



## Damien R. Saunders

February 23, 1981 - December 9, 2017

DAMIEN ROBERT SAUNDERS was born a passionate Pisces, on February 23, 1981 to the late James Robert Gilyard, Sr. and Delores Saunders.

He came into this world in an unexpected way- born with a shield of two other siblings connected to him-his twin brother and twin sister, A"Trio."

"Rat" or "Twin" is what Damien was affectionately called growing up by all who knew and loved him. He always gave you the most perfect, wide and bright smile that you can see a mile away, and it would light up any room.

Damien received his education in The Baltimore City school system and graduated from Francis M. High School.

Damien was a family man, he loved when everyone would get together to cook, and have a great time. He would always say "This Saunders Family sho" can cook!" Damien and Dorein always loved to cook together, and were great at it. They worked together cooking in restaurants but with those dreads, people always had trouble telling them apart. He was a jack-of-all trades. He was great with his hands so he decided to attend North American Trade school for HVAC, and was able to become a maintenance tech with BWI-Hampton Inn Hotel. He was promoted rather quickly throughout the company and later became a shuttle bus driver. He loved his job which was undeniable

and his family learned how much his co-workers and customers loved him. That's just how great Damien is. He made an impact on ALL the lives of the people he came in contact with.

Damien was preceded in death by: his grandfather, Percy James Saunders; grandmother, Lula Mae Saunders; three brothers, Stanley and Raymond Gilyard and Dorien Saunders; four sisters, Tammy, April and Deionna Saunders and Shelnechia Gilyard; uncle, Gregory Saunders; six aunts, Deborah Brown, Darlene Bell, Madell Gilyard, Willie Mae Johnson, Ida Mae Hines, and Klara Gilyard; three nephews, Eddie Philip Young III, Te'Jionn Wilson, and Stanley Allen Gilyard Jr.; four nieces, Nathya Burton, Tabatha Gilyard, Sabrina Gilyard, and Trinity Gilyard; his extended family, Brenda Russell, the late Eric Jones, Momma Clair Jones, Sharon Jones, Eric Jones Jr. and Tavon Liberto; his devoted partner of nine years, Lakia Jones; and a host of great-aunts and uncles, cousins, and friends that he truly cherished!

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC **22**. 11:30 AM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Damien R. Saunders*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *my favorite memory of you is all that we had together from wen we first met wen was two to u being the best uncle every when ever i needed you u were there for me (gradutions u were there proms that wern"t even mine u were there birthdays if u could make it u were there) and now that all my imporant stuff s coming i wont have you physically there but i prey that u will be there in spirt i hope you are resting in peace and not worrng about us down here we will see u wen we make t to paradise wth you*



**Thy Brown** - March 20, 2018 at 02:08 AM



“ *Knew you for years, just don't seem right but I will never question God plan. My prayers are with your mother, sister, brother and the whole family. May God keep them and lift them doing this time.*

**Jennifer McNair** - December 21, 2017 at 04:06 PM



“ *Jaye, Andrea, Rebecca, Kiiba, Rita and Paul purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Damien R. Saunders.*



**Jaye, Andrea, Rebecca, Kiiba, Rita and Paul** - December 21, 2017 at 11:07 AM

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“ *Rita Greene lit a candle in memory of Damien R. Saunders*



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**Rita Greene** - December 21, 2017 at 10:54 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - December 18, 2017 at 08:06 AM