

LABOR JULY 21, 1961 - REWARD JANUARY 8, 2023

Joyful Noise

Dwayne
Rahim
STEVENSON

*"And we know that all things
work together for good to them
that love God, to them who are the
called, according to His purpose."*

- Romans 8:28

*Lover of
God and Family.
Faithful Servant
And Friend.*

A Celebration of Life

Family Visitation

Sunday, January 22, 2023, 5:00 P.M to 7:00 P.M,
Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church
San Antonio, Texas 78210

Homegoing Service

Monday, January 23, 2023 at 11:00 A.M.
Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church
San Antonio, Texas 78210

Officiant, Reverend Dr. Dan Walker, Jr.

Pastor, Starlight MBC, San Antonio, Texas

Eulogist, Dr. Lester James Gillespie, Sr., Pastor

Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church, San Antonio, Texas



*"He Understood
The Assignment!"*



Rev. Dr. Dwayne Rahim Stevenson
Lover of God and Family. Faithful Servant and Friend.

Dwayne Rahim Stevenson was born to the late Thaddeus Johnson and the late Lottie Mae Stevenson Howard on July 7, 1961, in Brooklyn, New York. He was the youngest boy of six children, and was a kind and loving child and man of God.

Dwayne accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age. He was a faithful servant to Christ during his service in the military. Dwayne rededicated his life and was baptized in the Persian Gulf by Rev. Dr. Dan Walker, Jr., who was his Pastor at that time. Each time he was stationed in San Antonio, God led him back to the Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church. Dwayne was ordained as a Deacon prior to becoming an Associate Minister at Greater Love. He was licensed to preach the Word of God by his Pastor, Rev. Dr. L. J. Gillespie, Sr. He was installed as the Pastor of the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church in Kenedy, Texas, where he served for five years. Dwayne continued to be faithful to Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church and his Pastor, Dr. Gillespie, Sr., until the Lord called him home, on Sunday, January 8th, 2023.

Dwayne attended public school and graduated from the August Martin High School in Queens, New York, in 1979. Dwayne continued his education and received his Associate of Applied Science from Wayland Baptist University, in October 2005, a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Education, from Wayland Baptist University in October 2005, a Master of Theology, from Guadalupe Baptist Theological Seminary, in May 2013, and an Honorary Doctor of Theology Degree, from Guadalupe Baptist Theological Seminary, in May 2018.

Sergeant First Class Dwayne R. Stevenson began his military career in the United States Army on September 17, 1984, serving his country as an Infantryman. Sergeant Stevenson retired after 20 years as a Pharmacy Technician, on September 30, 2004.

After retiring from the Army, Dwayne spent time reading, collecting sports memorabilia, singing, and assisting elderly veterans. Since February 2007, Dwayne has been a member of Toastmasters International, and enjoyed supporting the organization. Dwayne absolutely derived great fulfillment and joy from his fellowship with his wife, grandchildren, family, and friends and loved spending time with them.

Dwayne met and married Jacqueline Renee Robinson, on January 3, 2009. He and his beloved wife enjoyed 14 beautiful years of marital bliss.

Dwayne was preceded in death by his parents, Thaddeus Johnson and Lottie Mae Stevenson Howard, a sister, Renee Stevenson; a daughter, Brooke Stevenson; and his father-in-love, George Johnson, Jr.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving and devoted wife, Jacqueline; two daughters: Courtney (Jonathan) Bolton, Sr. of Gulfport, MS. and Jovanna (Douglas) Delahay, of San Antonio, TX.; sisters Joann (Steven) Shooman, of Brooklyn, NY., Corrine Brown, of Queens, NY., and Keisha Adams Brown, of Baltimore, MD; a brother, Willis Stevenson, of Brooklyn, NY.; his Mother-in-love, Naomi Johnson, of Gulfport, MS. and Sister-in-love, Maria Johnson, of Gulfport, MS., grandchildren, Jonathan, Jr. and Cydney Bolton of Gulfport, MS., nieces, Maddison Cooley, Tiera Brown, Rikiya Brown, Savonnie Adams, and Brandi Melton, nephews, Jaiquon Johnson, Alfred Adams, Corey Adams, and Jaeden Adams, a great-niece, True Johnson, great-nephews, Elijah Brown, Brayden Johnson, and Darius Brown-Campbell, and a host of cousins, family and friends.

