



Mark Christopher Knighten

October 9, 1968 - October 20, 2024

On Sunday, October 20, 2024, MARK CHRISTOPHER KNIGHTEN of South Minneapolis, Minnesota was called home at 56 years old. He was a loving husband, devoted father, cherished grandfather, son, brother, and friend.

Mark was born on October 9, 1968, in Minneapolis, Minnesota to Erma J. Knighten and John L. Gates. Known for his infectious smile and unwavering generosity, Mark was a guiding light for all who knew him. He was often seen as someone who was always there to help no matter what. He had a love for basketball. Since he was able, you could find Mark at the rec center playing ball with friends. And let's not forget his love for cars! Mark met his soulmate Sharron, 30 years ago at the Lincoln Mercury dealership while shopping for his latest ride! He loved spending time with his children; they will all tell you that he was that father that their friends admired. He would drop EVERYTHING to be there for them!

Mark is preceded in death by his father: John Lanzy Gates, Sister: Francine Knighten, his grandmother: Minnie Pearl Taylor, Uncle: Warfield Griffin and Aunt: Alneeda Reeves. Mark leaves to celebrate his life: Mother Erma Knighten, Wife: Sharron Knighten, Brother Michael (DeAndra) Knighten, four Daughters: Marqui, Marshé, Marcianna, and Marrea, and one Son Markus. Four Grandchildren: Zamihir, D.J, Aubree, and Mila. As well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Mark may have left this world, but his love and legacy will forever live on in all of the hearts of those who knew him.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV 2. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Greater Friendship Missionary Baptist Church
2600 East 38th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Tribute Wall



“ Love- Lorenzo+Sally Artiz, Isaiah, Fara purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mark Christopher Knighten.



Love- Lorenzo+Sally Artiz, Isaiah, Fara - November 01, 2024 at 03:16 PM



“ Nelly L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mark Christopher Knighten.

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