



David Lee Armstrong III

January 5, 1982 - October 20, 2014

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

THE LIFE OF

DAVID LEE ARMSTRONG III

Earthly Life Begin Earthly Life Completed

January 5, 1982 October 20, 2014

Monday, October 27, 2014

Viewing: 9:30 am

Service: 11:00 am

Meridian Hill / Cathedral of Christ Baptist Church

5354 Sheriff Road, Chapel Oaks, MD 20743

Overseer/Pastor Calvin Earl Cage, Senior

TRIBUTE

Our beloved David Lee Armstrong III was born January 5, 1982, at Sibley Memorial Hospital, Washington DC. On October 20, 2014, unexpectedly he depart this life at Sibley Memorial.

At the age of 7, David gave his life to Jesus Christ and was baptized along

with his sister, Claudia. He attended Meridian Hill Sunday School every Sunday, sang in the children's choir (Busy Bees) and the young adult choir (Young Crusaders), served on the Junior Usher Board, attended summer basketball camps, worked in the SIDNEY summer program, served as church Youth Leader until his health weakened. Most recently he joined the young men's leadership class. David was a Lyricist for Christ and was divinely metaphoric in his ability to communicate his life experiences to inspire others. David vividly described his life journey, the peaks and valleys, in a manner that spoke to the soul. The message of hope, perseverance, and endurance he spread through his gift, gave all Glory and Honor to God.

David matriculated through the Prince George's County Public School System (PGCPS), and graduated from Largo Senior High School in 2000. David always had a unique ability to connect with young children and began working at Cora Rice Elementary School in 2009 where he primarily worked with children who had special needs. From the very beginning he connected with his students and fellow co-workers, developing a deep bond that made them his second family. David truly loved his students and was passionate about his work. He proudly served as an assistant basketball coach and supported many school activities and events. In September 2014, David accepted a new school assignment to a public charter school in Laurel, MD where he was reassigned as an Itinerant Special Education Assistant. Although his time there was short-lived, he embraced his new role, loved his new students, and felt blessed by the new opportunity. David's patience, kind-hearted nature, and gentle spirit will resonate in the lives of the students and educators he was privileged to work with each day.

David lived a life of honesty, integrity, and humility. He loved God and his family beyond comprehension. During his struggle God allowed him to marry and become a loving husband and father. When you would see David, you saw Ava tagging right along. He treasured his baby girl and was grateful God blessed him and Selena with such a priceless gift. Some of you know how comical and nutty David could be. He was a classic prankster and enjoyed

teasing his family, buddies and friends. Joking, laughing and horsing around was his second nature. Everyone loved David Armstrong - both young and old. His spirit drew people from all walks of life, which was evidence of the God within him. David was gifted and highly favored by God and man despite the cross was chosen to bear. He touched many lives on his life's journey, and his walk embodied his life's theme – "my story...HIS GLORY!" His ability to serve God through his suffering without complaint, is David's true testimony and a lasting legacy to those who knew him.

David leaves behind to cherish his fond memory his beautiful wife, Selena Castello Armstrong; his daughter, Ava "Pretty" Nalani Armstrong; his loving mother, Gloria Phelps Armstrong, his father, David Lee Armstrong Jr. (Shirley); loving sisters, Claudia Maria Armstrong and Sabrina Champagne (Shawn) of Aurora, CO; grandmothers, Mary Pearl Phelps (maternal) and Bessie Armstrong (paternal); grandfather; Sylvester Phelps (maternal); loving aunts; Diane Phelps and Loretta Phelps Harley; loving god-mother, Donna Jeter-Cage; loving god-sisters; Kehli Cage, Kailyn Cage, and Kasi Cage; loving god-brother, Calvin E. Cage, Jr.; loving Pastor, Calvin E. Cage, Sr.; and countless cousins, life-long best buddies (Michael Brooks, Ronnie Johnson, Jason Moore, Terry Bazemore, Levold "Dexter" Perry), his Cora Rice Elementary School family, Meridian Hill/Cathedral of Christ Baptist Church family, and a host of beloved family and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRESIDING (Rev. Daryl Riddick)

PROCESSIONAL

OPENING PRAYER (Rev. James Richardson)

MUSICAL SELECTION (Choir)

SCRIPTURE READING OLD TESTAMENT – Psalm 27 (Donnell Richardson)

SCRIPTURE READING NEW TESTAMENT – 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10 (Rev.

David Venable)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS (Cyndi Blair)

MUSICAL SELECTION (Choir)

REFLECTIONS & TRIBUTES (Family & Friends 2 minutes)

MUSICAL SELECTION (Denise Forbes)

OBITUARY TRIBUTE (Read Silently)

MUSICAL SELECTION (Mustafa Johnson-EI)

EULOGY (Pastor Cage)

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL (Clergy, Family, Friends)

INTERMENT (National Harmony Memorial Park Cemetery)

REPAST (Meridian Hill/ Cathedral of Christ Baptist Church Robert S. Carter Fellowship Hall)

NOTE OF THANKS

The family of David Lee Armstrong III wishes to offer a heart-felt thanks to express our deepest appreciation for the many acts of love and kindness you have shown during our time of bereavement. David was our hero, and touched the lives of so many during his 32 year sojourn on this earth. Your prayers, cards, calls, visits, and loving expressions will never be forgotten.

May the Lord richly bless you and keep you. – The Armstrong Family Pallbearers – Terry Bazemore, Anthony Bennett, Michael Brooks, Calvin Cage Jr., Ronnie Johnson, Jason Moore, Levoid “Dexter” Perry, Donnell Richardson.

Cemetery Details

Harmony

Landover, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **27**. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Meridian Hill of Christ Baptist Church
5354 Sherriff Road
Chapel Oaks, MD 20743

Service

OCT **27**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *David Lee Armstrong III*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of David Lee Armstrong III.*



October 24, 2014 at 11:00 AM



“ *We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - October 23, 2014 at 09:49 AM