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My dearest brother Eric,

I can't believe you are gone. I'm going to miss our big brother to little sister talks we'd have from time to time. I'm so thankful for the time the Lord allowed you to be here with me. I'll see you in paradise.

*Love, your baby sister,
Robin*

Dad,
I love and miss you.

Love, Baby Girl

A parent losing a child is devastating, but a child losing a parent is tragic. There is nothing more I would give to just be able to hear his voice one last time. My dad was a very loving, caring humorous man, always there for everyone. He would always think about others before himself. Life doesn't always work out how you expect it to. I'm sure there are moments in everyone's life in which they say if I could go back in time there are a few things I would change, not many, but a few. I just wish I'd spent more time with him before this point in time. Life is too short and you never know when you're leaving, so live everyday as if its' your last. Make sure everyone you love knows you love them.

*Love,
Trinier*

Pall Bearers

Bro. Hollis Foster	Bro. John Williams
Bro. Darryl Williams	Bro. Alfred James
Bro. Stephen Foster	Bro. Kelvin Franklin
Bro. Richard Little	Bro. Marlon Thomas

Note of Acknowledgements

The Family thanks everyone for their many acts of kindness during this difficult time.



Celebration of Life *Eric L. Gray*

Sunrise
June 20, 1972

Sunset
February 27, 2012



Hopewell Baptist Church
1301 Fillmore Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14211

Saturday, March 3, 2012
Wake: 11:00 am
Service: 12:00 noon

Obituary

I am the resurrection and the life, he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

John 11: 25-26

Eric L. Gray was born June 20, 1972 in Buffalo, NY. He graduated from Burgard Vocational High School. Eric was a professional driver. He confessed Christ at an early age and was baptized under the leadership of the late Rev. J.F.D. Lyles. at the Hopewell Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his father Mr. Samuel J. Gray.

He leaves to cherish his memory his mother Mrs. Eloise Hunter; one sister Robin Hunter; one daughter Teairia Gray; one son Trinier Gray; 3 nephews Phillip, DeJaun and Troy Robinson; aunts, uncles and cousins, and a host of friends.



God saw you were getting tired,
and a cure was not to be.
So he put his arms around you,
and whispered "*come to me*".
With tearful eyes we watched you,
and saw you pass away.
Although we love you dearly,
we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
he only takes the best.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional Family & Friends

Scriptures

Old Testament: Eccl. 12:1-7

New Testament: John 14:1-7

Prayer of Comfort

Selection Hopewell Choir

Acknowledgement Sis. Annie Hooks

Obituary

Solo Sis. Loutricia Davis

Eulogy Rev. Dennis Lee, Jr.

Call for Salvation

Recessional

"God is my beginning, my hope, and my end."

My son Eric,

I thank God for the 39 years
that we had together. I will miss you.
You will live forever in my heart.

*Love you always,
Your mother,
Eloise*