Order of Worship

Prelude

Processional

Pallbearers, Clergy and Family

Selection

Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church Rev. W. G. Gillespie Memorial Choir

The Holy Scriptures

Old Testament - Rev. Joe Barber - Pastor, St. Luke BC, SA, TX.

New Testament - Rev. Daniel Lee - Associate Minister, Prince of Peace Church, SA, TX.

Prayer

Bishop Harvey L. Langford, Liberty Grace Community Church, SA, TX.

Selection

Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church Rev. W. G. Gillespie Memorial Choir

Resolution(s)

Sister Gladys Hodges - Secretary, Greater Love MBC, SA, TX.

Reading of the Obituary *Silently* Soft Music

Remarks From Loved Ones - Family, Friends, and Organizations Supported

(2 Minutes Each)

Family (Johnson) - Deacon Bruce Johnson, Morning Star BC, Gulfport, MS.

Family (Stevenson) - Brother Rodney Parker, Hampton, VA.

Friend - Rev. Dr. Darrell Hodges - Pastor, Everybody's Church, SA, TX.

Friend - Rev. Brandon Thomas, Tampa Bay, FL.

**MUMD, San Antonio Chapter - Rev. Charles N. Wingfield - Associate Minister,
Westridge Park First Baptist Church, SA, TX.**

Guadalupe Baptist Theological Seminary - Dr. Wilma Cook, President

Solo

Deacon Bruce Johnson

Eulogy

Pastor Lester J. Gillespie, Sr., Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church, SA, TX.

Recessional

***"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness:
come before his presence with singing".***

Psalm 100, a-c (KJV)

With All My Love, From Your "Boo", Jacqueline...

"Peace, I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." John 14:27

I had the privilege of being the wife and partner to a wonderful, loving, kind, and God-fearing man. He was the love of my life, my protector, and best friend. His life taught me unconditional love and through his death I learned the true meaning of faith. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to share his dreams, hopes, love, friendship, and much more. My husband loved the Lord, which was evident in his walk and talk. He walked on his tip toes when he was excited and on fire for the Lord.



I will never regret the day I said "Yes" to you. You brought sunshine and laughter into my life. We became inseparable after our vows,



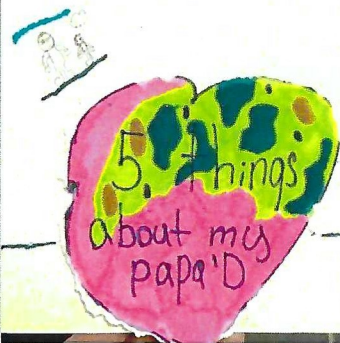
until God called you home. You were the perfect Papa to our grandchildren. You took care during your transition to ensure I would be okay. I thank God for allowing me to be there for you during your transition and giving us the time together. You, my love, as a man after God's own heart, how befitting you would choose to answer the invitation to life on a sunny, Sunday morning, when the doors of GLMBC were opened.



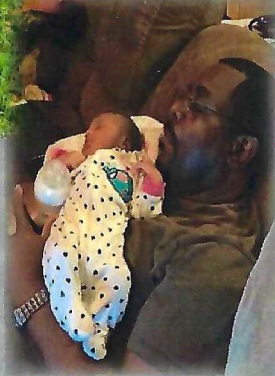
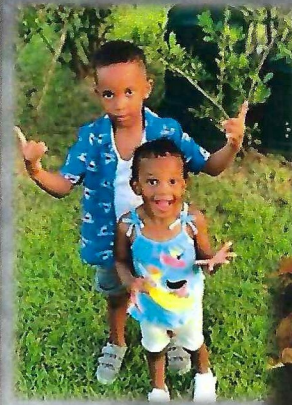
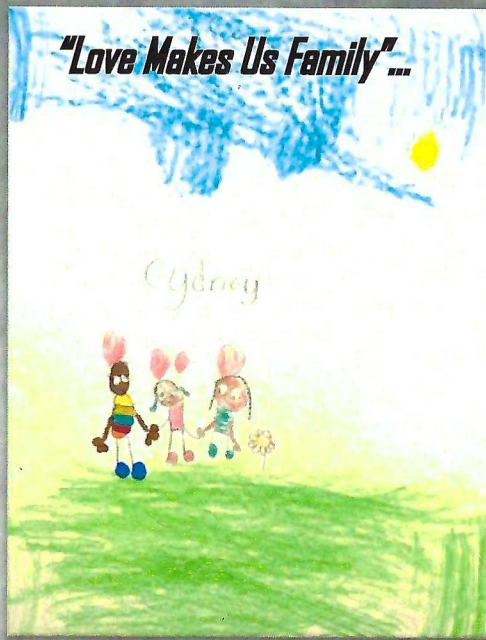
"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." Revelation 21:4

