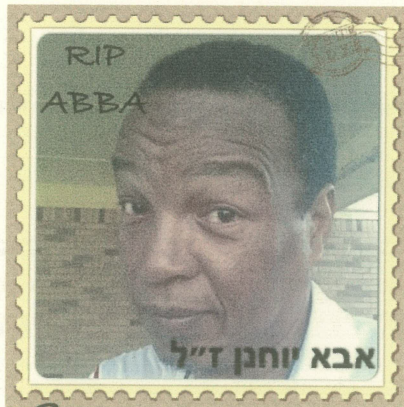
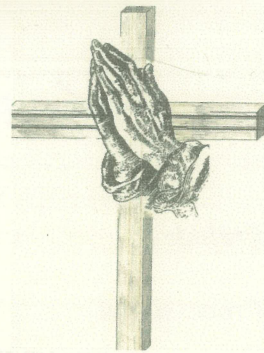


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Flower Ladies

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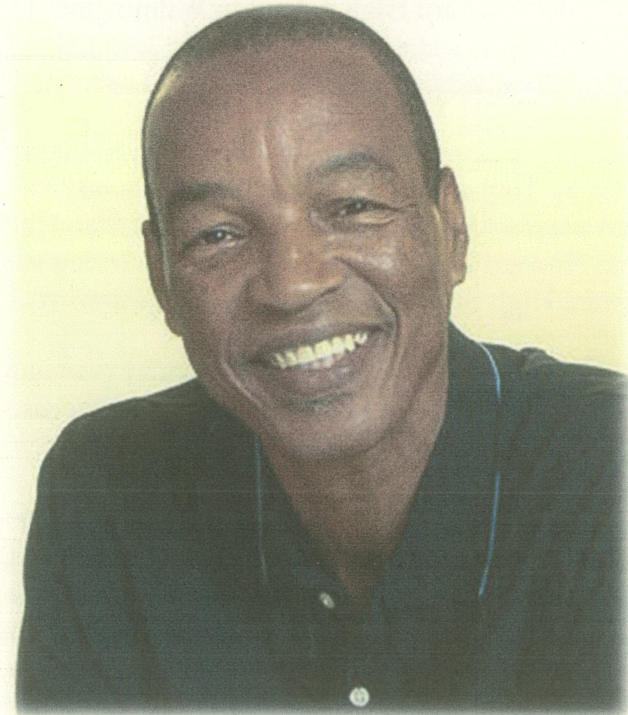


Acknowledgements

We, the family of Mr. John Lee Irving, wish to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation for the many acts of love, kindness and concern shown during the bereavement of our loved one. May God richly bless each of you.

The Irving Family

*Homegoing Services For
Mr. John Lee Irving*



Sunrise

June 24, 1953

Sunset

April 11, 2015

Saturday, April 25, 2015

1:00p.m.

Union Missionary Baptist Church

2470 Bruce Street,
Lithonia, Ga. 30058

The Reverend Edward L. Randolph, Pastor
Reverend Connie K. Graham, Eulogist



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Obituary

John Lee Irving was born on June 24, 1953 to John Irving, Jr. (deceased) and Angie Lee Irving in New Orleans, Louisiana and grew up in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He was one of six children.

John Irving attended Howard High School in Wilmington, Delaware from 1971-1972 and was a star basketball player selected first team all-state in 1972. John led the team in scoring and rebounding.

John led the team to a 22=2 record and led the team to the semifinals of the Delaware State Tournament. He was selected team MVP in 1971-1972 and played for coaches Jay Thomas and Stan Hill. John graduated from Howard High School in 1972. John Irving was inducted into the Delaware High School Basketball Hall of Fame in 2014.

John attended Hofstra University in New York after graduating high school and playing basketball overseas. John had many careers during his life but found joy working in the automotive industry.

John went to be with the Lord on April 11, 2015. John leaves his memory to be cherished by: his loving mother Angie, wife Doreen, brother Reggie, sisters Rhonda, Michele, Patricia and Debbie; children Ben Yokanon, Shabtie, Tseedkeeyah and Ydayah; their mother Delores Adinah; grandchildren Lilaq, Adinah, Melech, NasikLeeahm, Ofek, Daniella, Sarayah, Shabtie Jr. and Adin; his stepsons Antoine and Andre and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, relatives, friends and classmates.



Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Hymn.....

Scripture.....*Rev Connie K. Graham*

Prayer of Consolation*Rev. Connie K. Graham*

Reflections.....

