



Gordy Vernon Broderick

January 25, 1962 - June 3, 2021

BRODERICK'S JOURNEY...

Broderick Vernon Gordy departed this life peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, June 3, 2021 at his home in Chamblee, GA.

Broderick, affectionately known as Brod, was born on January 25, 1962 in Salisbury, Maryland, to the union of the late Robert L. and Roberta H. Gordy, Sr. He was the second of four children. Broderick was raised in a loving Christian home and he grew up as a faithful member of Union United Methodist, where he often graced the congregation with the gift of his beautiful voice as a member of the Youth Choir. He loved to sing Gospel music. He was frequently asked to sing solos, specifically the song "Precious Lord" which would bring everyone to tears.

Broderick proudly graduated from James M. Bennett Senior High School in 1980. He was passionate about playing the Baritone in the Marching Band and Concert Band where talent and skill earned him the First Chair position. He also performed in Plays, played Football on the JMB JV Football Team and ran Track.

After graduating from High School, Broderick attended Howard University in Washington, DC. His career path focused on working in administration for the

court system and community support. He worked as Legal Clerk for the US Bankruptcy Court and for J. Gadson Law Offices. He also worked with grant writing for the Center for Community Change. His love for people led him to be in Counseling roles as well.

Broderick always had a great love of music. He would spend hours watching the Blue Devils and Carolina Crown Drum and Bugle Corps on YouTube and he traveled to attend their performances in person. He sang in the Youth Adult Fellowship Ensemble (YAFE) and the Adult Choir at the Metropolitan Baptist Church, led by Richard Smallwood.

Broderick loved to live his life to the fullest and he made sure that he kept his family, friends and God at the center of everything he did. He had the best sense of humor that kept everyone laughing, and he was famously known for the hilarious Memes that he would often post on Facebook and his love of Scrapple, German Chocolate Cake and Dumplings. His greatest passion was being at home in Salisbury spending quality time talking and laughing with the loves of his life, his brother, Robert and his sisters Kathy and Wendy. Everyone loved his infectious laugh and bright genuine smile. He was a great listener and always offered words of advice and encouragement. To know Broderick was to Love him.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory a Brother, Robert L. Gordy, Jr (Iris) of White Marsh, MD; Sisters, Katherine (Ronald) Richardson, Wendy Gordy of Salisbury and Barbara Gordy of Delmar, MD; an Aunt, Gracie Maybelline Gordy of Salisbury; a Niece Taylor Gordy; Nephew, Robert L. Gordy III; Great-Nephews, Christian and Maxten Gordy; Great-Niece, Kenzley Gordy and a host of Cousins and friends.

SORROWFULLY SUBMITTED ~ THE FAMILY

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **18**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bennie Smith Life Celebration Center
901 West Isabella Street
Salisbury, MD 21801

In Lieu of flowers, you may make a monetary donation to support the JMB Band in Memory of Broderick V. Gordy to James M. Bennett High School at 300 E. College Avenue, Salisbury, MD 21804.

Visitation

JUN **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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901 West Isabella Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Bennie Smith Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



Bennie Smith Funeral Home - June 19, 2021 at 11:20 AM

DJ

“ *Dereyk Jones lit a candle in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



Dereyk Jones - July 26, 2021 at 08:40 AM

DJ

“ *Saddened to receive information that Broderick V. Gordy expired. We were students at Howard University back in the 80's. Sending my condolences to his family there in Salisbury, Maryland. Dereyk Jones - Washington, DC*

Dereyk Jones - June 21, 2021 at 08:28 PM

OS

“ *My condolences to the family of the late Broderick, may you 🙏 rest in peace*

Otis Smiley - June 20, 2021 at 08:57 AM

IL

“ *I remembered my cousin always being of great spirit and making us laugh. He never judged anyone. He simply loved everyone. My family truly lost a great one here on this earth and I am praying for my family and especially for sisters and brother.*



