



*D'Shawn Emmanuel Lemon* was a loving son, brother, father, uncle, nephew, cousin, and loyal friend. D'Shawn was a good man. He was loved by those who knew him and will be sorely missed by many.

The greatly desired and beloved firstborn son of Alonzo and Pastor E. L'Tanya Lemon, D'Shawn Emmanuel Lemon, was born on April 15, 1970. D'Shawn was raised in a multicultural structured home, his father from a proud Jamaican heritage and his mother of African American descent. These two cultures blended to emphasize the bonds of family, faith, and community.

From birth D'Shawn was a very special child and was considered a "beautiful baby," he even won a baby photo contest. Along with his good looks, D'Shawn was known for his charming, humble, and loving personality, that was embraced by all who met him. His presence lit up every room that he entered—and it seemed impossible not to be drawn to him. He had a beautiful smile and infectious laugh that would win over the hardest of hearts. He was always full of laughter and love.

D'Shawn was a product of the Columbus Public Schools system and graduated from Mifflin High School and Southeast Career Center. While at Mifflin, D'Shawn was a varsity wrestler and football player with a promising athletic future, until an unfortunate injury redirected his path. This would later produce several honors and recognitions for D'Shawn including a first-place gold medal in the NAACP ACT-SO competition; an honor that gained him national recognition. His parents encouraged him to further his education, and he attended Grambling University in Grambling, LA.

Along with his formal education D'Shawn was known as a hard worker who was able to fix and repair almost anything, especially electronic devices. D'Shawn gained much of his skills learning from his father who was a master carpenter. In addition, D'Shawn was extensively trained in electrical engineering and a certified electrician. D'Shawn embraced his entrepreneurial spirit and was a self-employed contractor working on diverse endeavors ranging from home repair to major construction projects.

D'Shawn is preceded in death by his loving parents Alonzo and Pastor E. L'Tanya Lemon; grandparents Joseph and Matilda Lemon, James and Margaret Edwards, aunts: Sharlene J. Morgan, Lushayna Lewis, Sybil Edwards-McNabb, Luwana Hall, Doris Ferguson, Zelmina Ramsey, Ruthlyn McKay, and Enid Veitch; uncles: Michael Morgan, Sr., Lawrence Edwards, Samuel Jones, and Herman Lewis; cousins: Vernon Nelson, Tuwanda Sherman-Cole, and Christopher Morgan; and god-sister Lisa Harris.

He leaves to cherish his memories daughters: Micole (Raheem) Brooks, D'Neshia Lemon, son D'Von Lemon, brothers: Alonzo Edmundo (Brandi) Lemon & Lawrence Tawneven Lemon, sister Savonne Nadine Lemon, nieces Inya, Imani, Raelyn Zoë; nephew Anthony Alonzo; aunts: Rev. Rhodell (George) Valentine, Rev. Nancy Jones, Nadine Williams, uncles: Elder James (Earlene) Edwards, David Hall, Elder Ronald McNabb, cousins: Elroy (Lee) McKay, Lana McKay, Merrick Taylor, Jackie Taylor, Karen Taylor, Prenzetta Layne, Juan Perry, Lisa Perry, Belinda (Courtney) Forrest, Morris (Evelyn) Harris, Marla Rodgers, Marcia Okoye, Donyell (Mary) Lewis, Truphelia (Reginald) Parker, Che' Edwards, Joseph Jones, god-sister Margaret (Melvin) Echols, Myia (Phillip) Dunwoody, Michael (Anndra) Morgan Jr., Mark Morgan Sr., Dwight Williams II and Karen Valentine.

Godmother Beverly Draughn and extended family Robert and Jewell Cole, Alan and Antoinette Ware, Guy Jackson, Renee Blackford, and Barbara Tolber. A vast number of committed loved ones and friends including Special Friend DeAnn Napier, Robert "Twin" Cole, Alan C. Ware, Jr., Austin Tolber, Omowale "Wali" (Lee) Crowder, Thomas Hill, Rennell "Turk" Mahone, Daughter in Love Jodeci Tatom and the entire Northside Deliverance Church of God Family.

# Celebration of Life Service

## Prelude

Ministry of Liturgical Dance - Lori Lindsay

## Hymn of Faith

"Blessed Assurance"  
Invocation

## Scripture Reading

Old Testament  
New Testament

Psalms 23  
Matthew 5:1-16

## Prayer of Comfort

## Ministry of Music

"Be An Overcomer"

Words of Comfort

Rev. James Edwards  
Greater Grace Temple  
Detroit, MI

## Acknowledgements & Resolutions

Obituary

Read Silently

## Family Tribute

Ministry of Music

Myia Dunwoody

Proclamation of the Word

Bishop Timothy J. Clarke

## Benediction

Recessional

Family and Clergy

*Please remain seated while the family recesses out of the sanctuary*

**Interment – EVERGREEN CEMETERY**  
1401 Woodland Ave, Columbus, OH 43219

# Acknowledgements

## A Word of Thanks

The family of D'Shawn Emmanuel Lemon, Sr. extends heartfelt gratitude for support received during our time of sorrow. It is a blessing from the Lord to have so many wonderful friends and family.

### Special thanks to

Bishop Timothy J. Clarke; aunts, Rev. Nancy Jones and Nadine Edwards-Williams; cousin Truphelia Parker; special friends Angela Dawson, Robert & Jewel Cole, Alan & Antoinette Ware, Ann Verdine, Samara Tillman, Omowale "Wali" Crowder, Wendi Crump, Christina Goins, Monique Heath, Renee Blackford, Stephanie Goods, Tawanna Williams, and Eric Scott.

## Pallbearers

### Active

Joseph Jones  
Robert Cole  
Morris "Henry" Harris  
Omowale "Wali" Crowder

Alan C. Ware, Sr.  
Mark Morgan, Sr.  
Michael Morgan, Jr.  
Austin Tolber

### Honorary

Rev James A. Edwards  
Alan H. Ware  
Jordan Cole

Guy Jackson  
Dwight Williams II  
Raheem Brooks

## Flowerbearers

Prenzetta Layne  
DeAnn Napier

Myia Dunwoody  
Truphelia Parker



CELEBRATION OF LIFE HONORING  
**D'Shawn Emmanuel Lemon**  
SUNRISE: APRIL 15, 1970 – SUNSET: SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

*Friday, October 1, 2021*

11:00 AM SERVICE  
FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

3480 REFUGEE ROAD, COLUMBUS, OHIO 43232

BISHOP TIMOTHY J. CLARKE – SENIOR PASTOR