls and Michael Jordan fan, with a special love for Jordan sneakers. He was also a fan of the Las Vegas Raiders.

In July 1997, Marlon met the love of his life, Neaila Wilson. They married on May 15, 2015 and shared three beautiful daughters; Briyana, Shayla and Tamyrah. His precious son and name sake, Marlon Jr. looks like his "twin". Marlon loved his children tremendously, they brought him much joy!

Marlon had a 25-year career in the culinary field, working as a chef at restaurants including Hard Rock Cafe, Olive Garden, Chili's, and Applebee's, amongst many other chain restaurants. He took pride in his cooking skills and enjoyed preparing special dishes for loved ones. Most recently, Marlon worked as a cleaning technician for TWB Contractors.

Marlon was very family oriented. He cherished family functions, vacations, and holiday gatherings, especially Thanksgiving and Christmas. He had a passion for music, playing drums for his church, school, and in local bands. Marlon enjoyed watching Martin, Scarface, and Sports Center.

Marlon passed away on Saturday, September 28, 2024. Marlon is survived by his beloved wife Neaila; children Briyana, Shayla, Tamyrah, and Marlon Jr. Sisters; Mary Nesbitt, Sonya Nesbitt, Samantha (Lawrence) Murray, and Shanell (Corey). Brothers; Jeffrey (Andrea) Nesbitt and Antonio Irving; God-brothers; Shawn Ballard, Anthony Williams, Prince Miller, Demond Wynder. God-sister; La'ticia Scovens; and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Lovingly Submitted, **THE FAMILY**

Order OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude.....Pastor Terry Oakman
National Temple Baptist Church

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Final Viewing.....Family Only

Prayer of Comfort.....Elder Leon Howard

Scripture Reading.....Old Testament - Elder Jim Custus
New Testament - Deacon Michael Langley

Musical Selection.....Therese Niblack

Words of Expression/Reflection.....Antonio Irving
Shawn Ballard
Anthony Williams

Musical Tribute.....Cortland "C-Note" Oliver

Obituary and Card Reading.....Michelle Rouse

Musical Selection.....Brittany Greene

Words of Expression/Reflection.....Tamyrah Graves
Shanell Renee
Samantha Murray

Musical Selection.....Pastor James Scott

Eulogy.....Bishop Keith M. Thomas

Benediction.....

Recessional.....Clergy and Family