



Roosevelt Gaines

February 10, 2017

Gaines, Roosevelt age 73 of Andover, formerly of Mpls and Pensacola, FL, passed away February 10, 2017. Spent his career with the Mpls. Chamber of Commerce and the Mpls. Urban League as a Program Manager. Roosevelt helped thousands of young adults and youth achieve educational and employment goals. His relationships with local corporations, unions and trade workers played a major role in this success. Survived by beloved companion and wife of 50 years, Lucy; children, Rob Velasco, Lisa Reinken, Cindy Velasco-Gaines, grandchildren Mike Jr., Alishia and Jordre (Kat); great-grandchildren, Kayliana Marie and Alivia Jane; brothers, Willie Gaines, Carlos (Reba) Gaines; sisters-in-law, Margaret and Kaye; brother-in-law, Gerard (Cheryl); uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews and friends. Preceded in death by parents, Johnny and Jenice Gaines and brother, Howard Gaines; father and mother-in-law, James and Ruth Johnson. Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM Friday, February 17 at the Church of the Epiphany, 11001 Hanson Blvd NW, Coon Rapids. Friends and family may gather 1 hour prior to Mass at church. Interment Epipany Cemetery. Washburn-McReavy.com Coon Rapids Chapel 763-767-1000

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 9:30 AM (CT)

The Church of the Epiphany
11001 Hanson Blvd NW
Coon Rapids, MN 55433
(763) 755-1020

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Roosevelt (Rosie) was a really great guy. My condolences to Lucy and the family. Truly liked this man even as briefly as I knew him. Honest with lots of integrity and a great sense of humor. May God Bless him and welcome home.....RIP*

*With deepest respect,
Jack McCarty*

jack - February 16, 2017 at 04:16 PM



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“ *DEBORAH MOSS purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Roosevelt Gaines.*



DEBORAH MOSS - February 16, 2017 at 12:05 PM

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“ Lucy, Robbie, Lisa, Cindy, Sonny and Carlos,

I still remember the last time visiting with Roosevelt and the family (11/13) and the great dinner at Peg Leg Petes and the seafood restaurant with Marion. It was one of the most memorable weekends of my life, just being with family. Roosevelt brought so many happy moments in our life and left us with a treasure trove of memories. We will never be able to forget him. He always had a beautiful and uplifting message to share. He was truly a family man. These are the kind of things that he will be remembered for - making people smile and bringing laughter in their lives. And while it's going to be very difficult to think of this world without him, it is a happy thought knowing that wherever he is, he is only spreading happiness.

Know that your Florida family is here for you.

Much Love,

Deborah and Tony Moss and family (Wesley Chapel, Florida)

Francine and Eddie Ishmael (Pensacola, Florida)



Deborah Moss - February 15, 2017 at 11:42 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Roosevelt Gaines.



February 15, 2017 at 10:51 AM