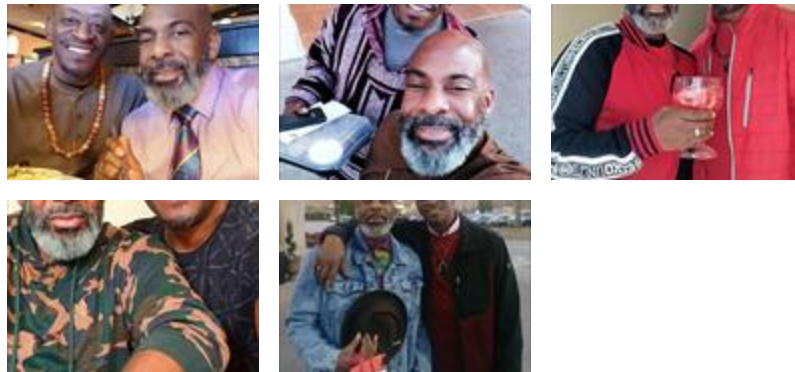
ileitta - June 19, 2021 at 08:56 AM



“ Well... I am still in disbelief and saddened! Broderick was a special friend to me! I met him while in graduate school. We shared a lot of time together. He was a faithful member of GOVD (Gentlemen of Valor & Distinction) a group I started back in 2013. This is where Broderick and I met. He was Mr. Onyx to many, but to me he was Broderick.

I want to offer my most earnest and sincere condolences to the family. I remember Broderick calling his sister everyday at 6pm. A few times we had the pleasure of talking as well. This was one of those special moments I will always remember. I learned a lot from Broderick and he learned much from me. This was a true loss for me and I know for the family and his many friends across the world.

Broderick made a big impression in the world and especially to all of his family of friends in Atlanta. We will miss him! Especially me.



Norman Wilson - June 19, 2021 at 07:04 AM

DJ

Norman Wilson. Saddened to hear about Broderick's death. We attended Howard University back in the early 80's. My name is Dereyk Jones, Washington, DC.

Dereyk Jones - June 23, 2021 at 08:29 PM

CP

“ *My Condolences To The Family Members In These Hours of Bereavement. Prayers For Strength and Comfort In The Days To Come.*



Calvin Parker - June 18, 2021 at 01:03 PM

EE

“ *Ella Edwards lit a candle in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



Ella Edwards - June 18, 2021 at 07:11 AM

KC

“ *Kevin Capell lit a candle in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



Kevin Capell - June 18, 2021 at 01:23 AM

DK

“ *DONNA KNOPF lit a candle in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



DONNA KNOPF - June 17, 2021 at 04:01 PM

CH

“ I am blessed to have him as a cousin. Whether it was a family function or just a phone call, We would always end up in full blown belly laugh, so much that we would need to separate for a few. Laughed so hard that our side would hurt. Now the hurt is from the loss of my friend/cousin but it will soon be replaced with fond memories.



Will miss you much! Love you cousin!!!

Charlita Hearn - June 16, 2021 at 11:48 PM

OS

“ ONYX Southeast purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Gordy Vernon Broderick.



ONYX Southeast - June 16, 2021 at 09:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gordy Vernon Broderick.



June 16, 2021 at 05:30 PM

WM

“ *Walter Murray lit a candle in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



Walter murray - June 11, 2021 at 12:41 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Gordy Vernon Broderick.*



June 11, 2021 at 11:41 AM

CW

“ *One of my oldest friends in Atlanta. He helped me get thru some very difficult moments and never judged me.*

Chef Brian Ward - June 09, 2021 at 05:44 PM

RA

“ *Robert Anderson lit a candle in memory of Gordy Vernon Broderick*



Robert Anderson - June 09, 2021 at 11:24 AM

RA

“ I’m going to miss answering the phone and hearing heyyy Rod-er-Rick and me replying heyyy Brod-er-ick. It’s evident that you touched a lot of people and your legacy will truly live on which is one of the greatest gifts anyone can leave behind.

Roderick Alexander - June 09, 2021 at 11:19 AM

 Joe Robinson

“ To the Gordy family,
Each time Brod journeyed to see his family, we traveled to and from with him. He talked about the closeness, love and bond he shared with his brother and sisters. His stories allowed me to feel connected So I extend my condolences to you all from one of MANY individuals your brother impacted. His TRUE FRIENDSHIP will ALWAYS be remembered as Brod was a TRUE FRIEND/BROTHER
Respectfully submitted,
Joe Robinson

Joe Robinson - June 09, 2021 at 08:20 AM