



## Virgil "Wimpy" Rice

July 17, 1957 - December 15, 2018

Virgil "Wimpy" Rice JR 61 lifelong resident of West Mifflin, PA. Born to the late Virgil Rice SR. and the late Jeanette Copper-Rice on July 17, 1957 in Homestead, PA Oldest sibling to Gina Lynne Rice-Cannon(deceased) and Darcel Yvette Rice-Parnell.

Wimpy graduated from West Mifflin North High School where he played a variety of sports. His love for sports continued into adulthood where he played softball as a member of the Rankin Buds and the Homestead Grays. Wimpy was joined in matrimony to Beverly Mott in the 1970's. Wimpy was employed by Giant Eagle for many years and he also was a caregiver. He worked side by side with his father in their family business until the doors closed. Wimpy was an active member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church and a member of the male choir.

Wimpy was an avid football fan of the Pittsburgh Steelers and Homestead Grays. His boisterous laugh was infectious. He always greeted you with a hug and kiss and a "that's what I'm sayin"

Wimpy leaves behind to cherish his memory. His son Richard Leicht, (3 grandchildren), Step daughters Dawn Wilson (2 grandchildren), Donja Wilson (4 grandchildren), Kathleen Haynes (4 grandchildren) and Sarah Wilson (2 grandchildren); sisters Darcel Yvette Rice-Parnell and Honary sister Shumane Troutman;nieces Shawnte Robinson,Charlese Cannon and Marquia Parnell; nephews Charles "Mann" Cannon JR, Kelvin Parnell JR, Chad Cannon, and Chase Cannon; brothers-in-laws Charles Cannon SR. and Kelvin Parnell SR.

His longtime companion Darlene Mason and his faithful sidekick (Little Bit) his dog who was by his side until the end and a host of aunts,uncles , great nieces, nephews, cousins, others relatives and good friends too numerous to mention.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **19**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Emmanuel Baptist Church  
245 3rd Street  
Rankin, PA 15104

## Service

DEC **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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245 3rd Street  
Rankin, PA 15104

## Interment

DEC **20**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Monongahela Cemetery  
1111 4th Street  
North Braddock, PA 15104

# Tribute Wall



“ Virgil "Wimpy" Rice

January 29, 2023 at 12:45 PM



“ Virgil "Wimpy" Rice

January 29, 2023 at 10:10 AM



“ To Wimpy' Family,

*We knew your real name was Virgil Jr, but you were always "Wimpy" to us. I send my condolences to Darcel and your family. We attended school together, graduated together.. I even remember watching you run track in Jr High. Rest in peace old friend... Say Hi to "Jeep and Gina" for me.*

*Respectfully,*

*Dr. Madelyn Pressley  
Bowie, MD*

**Madelyn Pressley** - December 21, 2018 at 03:07 PM



“ Cuzin Lois Whiddon & Daughters! lit a candle in memory of Virgil "Wimpy" Rice



**Cuzin Lois Whiddon & Daughters!** - December 20, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ Hello, My Condolences 2 the FAMILY 🙏.

Priscilla Lawson - December 18, 2018 at 12:52 PM

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You are truly going to be missed by so many uncle wimp. Im going to miss seeing you everyday. I love you rest easy fly high 💕💕💕 R.I.P

Stephaine - December 18, 2018 at 10:34 PM

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Virgil im going to miss u everyday. I know your in a better place no more pain. I love you with all my heart and im going to miss u everyday. Love your other half and best friend Darlene 💕💕💕💕

Stephaine - December 19, 2018 at 10:08 AM

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*Darcel & Family*

*May God be With You...Wimpy...as You Rest In Peace. I and my Sisters will Sadly Miss You.*

*Jo Etta & Chance Family*

Jo Etta - April 17, 2019 at 04:24 PM