# Celebrating the Life of Ronald Hughes

Sunrise February 28, 1956

Sunset February 20, 2021



Thursday, March 11, 2021

Viewing: 10:00 a.m. Service: 11:00 a.m.

From the Heart Church Ministries<sub>®</sub>
Annex at 5055 Allentown Road
Suitland, Maryland 20746

Bishop John A. Cherry, II - Pastor

## **Obituary**

*Ronald Renarda Hughes, Sr.*, was born on February 28, 1956, in Washington, D.C., to the late Jerry Hughes and Mary Atkins. He departed this earthly life at Southern Maryland Hospital on Saturday, February 20, 2021, a few days shy of his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Ronald, affectionately known as "Ronnie" was the eldest child. He was educated in the District of Columbia where he received a General Education Development credential from Notre Dame High School. Ronald furthered his education at the University of the District of Columbia.

Beginning in the late 1970s, and for many years to follow, Ronald was employed with the United States Postal Service in the District. He also worked as a group counselor with the Kennedy Shelter in Washington, D.C. There he helped residents better understand themselves and their interactions with others, while abiding by established standards.

Ronald, a caring man, loved his family and enjoyed spending time with them—especially at family gatherings. Further, he had a very special relationship with his mother, Mary. He also had loving meaningful relationships with his sister, his children, nephew, grandmother, grandchildren, aunts, cousins, as well as his many friends. Moreover, he was a protector, a motivator, and an encourager who found great fulfillment in helping others.

Ronald had several pastimes. He loved watching sports, listening to all types of music, engaging in political satire, watching comedy shows and plays, and of course, satisfying his sweet tooth.

In 2010, Ronald accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and joined From the Heart Church Ministries. He was a faithful member at the church's DC Expansion location. In his heart, Ronald truly loved God. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Ronald's life of love will forever be cherished in the lives of his sons: Carlos (Alix), Ronald Jr. (Charmen), and Renarday; daughter, Raven; mother, Mary Atkins; sister, Sharon Tanner; nephew, Zachary; ten grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two aunts; 12 cousins; and a host of other family members and friends.



## Order of Service

Invocation

Scripture Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 32:1 New Testament: John 5:24

**Prayer of Comfort** 

Selection ...... FTH Psalmist

Acknowledgements

**Obituary** (Read Silently)

Call to Christ

Recessional

Interment Mt. Olive Cemetery Washington, D.C.



#### A Mother's Acknowledgement to Her Son

I am thankful to have had a son who truly had a heart to love and help others by living a life that gave God joy. Love, Mom



#### Acknowledgement from Son

Dad.

Our relationship was cemented in love for one another and unorthodox. I thought you would still be around finding a way out and defeating the odds like you always have. Miss you, love Ronald, Jr.



#### Acknowledgement from Sister

Bro,

It's hard to believe that you are not here with us still defying everything that wanted to defeat you. Unfortunately, in your absence I have come to realize that even through many weaknesses and valleys you had a triumphant strength, love, and wisdom that touched the lives of so many. I wish I could hear you say "I love you" and hear you laugh again; bro whisper to me in your angelic voice when you know I need it the most. You are forever my protector and big brother. Love you always, Turtle Power



#### Acknowledgement from Aunt

Ronnie.

My Eenie-Weenie, I will FOREVER LOVE and Miss You! Until We are REUNITED in GLORY!

Love Aunt Barbara

#### Acknowledgements from Cousins

Big Cuz,

"I will miss our many conversations. You were a strong soldier and literally fought an awesome fight. I am so glad that you knew my love for you was real—and I am most happy that we both knew. I knew your love for me was real. So even though I was not with you when you left your earthly body, I am at peace that we both knew. Until we meet again in our angelic beings your cuz Meechie loves you and thanks you for being that Big cousin that always told the truth about any conversations we shared about life."

Love, Meechie



Big Cuz,

Ronnie, I hold our many memories together and your strict teaching to HEART!!! Your voice will ALWAYS carry weight with our entire FAMILY.

CUZ-Keith (also known as Skeet)



Big Cuz,

We all LOVE you Ronnie and we will miss you Big Cuz. You were the oldest of Mabea's 13 grandchildren and you had a special relationship with each and every one of your cousins. We love the way you used to watch-out for us when we were younger. I remember when you would call me and say Cuz I just wanted to say I LOVE YOU. I Love You Ronnie!

Margo (also known as "THE BIG RAGU")



































#### **Pallbearers**

Lorenzo Bell
Darryl Bonner, Sr.
Troy Bonner, Sr.
Vincent Bonner, Sr.
Keith Greene
Zachary Tanner

#### Flower Bearers

Family and Friends

### Acknowledgement

We the family of Ronald Hughes sincerely thank all of you for your prayers, comfort, love and support. Your many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy have been a blessing to us. May the Lord Jesus Christ bless and keep you in perfect peace!



Services Entrusted to: Marshall-March Funeral Home Washington, D.C.