



John T. Bailey

September 5, 1934 - June 14, 2017

JOHN THOMAS BAILEY, JR., son of the late John T. Bailey and Elsie Speights, was born on September 5, 1931. He departed this life on June 14, 2017.

He received his education at Frederick Douglass High School. His career encompassed a variety of avenues. He worked in advertising sales at the AfroAmerican Newspaper, he was employed by Otis Elevator, he worked as a cha-cha dance instructor, and he opened up a shoe shine stand at the grand opening of the Baltimore Inner Harbor. He worked for the Housing Authority of Baltimore City from 1958 until 1967. He was the proud owner and operator of a Royal cab from 1967 until his retirement. He took great delight in singing for his fares calling himself "the singing cab driver". He also established "Busy Bee's, Inc." after his retirement. Additionally, he was a member of the American Society of Composers, Authors & Publishers and a member of the Recording Academy. He was a dedicated and faithful member of St. Vincent De Paul Catholic Church.

He married Louise C. Bailey, and out of this sixty-four year union five children were born: John T. Bailey, III, Francine Parker, Deborah Edmonds, Carole Bailey and Denise Bailey. He was predeceased in death by his wife, Louise Bailey, his sister, Mary Frances Page, and his only son, John T. Bailey, III.

Ask anyone who knew him and they will tell you that his greatest passion was music. He was a prolific songwriter, and entertained others with his singing everywhere he went. Mr. Bailey was quite a character with tremendous self-esteem, and did not mind sharing a piece of his mind whether solicited or not. He would have been delighted to know that the Park Heights Community Group is in the process of also naming Pall Mall Road "Bailey Way".

Mr. Bailey leaves to mourn: his four daughters, Francine Parker, Deborah Edmonds, Carole Bailey and Denise Bailey; one sister, Patricia Wilson; one brother-in-law, Charles Webster, Jr.; one sister-in-law, Doris Talbert; three granddaughters, Sarrina Kearney, Maya Maroto and Mariah Bailey; three grandsons, Gregory Kearney, II, Lawrence Bryant, III, and Anthony Raymond; fourteen great-grandchildren; a niece, Patricia Bailey; two nephews, Eugene Bailey and Christopher Bailey; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

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1101 Sulphur Spring Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21227

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 29. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
(410) 542-2400
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Family Hour

JUN 29. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

JUN 30. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Service

JUN 30. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *John T. Bailey*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Thom And Yolanda lit a candle in memory of John T. Bailey*



Thom and Yolanda - June 28, 2017 at 03:12 PM



“ *My sincere sympathy to the family in the loss of your loved one. May you find fond memories to be comforting to you. Especially may you be comforted by knowing God cares for you (1 Peter 5:7).*

A.H. - June 23, 2017 at 04:39 PM



“ *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.*

March Funeral Homes - June 19, 2017 at 07:11 AM