



## Leo Jerome Martin, Jr

October 12, 1984 - August 17, 2024

### SUNRISE

On October 12, 1984, the earth was blessed with the arrival of a wonderful son, brother, father, nephew, cousin, and friend. His name was Leo Jerome Martin, Jr. He was born one of a set of twins to Vastina Mayes and Leo Jerome Martin, Sr. (deceased). He departed this life peacefully in his sleep on 8/17/2024.

### DAYLIGHT

Leo, better known as "Manny," grew up receiving his education in the Baltimore City Public School Systems. Manny held various positions in his life but the role he loved most as of being a father.

He was overjoyed being the proud parent of seven beautiful children. He spoiled them rotten with attention, time, love, and gifts. If you saw him, you would see them as well. He was big on education for his children, often using himself as an example to of motivation to do better than him.

Having grown up in a close-knit family, he spent much of his time with them. Along with his affection for his own family, he also cherished his extended family, frequently gathering all his nieces, nephews, and the kids of his cousins and taking them to the store, gym, basketball court, park, and family cookouts. He was a firm believer in maintaining physical fitness. He would

walk anywhere and everywhere without hesitation and take his kids with him. Few kids or adults could withstand the rigorous exercise regimen Manny would subject them to. He was so devoted to his family that he gave a kidney without hesitation to save his cousin.

Manny had a passion for sports, in particular basketball and football. He cherished being a coach as much as he loved playing. He was a man of many interests and talents; he enjoyed playing video games and rapping as Manny "Mo." He was an enthusiastic worker and loyal friend, if you needed something done in a hurry you could always depend on him, no questions asked.

He accepted God and was baptized with his family and a host of friends present. Even though he experienced hardships in life, he ALWAYS maintained a positive outlook and an intense sense of self-worth, regardless of how challenging obstacles became for him.

When you first met Manny, you were immediately welcomed and had your heart warmed by his contagious smile. Because of his kind demeanor, sense of humor, laughter, and unwavering happiness and thoughtfulness, you left as friends.

His mother and sisters served as his main source of inspiration. They pushed him to reach his full potential, and he never forgot their advice and constantly tried to improve upon himself.

## SUNSET

Though Leo Jerome Martin, Jr. may no longer walk beside us, his memory will forever be enshrined in the fabric of the lives of those he leaves to cherish his memories: his mother: Vastina Mayes(Margaret Codorl), seven children; Leo III, Damontae, Mniya (Melissa Wheeler), Anmanuel (Sheria Way), Jevon,

LeAsia, and Martin (April Blow), seven extended children; Quan'tae, Willim, Aniya, Amanda, Taniyra, Tiyyuan and James, three grandchild; Ja'Kaari, Leo IV(deceased), and Zarielle, three sisters; Tynisha Kadiri, Brenda Allen (Jamal Allen), and his twin sister/best friend Lia Martin (Rodrick Coney), on brother; Dominic Brown, one brother/cousin; Horace Hill, eighteen nieces and nephews with a unmatched bond with; Jhytae, Zanara, Tymonyai, Iyal, Zakah, Aallayh, and Tajae, three best friends; James Smith, Tavon Prettyman and Michael McLaurin, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins and close special friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Private

Baltimore, MD

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 30. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home - East  
1101 E. North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21202

## Wake

AUG 31. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall

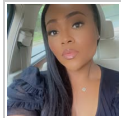


“ *March Funeral Homes created a Webcast for Funeral on Leo J. Martin, Jr. in memory of Leo Jerome Martin, Jr*



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**March Funeral Homes** - August 31, 2024 at 09:20 AM



*Manny Mo!! I am here thinking of your voice - Hey Big Sis, Hey Big Sis. So many unanswered questions. It has not been easy. Not one day goes by without thinking of you or mentioning your name, the memories are not enough, just wish you were here!!! Your life changed us all and you Mr absence is felt! .. Love ya! Love ya! Love ya!*

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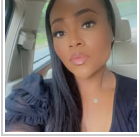
**LetLive LiveLife** - April 05 at 05:09 AM



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**LetLive LiveLife** - April 05 at 05:36 AM



“ *Manny Mo!!!! I am thinking about you. A year is getting closer and I am feeling drained and overwhelmed with 8/17 approaching. You keep me inspired to keep going and making a difference. You forever believed in me and still do!!! Love you from the depth of my soul. Always, BIG SIS*

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**LetLive LiveLife** - July 16, 2025 at 10:30 PM



“ *One month today I Miss You So Much Twin*



**Jerie Martin** - September 17, 2024 at 06:50 PM

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“ We got you bro

*Man, it's crazy how much we love you. From day one, you were our heart, our strength, and our guide. You were loved, deeply, by all of us. We cherished every laugh, every moment, every piece of advice you dropped on us like it was gold. You always kept it real, and we respected you for that.*

*You were more than just a brother—you were our leader, our protector, our friend. You always had our back, no matter what, and we're here to let you know we got you too. We're holding it down for you, just like you did for us.*

*The streets, the hood, everyone who knew you, they all knew what a real one you were. Your love was pure, your respect earned, and your memory is something we'll carry with us forever. We'll honor you, live for you, and keep your name alive in every way we can.*

*Rest easy, bro. We got you.*



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**brenda** - August 31, 2024 at 09:09 AM

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“ Ciara & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leo Jerome Martin, Jr.

