Letter From Heaven

To my dearest family, there are some things I'd like to say, But first of all, to let you know, that I arrived okay.

I am writing this from Heaven; here I dwell with God above. Here, there is no more tears of sadness; Here is just eternal love

Please do not be unhappy just because I am out of sight. Remember that I am with you morning, day and night.

That day I had to leave you, when my life on earth was through, God Picked me up and hugged me, and he said, "I welcome you,

It's good to have you back again you were missed while you were gone.

As for your family, they'll be here later on.

I need you here badly, as you are part of my special plan. There is so much that we have to do to save our mortal man".

God gave me a list of things that he wished for me to do. And foremost on the list, was to watch and care for you.

And when you lie in bed at night the days chores put to flight.

God and I are closest to you... In the middle of the night.

When you think about my life on earth, and all those loving years, Because you are only human, they are bound to bring up tears.

But do not be afraid to cry; it does relieve the pain. Remember there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain.

I wish that I could tell you all that God has planned, If I were to tell you, you wouldn't understand.

But one thing is for certain, though my life on earth is over, I am closer to you now, than I ever was before.

There are many rocky roads ahead of you and many hills to climb; But together we can do it by taking one day at a time.

It was always my philosophy, and I'd like it for you too; That as you give unto the world, the world will give unto you. If you can help somebody who is in sorrow and pain Then you can say to God at night... "My day was not in vain".

If you can help somebody who is in sorrow and pain,

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Celebrating the Life of



Duane Ivan Todman, Sr.

Sunrise: October 19, 1965 - Sunset: April 25, 2022



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DUANE IVAN TODMAN, SR. was born on October 19, 1968, in Charlotte Amalie, St Thomas Virgin Islands to Bernice Inez Miller and Donald Elroy Todman Sr who both proceeded him to eternal rest. Duane's mother, Bernice, moved the family to Harlem, NY that same year.

Duane attended George Washington H.S. before obtaining his G.E.D. at 17 yrs. old. Then, Duane went on to obtain a skilled trade in maintenance from the Berk Trade School when he was 19 yrs. old, He worked in the construction industry for many years before joining Goldwater/ Henry J Carter Hospital as a maintenance worker for over 20 years. Duane loved his job, rarely ever missing a day, and was a resolute worker and coworker.

Duane was a loving family-oriented man with a big personality. Dedicated to his wife, Aundrea for over 20 yrs., his children, and grandchildren. He was always willing to help his family and take the lead. Duane was responsible and punctual, he loved to tell jokes Duane's smile lighted up a room, and whoever came in his path he left an expression on them. In Duane's downtime, he liked to listen to music (preferably house music was his absolute favorite genre), he was a sports fanatic especially when it came to the Giants, you can also catch Duane talking smack into his headphones while playing his video games, reading books. Duane also loved to remodel and DIY home projects.

Duane's legacy will live on through his wife, Aundrea, his children Essence Todman, Deshawn Todman, and his Diggity Dog Caine, and his two grandchildren Genesis, and Elijah Todman. Duane was preceded in death by his son Duane Ivan Todman Jr (2020), older sibling's Sister Denise Inez Todman, and 2 brothers Errol Miller and Dexter Todman, Duane is survived by brothers Donald Elroy Todman Jr., Kevin Kung fu Todman, Avery Killer Turnbull, Devin Bobo Todman, DeVaughn Butchie Todman Sr, Jamal Todman; Sisters Erma Todman, Ena Patricia Miller, Donielle Todman and his aunt Irma Rabsatt, and his niece, Natasha Todman, along with countless nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Duane will truly be missed in this lifetime. Until we meet again...