



Braven Otiere Duffy

October 6, 1956 - January 25, 2019

Braven Otiere Duffy, passed away peacefully, on Friday, January 25, 2019, at his residence in Lakewood, Washington. He was the first-born son into the union of Braven Otiere Duffie and Odelia (Bundick) Duffie, at Beebe Hospital, Lewes, Delaware. As a child, Braven was unique, very rambunctious in his behavior, curious and always into something. Therefore, he attained his earlier education from the “board of education” applied by his father, which taught him how to pay attention to whatever was being taught. He completed his formal education and graduated from Cape Henlopen High School, Lewes, Delaware.

His first name, according to User from Colorado State, means popular, handsome, and honest. Those of us who knew him, knew he lived up to his name. Braven was well-mannered and obedient. He would often hang out with his friends at night in the neighborhood and only missed a few curfews, unlike one of his siblings, who learned how to get away with climbing in his bedroom window, only to be confronted by his mother while sneaking in.

Braven worked small jobs with his great uncle in the landscaping business in and around the Rehoboth Beach area, helping his mom and dad make ends meet. The environment and the opportunity for advancement in achieving his goals, were not quite sufficient in this area during that time. Braven expected more than what he was getting. As a result, he took the advice of his dad and

chose to go into the military, and there he found himself, and made his career; discipline and excellence were his lifestyle. He was meticulous about everything, having to have everything in its proper place which made him stand tall as a leader among his fellow men. Braven had a certain wisdom while making decisions, be it regarding his family, his country, his neighbors, or himself. Staff Sergeant Braven Otiere Duffy earned his medal for Meritous Service Award for Excellence, along with four Good Conduct Medals with Oak Leaf Clusters. He provided twenty years of service, succeeding in spite of the challenges that the enemy put in his way.

Braven stood tall as a Christian when he received salvation. He loved to sing and praise the Lord. He and his family lived in Bad Kruezdnock, Germany. While there, they attended an English speaking church, sung as a family and were happily received for the duration of their duty. They continued singing when they returned to Delaware. Braven knew the Lord and was an Excellent Soldier and has passed on to salute his Commander, Jesus Christ, with the shout of triumph, "Mission Accomplished, SIR."

In addition to his mother, Odelia Duffie, Braven was preceded in death by his brother, William; sister, Teresa; and nephew Derek.

Braven O. Duffy leaves to cherish his memories, his son, Braven Dwayne Leggins (Jaynell) of Greenwood, DE; daughter, Marie O.H. Duffy, of Lakewood, WA; his dad, RET/MSG-E7 & D:MIN/RET Reverend Braven O. Duffie, of Lewes, DE; siblings, Faye Smith of Milton, DE, Reverend Sonja Ayers of Lincoln, DE, Reginald Bundick (Vera) of Lewes, DE, Melinda Barrett (Ronald) of Louisville, KY, Sherman Duffie (Melody) of NC, Reverend Winfred V. Duffie, Sr. (Rena) (Founders of Greater Glory Kingdom Ministries of Onancock, VA) of Dover, DE, and Daryl Duffie (Tynice) of Harbeson, DE; three granddaughters, Ke'osha, Taire and Tara; grandson, Amarie; aunt, Annie Lee Trammell; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Braven, we know that you had to go, for whatever reason that you could not stay; although you have gone, we will continue pressing on, because our hope is not gone; so we are not saying "Goodbye", we are just saying "So Long," hoping to see you again some Day in a Great Big ALL IN THE FAMILY kind of way.

Lovingly submitted by the Family

Tribute Wall

PW

“ To the family, My sincere condolences in the passing of Braven. Please find comfort in the words of Revelation 21:4, "And he (God) will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.\u201d

Phyllis W. - May 06, 2019 at 12:38 PM

SH

“ To the Family, Please accept my heartfelt sympathies for your loss. God said, \u201cLike a man whom his own mother keeps comforting, so I myself shall keep comforting you people.\u201d Isaiah 66:13. Sherry

Sherry - February 09, 2019 at 12:58 PM

IR

“ Sorry for the passing of your love one. Read Isaiah 41:10 for words of comfort and peace.

Irene - February 07, 2019 at 11:58 AM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss Jesus Christ Loves Me We Love You

Thomas Widgeon - February 06, 2019 at 06:27 PM

JO

“ Dear Family, Grief can be so hard at times, but our cherished memories help to cope. Hold tight to those memories. Lean on each other for support. And may you find comfort in God\u2019s promise at Matthews 5:5).

joyceA - February 05, 2019 at 06:16 PM