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**Ciara & Family** - August 29, 2024 at 10:49 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Leo Jerome Martin, Jr.



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August 29, 2024 at 10:49 AM

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“ *Ashland Ave. Tears: A Son’s Tribute to His Father*

*You always had a way of making me believe in myself. You gave me the confidence to rock my smile and embrace my black skin, no matter what the world threw at me. You were my biggest hype man, and I’ll never forget that.*

*Man, you could talk! I swear, you wouldn’t stop! Every time, I’d be like, “Give me a sec, Manny,” but you just kept going. Your favorite line was always, “I’m not trying to talk your head off,” and then you’d go right back at it! I’m really gonna miss those 1-on-1s, especially after work, playing the game, smoking, and just vibing with you. Those moments were everything to me.*

*You taught me it’s okay to be vulnerable, to let it out. We cried a lot together on Ashland Ave—it was just me and you against the world. Now, I’m here, crying without you, but I know you’re still with me in spirit.*

*I’m the last Leo Jerome Martin standing, and I promise I’m gonna keep our legacy alive. They’re gonna remember us, Dad—forever. Even after hundreds of years, the name Leo Jerome Martin is gonna mean something because of you and what you passed down to me.*

*Rest easy, Pops. I got us.*

*From his first born son*

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**brenda** - August 27, 2024 at 02:42 PM

“ *The Legacy of a Strong Loving Father*

*Manny, as I sit here thinking about you, I realize just how much of you is still with me. You taught me to be resilient, to stand strong when life got tough, and to never give up. You were the strongest man I knew, and because of you, I know I can face anything.*

*But you weren't just tough; you were funny as hell. You had this way of making everyone around you laugh, even when they didn't want to. I swear, no one could light up a room like you did. That sense of humor was something special—just like you.*

*You were loving, too. You had a smile that you shared with everyone you met, a smile that made people feel seen and appreciated. And as much as you were strong and funny, you were also a leader. You guided us boys with a firm hand and a full heart, and because of you, we're still standing. We're still here because you showed us the way.*

*You were more than just a dad to us; you were a great uncle to all your sister's kids, too. And of course, you were your mother's only beautiful son. I know she misses you deeply, but she's proud of the man you were.*

*And let's not forget, you were loud! Man, you were always so loud, whether you were cheering us on or just letting us know you were there. That's something I'll never forget, and honestly, I wouldn't want to. Your voice, your laugh, your presence—it's all still with me, and I'm grateful for that.*

*Manny, you were everything to us—strong, funny, loving, a leader, and loud in the best way possible. We miss you more than words can say, but I know you're still guiding us from up there, just like you always did down here.*

*From his second born son Damontae (Turk)*

brenda - August 25, 2024 at 08:03 PM

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“ *Time We Thought We Had*

*I miss you so much, brother. I thought we still had so much time—time to change, time to grow old together, and time to see what life had in store for us next. It feels unreal that you're gone because in my heart, you were supposed to be here, right by my side, through it all.*

*But I want you to know, it's not your fault. None of this is your fault. I hope you've found peace, and I want you to rest easy knowing that I will carry our memories with me forever. You'll always be a part of me, no matter where you are.*

*Until we meet again, my brother. I love you.*

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brenda - August 25, 2024 at 01:43 AM

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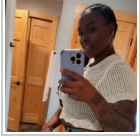
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**brenda** - August 25, 2024 at 01:41 AM



“ You died unexpectedly. I hope you found peace.  
It will be hard not having you here for our birthday or life events. I always assumed you would be around since we came into this world together.

*Death has separated us, my twin brother, But love and memories will keep us together. I remember the days we spent together, The laughter, the tears, the joys, the weather.*

*I remember the moments we shared, our secrets, our dreams, our hopes, and our dared. I remember your smile, your face, Your love, your care, your big hugs, your grace.*

*Even though death has taken you away, Your memory lives on, in my heart to stay.*

*I'll cherish the bond that we had, A bond that death can't erase  
So rest in peace, my twin, In a place where pain can't bother.*

*I will remember you.*

*Until we meet again I will look to the sky and search among the stars for my TWIN and BESTFRIEND.*



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**Jerie Martin** - August 23, 2024 at 06:51 PM

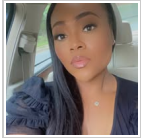


*“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Leo Jerome Martin, Jr.*



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August 22, 2024 at 03:56 PM



*“ Words do not explain how deeply you are loved and will be missed...Rest my dear brother we will reunite again. Forever, Big Sis*

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**LetLive LiveLife** - August 20, 2024 at 04:29 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - August 20, 2024 at 10:08 AM