



William Shuemake

April 20, 1976 - August 24, 2002

William Shuemake III, son of Virginia and William Shuemake, Jr., was born on April 20, 1976. His life tragically ended on August 24, 2002. He was fondly known by all that knew and loved him as “Little Tojo.” Tojo was educated in the Howard County Public School System and in 1994 he graduated from Oakland Mills High School. In 1998 he graduated from Clark-Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia, majoring in Business and Hotel Management. In 2000 he graduated from the Art Institute of Atlanta majoring in Culinary Arts. Tojo had a larger than life personality. He had a slow smile that would broaden into one that could warm the coldest December. He was excited about life. Tojo’s zest for life and knowledge were the source of food he fed to his family and friends. Tojo loved to cook and eat especially enjoyed watching other people eat the dishes he prepared, even though he would at times get upset with his mother who would put hot sauce on some of his more fancy culinary dishes. Tojo possessed a positive and bright outlook on life and enjoyed many lasting friendships. These traits attracted people of all ages who enjoyed his conversation and company. He was a carefree, gentle, and fun-loving man. In his short time on this earth, Tojo imparted many lifetimes of love and joy to many. Tojo’s love will continue to live in the memory of his family: loving and devoted parents, Virginia and William Shuemake, Jr.; two loving sisters, Kim Coleman and Danni Shuemake; maternal grandmother, Jean Coleman; paternal grandmother, Ruby Jackson; eight aunts, Gwen, Ceal, Bessina, Carolyn, Pinky, Putt, Pearl, Helen, Jackie and Michele; four

uncles, Dannyboy, Jimmy, Levi and Lamont; two nieces, Cortney and Denara; four nephews, Jamal, Eric, Denard and the future Justin. He leaves also many cousins and a large “family” of friends and associates.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Shuemake*

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *William Shuemake*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *He healeth the broken hearted...Psalm 147:3 Sometimes words just are not enough to take away our grief, so we rely on God for help and strength in our belief. May He uplift you greatly, take the sorrow that you bear, than comfort you with healing in the safety of His care... May God's love comfort you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##The March Family and Staff##imported-end##*

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“ *William , you will definitely be missed. You were a joy to be around at Clark Atlanta University. We'll miss you.##imported-begin##Margaux Cormier##imported-end##*

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“ *I would just like to express my sincere condolences to all those that loved Little Tojo as I did.##imported-begin##Darryl Sands##imported-end##*

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“*"Tojo" was a wonderful friend. He was a delightful and fun person to be around. I will truly miss him. But I know someday, we will meet again on the other side. Love always, Candice Bazley, CAU Class of '98*###imported-begin##Candice Bazley##imported-end##

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“*William, you will truly be missed and never forgotten. I will always remember the friend you were to me and my girls at OMHS.*###imported-begin##Tracey##imported-end##

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“*Tojo was one of the nicest and sincerest people I ever met. His presence will be dearly missed.*###imported-begin##Kay Arah Malcolm##imported-end##

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“*You are in a better place now. Rest on. There are no more worries, fears, trials or tribulations. You are at peace now. You have done something that we all have to do. You are the chosen one in GOD's eyes. I will never forget you. How could I, you are the one that taught me how to make that great lasagna. May God continue to bless and keep the Shuemake Family and friends.*###imported-begin##Kiva Brewer (CAU c/o 98)##imported-end##

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“ William, thank you for being such a good friend when I needed you the most. I wish I would've told you how I really felt when you were here. I am sorry about our junior prom. I've seen you a few times since and we've exchanged a few letters, but I never had the courage to tell you what I know you know now. I will see you again. You will never be forgotten. Love, Nina###imported-begin##Nina###imported-end##

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“ Hey William. I always knew you were always going to make something of yourself. You have always been a special person and will continue to be. We shall see each other again one day before our Lord and Savior. Until then, rest peacefully.###imported-begin##Anitra###imported-end##

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“ William, I'll always remember you with that award winning smile!!!###imported-begin##Toya's Mom###imported-end##

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