"A Love Letter For Daddy"

I love you and I miss you - Kyle

I love you Daddy I always have and I always will my king - Jacqueline Thank you for always being with us. You were always a part of our lives. You stayed loyal to us from the beginning to the end and I will always love you for that. - Tameka I lost a great king. My twin and father. Rest in peace daddy, gone but never ever forgotten! - Rasheema

I love you Daddy - Pele

You always showed me the right way as a man and how to move I love you daddy - Aljaami You were the only father I ever knew. You will truly be missed and I love you - Donna My best friend I love you Daddy thank you for loving me unconditionally forever in my heart - Devora Your soul was a light even in the darkest hours of life.

I pray your spirit will forever shine on us and keep us in your embodiment of love - Lecia Live in eternal peace as you lived an everlasting life KING. Forever and always I love you - Kashana Daddy, you were the only person on this earth that called me "Q".

When I was little you asked me to buy you a car. I said "okay! what color?"...

I'm still going to get you that red car. Love you King Pin. - Kewanda

Thank you for all the wisdom and style you blessed us with.

I promise to be strong and make you proud at all times. I love you Daddy. - Dustin

Thank you daddy, for embracing and loving me as your child.

You will forever be a part of me, I love you! - Eurekka

I will miss and love him he will always be in my heart - Alexa

So blessed to have gotten to experience your beautiful soul and spirit.

You will truly be missed. - Love Deidra

I love you I wish I would have came more after my father passed - Veronica I love and miss you . You will forever be in my heart - Malaysia You held it down and made sure your family was good. I will always love you Daddy - Cashmaniyah Daddy I love you, the funniest great grandfather ever - Taliah

Acknowledgement

The family of CLARENCE WILSON would like to express our deepest thanks and appreciation to everyone for their kindness during this most difficult time.

ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:





"Darling we've enjoyed a wonderful life together

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Clarence Wilson

Sunrise: January 15, 1934 ~ Sunset: April 30, 2020

FUNERAL SERVICE

Friday, May 15, 2020 at 11:00 A.M.

BENTA'S FUNERAL HOME

630 St. Nicholas Avenue New York, NY 10030

PASTOR TERRANCE KENNEDY, OFFICIATING MR. BRVON NEAL, MUSICIAN

INTERMENT

GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL PARK

Veterans Section Paramus, New Jersey

"Upou have left a long lasting impression on me and many others. We will always love you.

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE

INVOCATION	
SELECTION	
SCRIPTURE READING	
OLD TESTAMENT	
New Testament	1 Corinthians 13:4-7
Prayer of Comfort	Pastor Terrance Kennedy
Selection	HIS EYE IS ON THE SPARROW
REFLECTIONS	FAMILY AND FRIENDS
OBITUARY	Two minutes per person please
SELECTION	Going Up Yonder
EULOGY	Pastor Terrance Kennedy
COMMITTAL	Pastor Terrance Kennedy
BENEDICTION	
RECESSIONAL	



CLARENCE (DADDY) WILSON was born in Birmingham, Alabama to Wash Wilson and Essie Thomas on January 15, 1934. He was the eldest of his siblings.

Clarence spent most of his adolescent years in Birmingham before enlisting in the U.S. Airforce. It was then, where he picked up his talent for boxing, which later became a sport he loved to watch. He proudly served his country from 1951 - 1954 and shortly after completing his service, he moved to New York City where he met the love of his life, Mary Collier. From their union came six children; Kyle, Jacqueline, Tameka, Rasheema, Clarence Jr., Aljaami, and (Khadijah). Clarence also loved and helped raise Mary's two oldest children; Dexter and Donna.

"Mickey", a nickname given by his loving wife, Mary, was a name that would follow him for years as a sign of adoration and respect that many of his friends and family members used in both Birmingham and New York. While he was Mickey to many, all of his children lovingly called him "Daddy".

Daddy was a self-employed man who spent most of his time sharing his wisdom and teaching others the importance of independence and self-sufficiency during the Jim Crow era. He was a major advocate for Black health, financial freedom and self-pride during a time of oppression. Teaching his kids self pride, respect, and love were only some of the gifts embedded in his heart. He made sure to keep his children active during their childhood with bike riding lessons and walks along Riverside Park. He was an active runner, golf and chess player.

He was also a member of the Nation of Islam, and constantly taught the importance of putting Allah and education first. Some of his proudest moments in life were attending his children and grandchildren's graduations. He was also an intelligent man. Daddy kept an avid library that was essential to his teachings of self pride and love.

Daddy touched many lives during his time on earth and never stopped showing loyalty or unconditional love. He was a patriarch that was a loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He always had a smile filled with love and gave life with every bone in his body. His love could never be replaced or forgotten. His legacy lives on with his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren for eternity. He leaves to mourn his passing: his loving wife, Mary; eight children, Kyle, Jacqueline, Tameka, Rasheema, Clarence Jr., Aljaami, Donna, and Kahdijah; twelve grandchildren, Devora, Lecia, Kashana, Kewanda, Dustin, Eurekka, Alexa, Deidra, Josiah, Rupiah, Joseph, and Veronica; nine great-grandchildren, Malaysia, Cashmaniyah, Taliah, Christian, Jordan, Jaeda, Aubrey, Shelby and Abram; four siblings, Doris, Debra, Linda and Horace and a host of other relatives and friends.