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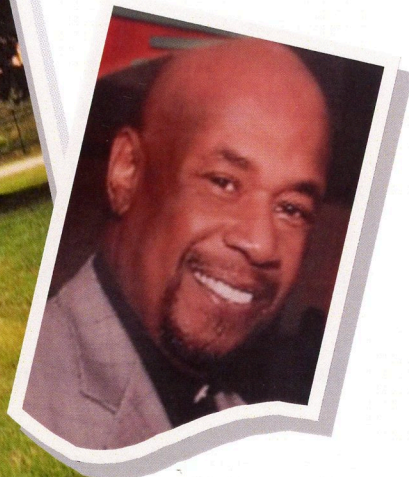
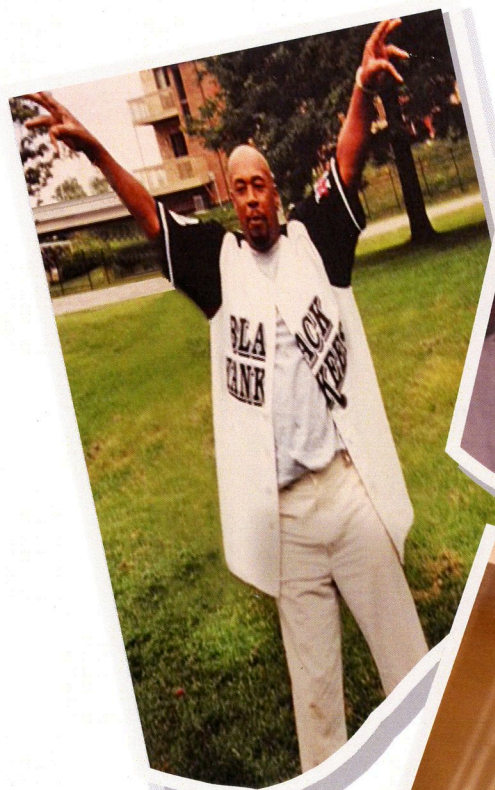
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We Love You Sonny



The family of Walter "Sonny" Hollins extends our sincere appreciation for all expressions of love and acts of kindness during our time of bereavement.

A Celebration Of Life

*Walter "Sonny" Hollins
aka
Lo Ryder*



*Sunrise
August 12, 1949*

*Sunset
December 28, 2013*

Friday, January 10, 2014
6:00 p.m.

Hopewell Baptist Church
1301 Fillmore Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14211

Dennis Lee, Jr., Pastor

Obituary

Walter "Sonny" Hollins was born on August 12, 1949 to Walter R. and Marie O. Hollins. He departed this life on December 28, 2013.

Sonny was a lifetime resident of Buffalo, NY. After graduating from Seneca High School, Sonny began his career at National Fuel Gas Company, where he was employed until retiring in 2005.

Sonny's hobbies included fishing, riding motorcycles, collecting antiques, cars, and listening to music. He was very kind-hearted and regularly made donations to the City Mission and other community organizations. Sonny enjoyed spending time with family and friends, and especially his sons, grandchildren, and great-granddaughter.

Sonny leaves to cherish his memory: longtime companion Gladys Bridges, sons Daryll (Jacqueline) and Christopher (Ventenese), grandchildren Daryll Jr., Justin, Cierra, and Christopher Jr., great-granddaughter A'Riyah, sister Sharon, nephews Kenneth, Walter, and Christopher Bishop, niece Ashley, former wife Marie Aletta, and special loved ones of the Bridges family: Kari, Josh, Kiyari, D.J., Darisa, Jada, and Darius. Sonny was preceded in death by his sister Sandra.

Sonny, you will always live in our hearts:

We do not need a special day to bring you to our minds.

The days we do not think of you are very hard to find.

Each morning when we awake we know that you are gone.

And no one knows the heartache as we try to carry on.

Our hearts still ache with sadness and secret tears still flow.

What it meant to lose you no one will ever know.

Our thoughts are always with you, your place no one can fill.

In life we loved you dearly; in death we love you still.

There will always be a heartache, and often a silent tear.

But always a precious memory of the days when you were here.

If tears would make a staircase, and heartaches make a lane,

We'd walk the path to heaven and bring you home again.

We hold you close within our hearts; and there you will remain,

To walk with us throughout our lives until we meet again.

Our family chain is broken now, and nothing seems the same,

But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again.

Memorial Service

Opening Remarks

Pastor Dennis Lee, Jr.

Scriptures

Old Testament

Ecclesiastes 12:1-7

New Testament

John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection

Acknowledgements and Obituary

Remarks and Reflections

Musical Selection

Words of Comfort

Benediction



Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Psalms 23:4