

THE CELEBRATION

PROCESSIONAL "NEW JERUSALEM" OLIVET MASS CHOIR

SELECTION "I'VE GOT A TESTIMONY" DEA. T.C. EVANS

SCRIPTURE READING PSALMS 103:1-4 ELDER MANUEL JOHNSON,
I COR. 15:51-58 PASTOR NEW FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING REV. JERRY HODGES
OLIVET M.B. CHURCH

SELECTION "THANK YOU" SIS. TERESA BLUIETT

SPECIAL REMARKS RALPH E. OWENS II, NEPHEW
MICHELLE H. MCPHERSON, SISTER
DR. DOUGLASS PETTY, PASTOR
FRESH START BIBLE CHURCH

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES SIS. ALBERTEAN
MINOR

SELECTION "STAND" DEA. T.C. EVANS

"THE RIDE" READ SILENTLY "GRATEFUL"

THE MESSAGE ELDER DARRELL R. HAMILTON II
MT. CALVARY CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

BENEDICTION

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INTERMENT

JEFFERSON BARRACKS
NATIONAL CEMETERY
2900 SHERIDAN RD
SAINT LOUIS, MO 63125

REPAST

NORTH COUNTY
REC CENTER
2577 REDMAN AVE.
SAINT LOUIS, MO 63136

PRAISE BE TO THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD
JESUS CHRIST, THE FATHER OF COMPASSION AND THE
GOD OF ALL COMFORT. II CORINTHIANS 1:3

CASKET BEARERS

DARRELL R. HAMILTON I TRISTON T. HAMILTON

DARRELL R. HAMILTON II RALPH E. OWENS II

MARK H. HAMILTON II RICHARD J. MCPHERSON

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE OLIVET M.B. CHURCH FAMILY
AND EVERYONE FOR THE LOVE THAT HAS BEEN SHOWN TO US
DURING THIS SEASON. WE CAN TRULY SAY THAT GOD HAS
REMAINED FAITHFUL TO US ALL THROUGH YOU!

WITH THE ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE,
THE HAMILTON FAMILY

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



Mark
HILLMAN I
Hamilton

02.18.1963 - 04.04.2023

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023

10:00AM SERVICE

OLIVET MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
12200 NEW HALLS FERRY ROAD
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63033

Mark

Mark Hillman Hamilton I was delivered to us by his parents, Russell J. Hamilton III (transitioned September 16, 2008) and Corean Cowsett Hamilton on February 18, 1963 in St. Louis, Missouri.

He was the fifth child and was afforded unsolicited favor. He grew up in a household where biblical principles were taught and modeled which led others to identify him as having come from good stock. His parents embraced their role and diligently trained him along with his siblings: Vera Jamerson (transitioned July 6, 2015), Renee Owens, Regina Johnson (Manuel), Carl J. Hamilton I (transitioned June 12, 2017), Michelle (Richard J.) and Darrell R. Hamilton I (Kimberly). The Hamilton Household Terms and Conditions were clear and consistently enforced at 4545 Adelaide Avenue. It was there that he was introduced to structure, chores, curfews and consequences when ideal choices weren't made. There was no question that Joshua 24:15b, "...but for me and my house we will serve the Lord" was the culture and in full affect daily at the childhood home.

He was introduced to Jesus Christ at an early age. Mark accepted Him as Lord and Savior when he matured in the knowledge of Him. His spiritual training took place at home and the Olivet M.B. Church. Mark was baptized; he was active in Sunday Church School, Baptist Training Union, Willing Workers Choir and the Youth & Young Adult Choir. He played on the Road Dogs Soft Ball Team and participated in other activities offered through his church.

Mark enjoyed sports and social activities. He could often be found in the alley playing Cork Ball with his peer neighbors. They would often go to O'Fallon Park to play football for

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hours at a time; however when the street lights came on he knew to make haste getting home. He really appreciated and valued his childhood friends. One of his favorite traditions with them was to strategically hide in between parked cars and also in the alley on their birthdays; it was understood if the birthday honoree was seen outside on their special day, there would be repercussions. They would be chased, caught and birthday licks were in full force from each peer in celebration of the special day. After everyone had their turn giving licks, it was business as usual. Mark matriculated through the St. Louis Public Schools achieving a High School Diploma from O'Fallon Technical High School in 1982.

He was gifted in Graphic Arts and attended Florissant Valley Community College to sharpen his talent. After a stint at the community college, Mark pivoted and joined the military. His solid foundation prepared him for a successful career in the United States Army. Mark's military Active Duty status began in 1983. He received numerous Honors such as: the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, Sharpshooter, Army Service Ribbon and more. After his Honorable Discharge Mark returned to civilian life and remained connected to the military through the reserves.

Mark took an interest in the Car Sales Industry as a means to provide for his family. This Test Drive lasted over 20 years and included Cavalier Ford, Dave Sinclair and Bommarito Nissan. Mark had a thriving career by the grace of God and a desire to help customers get reliable transportation regardless of their financing options. His disposition and concern for others was

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rewarded in many bonuses and sales incentive trips. He was meticulous in his appearance and how he presented himself to the world. His demeanor and sense of style commanded an attention posture followed by a salute; however his comical personality quickly put those that he encountered at ease. Mark could be counted on for unlimited laughs; he was a bona fide comedian.

During his time with us Mark racked up a lot of mileage doing things his way. Some of his choices had favorable outcomes while others prompted him to modify his approach to various situations. He was built with tenacity and strength which propelled him along his journey. Mark recognized over the years that God was sustaining him in spite of himself and obstacles. No matter what his circumstances were particularly in the later years, he willed himself to move forward. The turbulent times in his life yielded a greater understanding of God's devotion and love for him. It compelled him to be more demonstrative in his praise and gratitude.

Mark's final drive among us was in the pursuit of rest for now. Our Heavenly Father honored his request and granted him a sweet slumber on April, 4, 2023. He has left a full tank of memories for his children: Danielle Marshall (Wayne Jr.), Shirreia Scruggs (Jonathan), Shirlene M. Hamilton, Mark H. Hamilton II, Halston Hamilton-Williams, Triston T. Hamilton and Gabrielle M. Hamilton; 4 grand-children: Daelen Marshall, Rayven Marshall, Makai Marshall and Har'Moni Hamilton; mother, siblings, 2 Brother-in-Laws, 1 Sister-in Law, nieces, nephews, cousins, and a host of friends.