



Mr. Merlin Joseph Fontenette Jr.

September 15, 1963 - January 11, 2022

Mr. Merlin Fontenette, Jr.

Merlin Fontenette, Jr. a native of New Orleans and resident of Opelousas, LA passed away on January 11, 2022 at the age of 58. Merlin was the son of Rosalie B. Fontenette and the late Merlin Fontenette, Sr.

He is survived by his mother; wife, Latoya Fontenette; three sons, Jarett Black (Teneal), Ashton Fontenette and Kesmond Smith; two daughters, Shaquana and LaCarlaneshia Smith; four grandchildren, Sevion, Samar and Christian Black and Bryson Williams; two siblings, Dwayne Fontenette, Sr. (Joneita) and Rev. Tianna F. Buie (Jeremy).

He was preceded in death by his father; grandparents, Rev. Joseph and Sarah Benoit Sr. and Rev. Edward and Thelma Fontenette; a sister, Patrina Fontenette; a great aunt, Jessie Mae Rodgers; an uncle, Joseph Thomas Benoit, Jr. and a nephew, D’Juan O’Neil Brown.

Family and friends are invited to attend Merlin’s Celebration of Life Service on Saturday, January 22, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Opelousas Family and Worship Center, 386 Compress Rd. Opelousas, LA 70570. Visitation will begin at 8:00 AM. Bishop Albert Richard, officiating. Interment will follow in Serenity Memorial Park in Opelousas, LA.

Share words of comfort with the family at www.williamsfuneralhomes.net

Funeral arrangements are entrusted to Williams Funeral Home of Opelousas, 337-942-2037.

Tribute Wall



“ Rest easy brother. I will see you, Patrina and your dad again one day.

Troy Reese - May 30, 2023 at 04:38 PM



“ Mr. Merlin Joseph Fontenette Jr.

January 28, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ You are in my thoughts and prayers at this time.I pray that you will find peace and strength as you reflect on the promises of GOD.

Joyce Coleman - January 21, 2022 at 01:35 AM



“ My deepest condolences to the Fontenette family. It was indeed a pleasure working with the Fontenette family. Keeping Mrs. Fontenette and her family in prayer.



Glinda Carmouche - January 19, 2022 at 11:05 PM



“ MonChere Paul lit a candle in memory of Mr. Merlin Joseph Fontenette Jr.

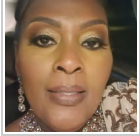


MonChere Paul - January 19, 2022 at 04:45 PM

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“ Praying God Comforts your family 🙏🙏 Thanks for being a great Neighbor Merlin you won't be forgotten cuz as we called each other.

Ashley - January 19, 2022 at 12:53 PM



“ My husband and family offer our deepest condolences to the Fontenette family. Our prayer is that the Lord will provide great comfort and peace in your time of bereavement. What a blessing Merlin was to many a man with hands that help, hands that give and hands that serve. Merlin had such a great love for the Word of God and was always striving towards his growth in the Lord. Let he without sin cast the first stone.....Take your rightful place Merlin. Bro-n-law will miss you checking in on him.
Love you Bracy and Faye



Affirmation Point - January 19, 2022 at 12:13 PM

SS

“ Heartfelt condolences and deepest sympathy to the family and friends. Lifting you all in prayer.

Sandra Smith - January 19, 2022 at 10:11 AM

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“ My condolences and prayers to the Benoit and Fontenette Family.



Lillian Rideaux-Savoy - January 18, 2022 at 02:40 PM

LB

“ *Lorraina Butler lit a candle in memory of Mr. Merlin Joseph Fontenette Jr.*



Lorraina Butler - January 18, 2022 at 10:32 AM