



## Darius Patterson Riley

January 6, 1988 - April 10, 2018

Darius Patterson Riley Ross was born on January 6, 1988, at Kent General Hospital, to Mary and Walter Ross. Although not enough time spent here on Earth with us, God, knowing best and needing him more, called him home on April 10, 2018, at the age of 30.

Born and raised in Dover, Delaware, Darius attended Capital School District. He worked various jobs throughout the years including Courtland Manor, Dover.

Darius enjoyed sports, playing basketball and rooting for his favorite football team, the Baltimore Ravens. Darius always carved out time a few times a week to watch professional wrestling with his parents. He enjoyed spending time with his family sharing endless stories, memories and laughs. He had a memory like an elephant, and never forgot anything, so no one was safe from a "Darius memory". When he wasn't spending time with his family, Darius would hang out with his best friend/brother Lamar "Bodie" Reed and his cousin, Gerard McDonald. In his spare time, Darius would get dressed to kill, empty every hair product jar and cologne bottle in the house, just to be going absolutely nowhere.

Darius was so kind and caring, always showing concern, questioning and wondering how everyone was doing. Wise beyond his years, Darius was quick

to offer advice and words of encouragement to anyone he felt needed it. All of the kids loved Darius and he would entertain them without hesitation.

We are all so blessed to have known and to have loved Darius. His million dollar smile, and the grin that he kept on his face, will truly be missed, but forever embedded. A huge piece of a beautiful puzzle is now missing, but shall be filled with memories and stories of our son, brother, uncle, nephew cousin and friend.

Darius was preceded in death by his sister, Lenay Harrison and her husband, Bennie Harrison of Magnolia, DE. He was survived by his parents; Walter and Mary Ross of Dover, DE; sister, Valerie Riley of Dover, DE; two brothers, Anthony Riley of Dover, DE and Walter "Lee" Riley and his wife Sheryl Riley of Woodbridge, DE; eight uncles; seven aunts; four nephews, three nieces; five great-nieces and nephews.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am sorry to read of the untimely passing of your fun loving and compassionate son Darius. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. It may comfort you to know that God's Word the Bible holds out a sure hope of seeing Darius again. He will be just as vibrant and healthy as he was before. This hope is found at John 5:28,29 as well as John 6:40. This hope will be made a reality by means of God's Kingdom in which we pray for in the Lord's Prayer. Once again I am sorry for your loss.

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**Nancy** - April 26, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. May the words of our loving heavenly Father bring your family comfort and strength during this most difficult time as He promises to bring our loved ones back to life to a perfect earth, where there will be no more suffering or death (John 5:28-29 & Revelation 21:4).

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**Cathy** - April 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry For Your Loss!  
Jesus Loves Me!

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**Thomas & Libby Widgeon** - April 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss of a loved one. Read Psalms 34:18 for words of comfort and peace.

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**Irene** - April 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I would like to offer my sincere condolences for your loss. In such difficult time, many families appreciate the comfort offered by the Bible of the time when no one will lose a loved one in death and we will be able to enjoy life again with Darius Riley our loved one. (Isaiah 41: 10). I hope these thoughts comfort you also.

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**JoyceA** - April 16, 2018 at 12:00 AM