



LEROY BLANTON

November 16, 1933 - February 4, 2021

Obituary

Leroy Blanton was born in Natchez, Mississippi on November 16, 1933 to the late Robert Blanton Sr., and Charlotte Scott. His parents and siblings: Willie Brown, Robert Blanton Jr., Alice Stanton, and James Blanton all preceded him in death. His formal education was in the state of Mississippi. He attended Brumfield High School where he was a star basketball player. Scouts would come from all around to watch him play because of his outstanding skills and talents. His talent afforded him the opportunity to transfer to St. Francis private school, a predominantly Caucasian school. He was their star basketball player who set school records. Leroy graduated in 1951.

He relocated to Kansas City, Missouri in 1956 where he united with the Morning Star Baptist Church, there he was baptized and sang in the Male Chorus. Leroy later moved his membership to Sunrise Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Arthur Drummond and he served as a member of the Male Chorus and served on the Finance Committee. In January 1986, Leroy and his family joined the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor L. Henderson Bell, where he participated in the Adult Sunday School class and the Male Chorus. Leroy was a hard worker, amazing provider and he believed in taking care of his family. He was employed at Thompson Hayward Chemical plant for over 30 years. After retirement, never one to sit still, he worked at Mike's Mini Mart for a number of years. On September 27,

1998, he married the love of his life,

Carol White and gained two amazing daughters. They enjoyed fishing, eating out at different restaurants and enjoyed worshipping together at Mt. Pleasant. They also enjoyed spending time with their family and loving on their grandkids. Affectionately known as “Uncle Mane” and “Uncle Leroy” to some and “Lee” and “Fats” to others, he played such a large role in his family and community. An amazing man of valor, very humble, a protector of people and a father figure to so many, our gentle giant was always helping others. From mentoring the youth to helping them hone their craft of basketball, he was a well known basketball coach at the YMCA. He loved young people and was an encourager to all.

Leroy had an amazing sense of humor. He had an infectious laugh that would light up a room. He would love on you, then beat you in a game of pool, spades, or “bones”. He was a lover of sports and you would always catch him watching the LA Lakers, KC Royals, and the KC Chiefs. Leroy laid an amazing foundation and he leaves to carry the torch: His devoted and loving wife Carol Blanton Daughters of his heart: Akeea White and Santesha Waxter Grandchildren: Tyesh White, Keijanae Rayford, and Calleigh Waxter; Great-grandchild: Malachi Harris Sisters in love: Helen S. Blanton, Jannifer White, Debra Higgs; Brother in law: Venice White Special Cousin: Alfred “Little Daddy” Blanton Godson: Joe Davis; Special Daughters: Michel Foster and Rachella Ayers A host of nieces, nephews, family and friends who loved him dearly.

Funeral Services will be held at 11 am on Saturday, February 27th, 2021 at Mt. Pleasant MBC 2200 Olive St. KCMO 64127. Visitation 9:30am to 10:30am. Interment Forest Hill & Calvary Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Lawrence A. Jones & Sons.

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“ *Family, My heartfelt condolences go out to Blanton Family, Friends and Love Ones. All of us will surely miss Uncle Lee's presence, I am truly sorry for our loss but know he's in a better place with the Lord. He lives in our hearts and will not be forgotten, may his soul rest in peace. God Bless!*

Kenneth Robinson - February 27, 2021 at 08:03 AM