(My last note)

The only thing I did not want is for you to go away forever. We had such good times together and this is my last note to you. I hope you are happy in the clouds, but I know one thing you are still around. I will always see you in my ❤️ as I cry. Writing this note to you.



1. He was a preacher
2. He swam in the military
3. He was a parachuter
4. he loved rollercoasters
5. He loved his family.



Dwayne,

Dear Uncle Dwayne, I'm really sad that I can't see you anymore. I really miss you, I also miss your funny jokes, and watching movies at night with you. I wish I could see you again, it won't be the same without you.

I wish that you hadn't got sick. We could've done so much together. But at least I can see you in spirit. I will never forget about you.

Love, Maddison Cooley



Will always remember your special smile and your caring heart. The warm embrace you always had for our mother, us, and your grandkids. The fact that I never once heard you refer to us as anything other than your daughters, always meant a lot. Beyond us not always seeing eye to eye, you were there with us through good and bad times, no matter what. One thing's for sure...we'll always remember you, "Papa D".

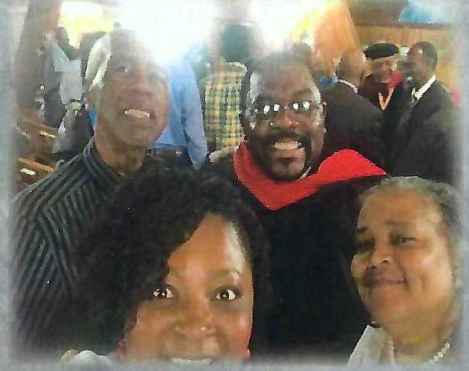
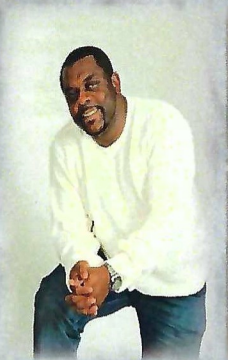
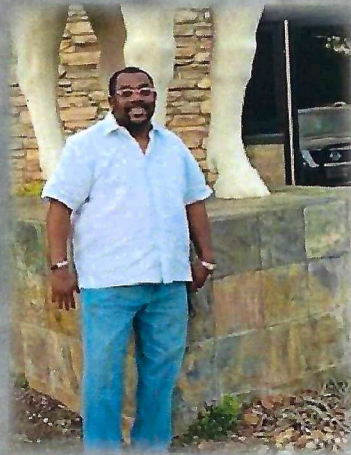
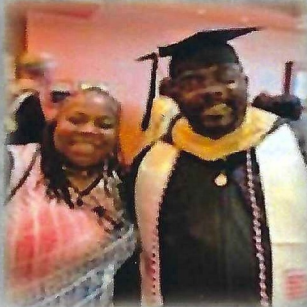
We shed tears because you have gained your wings, but we can smile because you have lived. Our hearts are heavy because we can't see you, but they are also full because you are no longer in pain.

We will forever cherish our memories with you. Thanks for being a great "Papa".

