



Leon Thomas

May 10, 1957 - May 19, 2019

LEON THOMAS, son of Sam W. and Bernice Thomas, was born on May 10, 1957 in Baltimore, Maryland. He transitioned this life on May 19, 2019.

At an early age, Leon attended Nazarene Baptist Church with his family. In his later years, he would sometimes attend Calvary Baptist Church and accepted Christ as his personal savior. Leon received his education through the Baltimore City Public School system. He attended Forest Park High School where he was a member of the baseball team. Leon worked with his father, Sam at the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company. He then became employed with the Burman Carpet Company.

In 1976, Leon met his sweetheart Michelle Keeve, and from this union, Jose Deon Keeve, whom he lovingly called “#1 Son,” was born.

He loved many types of music. In his early years, he was a guitarist in the Boarman Avenue Band. His love of music was also enhanced by his employment in record stores across the city, under the ownership of “Moon Man.” Leon would sometimes hear music from the front yard, walk up the street to the church and sit in while the church’s choir would rehearse.

He was also an avid fan of baseball, not just a spectator of his beloved “NY Yankees” as he displayed his natural talent in a hardball league for the

metropolitan area. He was a gifted, left-handed catcher who was known to hit with power and had a cannon for an arm. Many would joke that when Leon would hit a baseball, you would never find it. He would attend Orioles games with his friends. Leon also watched football and would cheer on the Baltimore Ravens.

Affectionately known as “Geech” and “Lee”, he had a kind, humorous, and helpful nature. He also enjoyed giving out nicknames, especially to his family members. Leon took trips to the park with his son Jose and dog named “Pete.” He was often the designated babysitter and chauffeur taking his nieces to dance classes. He would cut the neighbors’ grass and even found ways to earn a few dollars venturing out to other neighborhoods to cut grass. Leon especially loved spending time with his grandson Noah, whom he lovingly called “Sir Noah,” “My Little Rascal” and “#2 Son.”

Leon was one of seven children. His father, Sam W. Thomas preceded him in death. Also, three sisters preceded him in death: Leyoma “Tinkie” Thomas, Minnie Lorraine “Rene” Akindojutimi, and Tysonia Thomas.

Leon is survived by: mother, Bernice Thomas, one son, Jose Deon Keeve of Baltimore, Maryland; two brothers, Sherman L. Thomas, Sr. (Carolyn) of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Anthony Thomas (Debra) of Baltimore, Maryland; one sister, Clementine Thomas of Baltimore, Maryland, one aunt, Margaret Covington of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; two brothers-in-law, Wilson Akindojutimi and Vernon Thomas both of Maryland; one grandson, Noah Jose Keeve of Baltimore, Maryland, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Previous Events

Family Hour

MAY **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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viewing

MAY **24**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

MAY **25**. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Leon Thomas*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *For more than 12 years, he never called my name no matter how many times I told him what it was. Rather, Leon would always greet me with "Hey, Miss Lady!" Leon was a staple on Boarman Avenue and I will miss seeing him walking down the block or just sitting on his porch taking in the sights.*



It was time to go home. Rest, my friend.

Patricia Vest

Patricia Vest - May 25, 2019 at 08:07 AM



“ *Simply Happy Kalanchoe Plant was purchased for the family of Leon Thomas.*



May 25, 2019 at 07:51 AM



“ *I am sorry to read about your loss. May God's words in the Bible at Ps 34:18 provide you comfort. The scriptures tells us "HE" is near to those broken at heart, and those crushed in spirit HE saves.*

Peggy Land - May 22, 2019 at 12:25 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Leon Thomas.*



May 21, 2019 at 03:23 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 - May 21, 2019 at 07:52 AM