Order of Service

Friday, June 3, 2022, 3PM
Pipkin Braswell Chapel of Peace
6601 East Colfax Ave
Denver, CO 80220

Pastor Haroun Cowans, Officiant/ Eulogist

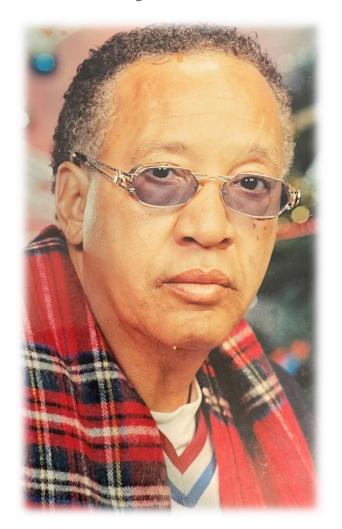
Processional	Nathaniel Black
"Let the Church Say Amen"	
Parting Memories	Pipkin Braswell Directors
Comfort from the Scripture	Minister
Prayer of Solace	Minister
Musical Selection	Nathaniel Black
"Never Would Have Made It"	
Acknowledgements, Condolences, Poetic Reading	.Pipkin Braswell Director
Obituary	Elizabeth Raibon
Musical Selection	Nathaniel Black
"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"	
Expressions of Love	2-Minute Remarks
Musical Selection	Nathaniel Black
"I Look to You"	
Eulogy	Pastor Haroun Cowans
Pipkin Braswell Directors	
Committal/ Closing Prayer/ Benediction	
Recessional	Nathaniel Black
"Take Me to the King"	

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray, if so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words that anyone could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts,
We thank you so much whatever the part.
The family of Lankford "Smokey" Charles Grayson.

Pipkin Braswell
"When Someone You Love Becomes A Memory;
The Memory Becomes A Treasure."

Celebrating The Life Of



Ankford "Smokey"

Charles Grayson

February 24, 1945 ~ May 14, 2022



To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven;

² A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

³ A time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up.

Lankford "Smokey" Charles Grayson was the first-born child of Elizabeth Nelweeta White, February 24th, 1945, in Okmulgee, Oklahoma. A miraculous miracle from God, Lankford was born

with blonde hair (back in the day he was referred to as a "blue baby"). Lankford was blessed to grow up with his sixteen siblings, Silvester, Queenaster, David, Anna Lois, Burnette, Joslyn, Sherrie, Carl, Elizabeth, Daverette, and Daniel.

As a young child he was affectionately referred to as "little man" because at the age of 10 his father, Charles Grayson, taught him to drive his 1955 Chevy. He was so excited; he just knew he'd reached manhood! At an early age, "Smokey" had a zest for life and loved food and music, but his true passion was boxing. Oh, how he LOVED boxing. The sport of boxing became his proclivity. Staying in shape was mandatory as he had to be in top condition for every fight. Lankford was considered by many to be a formidable opponent; he was difficult to undertake and defeat. He was truly the accomplished boxer, winning the Golden Glove Championship.

Considered to be a World Class Fighter, Lankford was known for his signature punch- the over hand right jab, which he used against his ALL his opponents. His hands were considered lethal weapons.

Lankford was very kind, mild mannered, and considerate of others in need. When the weather was cold, he would open his home to the homeless, bringing them in from the freezing temperatures. Feeding and doing all he could to render support to those in need. His love for people was a attribute of God, his heart was full of love for others he didn't know. A true testament to the second Commandment, love your neighbor as thyself. Mark 12:31.

Lankford "Smokey" Charles Grayson is preceded in death by his brothers, Silvester Cowans, David Cowans Jr., and Daniel Cowans all of Oklahoma. Those left to cherish his legacy are his siblings, Queenaster Cowans Lewis, Anna Lois Cowans Lewis, Claudette Cowans (Bryan) Buchanan, Lennard (Miesha) Cowans, and Kennard Cowans (best friend), Burnette Cowans, Joslyn Cowans (John) Owens, Sherrie Cowans, Carl (Patricia) Cowans, Elizabeth Cowans-Swanson (Lawrence) Raibon, and Daverette Cowans; and his nephew, David Southwell, who was always there to lend a hand; and a host of other relatives and many friends.

Lankford Charles "Smokey Grayson had a wonderful personality, charm, and love for all his siblings, his journey on May 14th, 2022, just hours after giving his life to his Lord and Savior. It was as if he was running faster than any human ability, pushing through barriers, and just in the nick of time. He made into the Kingdom of Heaven.

Ecclesiastes 9:11
The race isn't given to the swift or to the strong but to the one that ENDURES TO THE END. "SAVED IN TIME"



Today is the time, to Praise the Lord.

Today is the time to look at God's Mercy and Grace, to allow Him to have first place in you.

While we have the time today, to say I'm sorry.

The time to get our lives in place.

The time of God's amazing grace.

Please don't make It to late

In Ecclesiastic 3,it says It's a time to live and a time to die.

It's to late to say goodbye, to Lankford Grayson his time is over.

But time is ticking away, "Don't delay" it's time to give your life today.

"Who will be next?"

With your live today we must pray, to make a way to be
On time that day.

When God calls you name and takes you away.

Praise the Lord, lift up your voice and Praise the Him
for He is the Most High God.

He has given you another day

to get ready for the day is coming when we will be called..