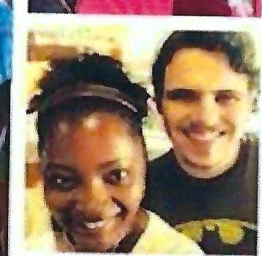
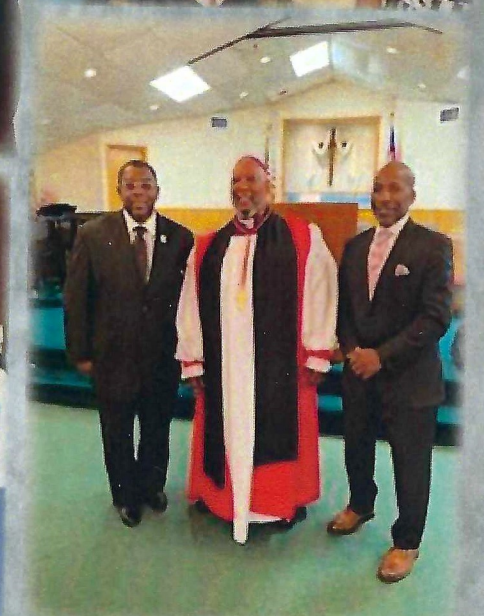
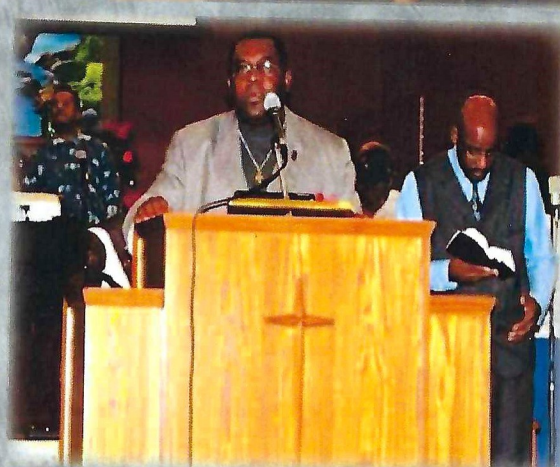
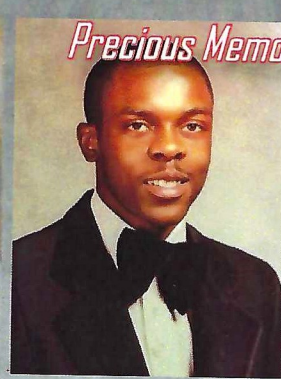
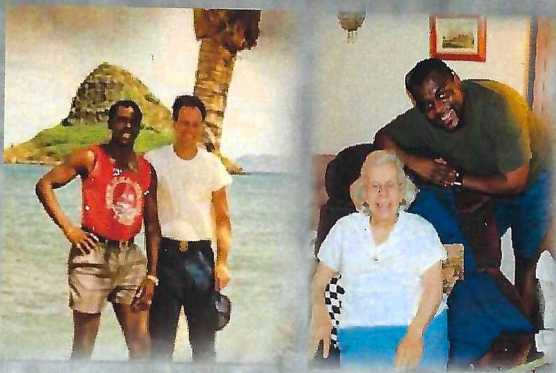
Courtney



Precious Memories



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PALLBEARERS

Deacon Melvin Banks
Deacon Albert Thomas
Deacon Robert White

Reverend Louis Fludd
Reverend Preston Sapp
Reverend Robert White

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

MUMD (Ministers United for Ministerial Development)
Guadalupe Baptist Theological Seminary
Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church Associate Ministers
Greater Love Missionary Baptist Church Deacons
Park at Escondido Neighborhood Association

SPECIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Reverend Dwayne Stevenson extends our heartfelt thanks for the love and sympathy shown by all, during the illness and passing of our loved one.

Your prayers, cards, visits, food, flowers, and attendance will always be remembered in our hearts.

May God's blessing be with each of you, is our prayer.

To God Be The Glory!

The Family of Reverend Dwayne Stevenson

REPAST

Repast to immediately follow Homegoing Service at the St. Philip's Episcopal Church
1310 Pecan Valley Drive, San Antonio, Texas 78210

INTERMENT:

Tuesday, January 24, 2023 | 10:00 A.M.
Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery
1520 Harry Wurzbach Road
San Antonio, Texas 78209

ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:

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"Never place a question mark where God has placed a period."