



Preston Theodore Barkley

April 17, 1936 - September 6, 2020

Preston's Journey

Preston Theodore Barkley, at the age of eighty-four (84), departed this life on September 6, 2020. He was born on April 17, 1936 to the late Theodore Barkley and Lillian Belle Johns in Baltimore, Maryland.

Preston received his education in the Baltimore City public school system. After school, Preston had many jobs, but settled into a career at Armco Steel where he retired after twenty-five (25) years as a foreman. In his early years, he attended First Apostolic Church in Baltimore, where he was Baptized.

Preston enjoyed the outdoors, and loved to fish and hunt. He could be found outside cultivating fruits and vegetables in his garden. In his spare time, he loved to bowl. He was the captain of his bowling team, and under his leadership the team earned many trophies, of which he was very proud. Preston was also an avid singer, and he formed a spiritual singing group in the early 60's. The group was so successful, they even released a single.

Preston was a very proud and outspoken man. He would speak his mind at any time without caution to anyone. One of his famous quotes was, "I'm going to tell you what God loves and that's the truth!", but he was also a very generous man. He would help you out with bills, cash, food, etc. If you needed

it, he was always there to give it to you.

Those left to cherish precious memories of Preston are: his former wife, Gale Barkley; his sons, Preston Ricky Barkley, Kevin Barkley and Rodney Barkley; two daughters, Theresa Holland and Belinda Walker; twenty-one grandchildren; a host of great grandchildren; his sisters, Pauline F. Davis, Ruth Scott, Amanda E. Graves and Lillian M. Jackson and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his sons, Theodore Kenny Barkley, Anthony Barkley and David Barkley.

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“ *With deepest sympathy,*

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