



Charles Thomas McGinnis

November 18, 1957 - January 31, 2014

Charles Thomas McGinnis was born on November 18, 1957, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was the son of the late Bernice Kane-McGinnis and Russell McGinnis. "Choli", as he was called by family and friends alike, and his siblings were raised in the then closeknit community of the Hill District. As a youth he attended and was baptized in St. Benedict the Moor Church. He was educated in the Pittsburgh Public School System and attended Fifth Avenue High School. Also during his school years, he pursued his interest in music as a member of the Ozanam Strings. This was a well known and well received afterschool music program when talented children from Pittsburgh's urban neighborhoods participated in a music education and performance program. He thrived in this environment where he played the drums and performed throughout the city with the "Strings". He was one of more than 200 students who performed over 50 concerts a year collaborating with many jazz stars. Choli was employed by the Daily's Juice Company for many years in addition to working at the Herron Avenue Rec Center. He was united in marriage to Kim Turner in a union that would last 32 years and produce three children. Choli always greeted you with a smile. He was caring, compassionate, loved his family, and did not have an enemy in the world. He liked to play cards, was an excellent pool player, and an avid Pittsburgh Steelers fan. On January 31, 2014, Charles Thomas McGinnis suddenly departed this life. He is preceded in death by sisters: Edith Kirby, Phyllis Clinton, and Gloria Blair; and brothers: Reuben Kirby and Robert McGinnis.

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted and beloved wife, Kim Turner-McGinnis; children, Charles, Prescious, and Keenan; siblings, Janet, Russell, and Stanley McGinnis; brothers-in-law, Harvey (Carla) Turner and Ahmed (Latasha Stevenson) Turner; nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends too numerous to mention.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Benedict The Moor Church
91 Crawford Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Service

FEB 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Charles Thomas McGinnis

January 29, 2023 at 12:45 PM



“ Charles Thomas McGinnis

January 29, 2023 at 10:10 AM



“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Death is the enemy of all mankind, yet when it touches us personally, few find the comfort they search for. The doctrines that are taught concerning death find their origins from men and not the Bible. As a result, they fail to leave those who are grieving with comfort or a hope. They do however, leave many with unanswered questions. The response that "God works in mysterious ways" or that "God needed another angel", does not satisfy the spiritual needs of those who are grieving. However, many have found comfort in the pages of God's word the Bible (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). In God's word we find the promise that we can be reunited with our loved ones (John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15). The Bible tells us where this happy reunion will take place (Psalm 37: 11, 29; Matthew 5:5). We are told why we die (Genesis 3:17-19; Romans 5:12), and that the God of the Bible will end death forever (Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:3,4). Learning the truth about Jehovah, the God of the Bible (Psalm 83:18), God's Kingdom (Daniel 2:44), and the state of those who have died (Ecclesiastes 9:5), is the start to finding true comfort concerning loved ones who are sleeping in death (John 11:11-14; John 8:32. It is of vital importance to learn what the Bible really teaches concerning death. For more information please visit the website jw.org.

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