Eulogy..... *Rev. Connie K. Graham*

Acknowledgements.....*Dr. Linda Young*

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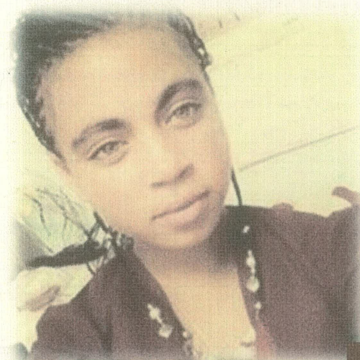
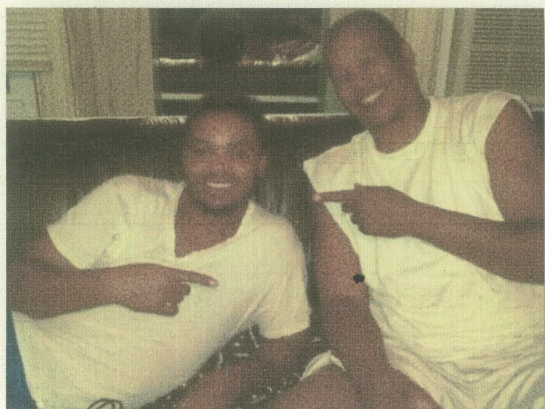
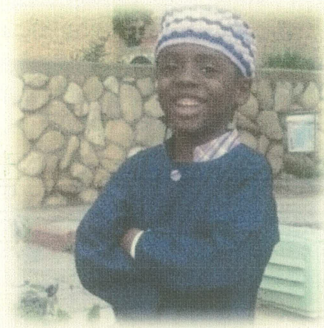
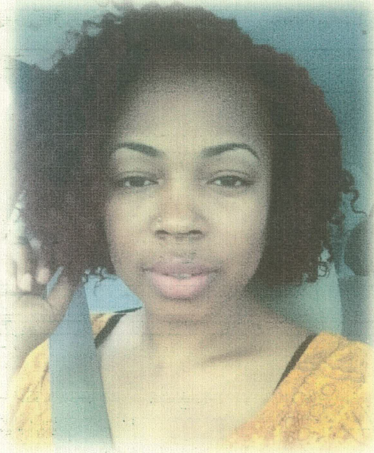
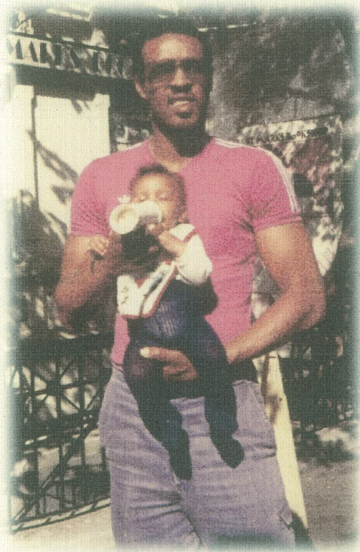
Postlude



Interment

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Expressions of Love

My Dearest John, I love you and miss you so much. I will forever cherish our love and will always remember all the laughter, fun and memories we created. We could talk about any and everything. I could not out talk you but I tried and I will miss that (I'd win sometimes). Our families became one family and have grown over the years and I'm blessed to be a part of a great family. I will keep you in my heart forever my love.

**Your Loving Wife,
Doreen**

To Our Brother and Son

From the time we were kids growing up until our late teens, you were my best friend. We did everything together. You weren't afraid to do anything and you inspired and sometimes even tricked me into trying different things. Sometimes it was to my own perils. From taking the car and burning out the transmission and leaving it where it stopped to staying at the movies pass dark causing our mother to yell out our names in a crowded theater and haul us out in front of our friends. We were even baptized together. The list of things and trouble we were in together goes on for years. You were very argumentative. I remember when we were walking down Bourbon Street in the New Orleans French Quarters arguing yet hugged up, our hands flying all over the place as we each tried to make our point. We would hug and walk some more and then again argue and again hug. In the last few years your overpowering desire was to turn things around with the family. Well brother you succeeded, you turned things around. Know that you are loved, and will be missed by all of us.

A Scripture from your sister Michele: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life". John 3:16.

A statement from Michele: So to you big brother, I'll miss you and I will always love you and I'll see you again one day.

A statement from your mother: You were my first son and you bare my middle names as yours. My heart will long for you for the rest of my life. I will always love and miss you.

John, you are not around but you are not forgotten. I will miss eating cake and snacks, while laughing and talking with you, Johnnie Boy. As well as hearing you called me Miss Z. Keep smiling and take your rest. I love you and God loves you best.

**Your Mother-In-Law
Zella Hickson**

