

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



*David Michael Bair*

June 13, 1958 – January 8, 2022



# God Saw You Getting Tired

By Frances and Kathleen Coelho

God saw you getting tired  
And a cure was not to be  
So, he put His arms around you  
And whispered, "Come to me."  
With tearful eyes, we watch you  
As you slowly slipped away  
And though we loved you dearly  
We couldn't make you stay.  
Your golden heart stopped beating  
Your tired hands put to rest  
God broke our hearts to prove to us  
He only takes the best.

**The Family.**

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Friday, January 21, 2022

Saint Andrew by the Sea Lutheran Church  
936 Baltic Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Viewing 10AM • Service 11AM

Pastor Marvin Graham – Officiant • Pastor Maria L. Brooks – Eulogist

### Order of Celebration

**Organ Prelude**

**Processional**.....Clergy & Family

**Prayer of Comfort** .....Pastor Marvin Graham

#### Scripture Reading

Old Testament † New Testament  
Psalm 23 John 14:1-6

**Selection**.....Sister Jni McIntosh

**Acknowledgements & Condolences**.....Dr. Antoinette Wilson

**Poem**.....Sister Andrea Nelson

**Selection**.....Sister Michelle Buster

**Remarks**.....(Limit 2 minutes)

**The Obituary**.....Read Silently

**Sermonic Hymn** ..... Sister Michelle Buster

#### Eulogy

Reverend Maria L. Brooks, Pastor  
*True Deliverance Praise and Worship Center, Villas, NJ*

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship**.....Pastor Marvin Graham

**Recessional**.....Clergy, Family and Friends



*"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."  
Matthew 11:28*

## *In Loving Remembrance*



Late January 8, 2022, David Michael Bair, 63, heard the trumpet sound. He was ushered from AtlantiCare Medical Center, Mainland Campus, by a band of angels into the presence of the Lord. David was born on June 13, 1958, in Atlantic City, NJ. to the late Dolores Adell (Bair) Brooks and Cecil Anthony Du Cote.

In 1976, David graduated with Honors from Atlantic City High School, where he received several academic awards and achievements. David chose to serve his country and enlisted in the United States Army from 1976 until 1982 along with several childhood friends. He served an additional two years in the Army Reserve. However, the bond with his friends would last a lifetime!

**David Michael Bair** was a man of many interests and avocations. He proudly rocked his Baltimore Ravens jersey and Oakley sunglasses, had an extreme love for sports, especially basketball. In high school, he was a beast at the game; and would brag that he never lost the skill to give you nothing but net. He was an avid reader, with the bible being his favorite. He loved all genres of music from Opera, R&B to Jazz, so much so, that two of his daughters' names were inspired by music; Sade, his favorite female vocalist and album Asia (which he had to compromise on the spelling). David inherited the love of scrapbooking from his favorite Uncle Ronald. He scrapbooked two of his favorite things, music & sports. He has an extensive collection of ole Blue Eyes, Frank Sinatra, newspaper articles, magazines and pictures, an artist that he and his favorite Uncle shared a love for. He had the opportunity to meet two jazz greats in person, Stanley Clark and George Duke on a Capital Jazz cruise.

Impressed with his knowledge of music, he was gifted an autographed poster signed by the two. We can't forget the Jazzman himself...Miles Davis! You could not enter David's home without seeing the huge poster of Miles hanging on the wall. David also loved watching movies, eating good food, especially his favorite Whitehouse sub with a Pepsi. Most importantly, David loved his family and spending time with his grandchildren that affectionally called him "Pop Pop."

**David Michael Bair** worked in the casino industry (Bally's Grand & later Showboat) as a shift supervisor for many years. David spent the last 27 years employed by AtlantiCare Medical Center until he retired as an Anesthesia Technician in 2021. Well respected for his excellent work ethic, integrity and positive attitude, he left a great legacy.

**David Michael Bair** leaves to cherish his sweet memories: his wife, Gwendolyn Bair; his 5 children, Koteesha Austin of Covington, GA, Tiesha Bair of Philadelphia, PA, Derrick Bair of Galloway, NJ, Ebony Bair (Ronald) of Pleasantville, NJ, and Asha Bair of Vineland, NJ; 7 grandchildren, Daquan and Jaden Austin, Xavier Flores, Sa'niyah Bair, Ty'lah Wilkins, Eli Wilkins, and Romello Wilkins; siblings, Jamil Abdullah of Philadelphia, PA, Dr. Diane Smith of Pittsburgh, PA, Joseph Brooks of Atlantic City, NJ, Michelle Du Cote of Texas, Marlon Brooks of Atlantic City, NJ, Rev. Maria Brooks of Atlantic City, NJ; brothers-in-law, Frank and Wash Gaddy of Raleigh, NC, Calvin Gaddy of Ocean City, NJ, Reginald Murray of Tallahassee, Fla, Lenric Gaddy of Gretna, Fla; sisters-in-Law, Anjanette (Scott) Harris of Raleigh, NC, Lee Esther Gaddy of Newport News, VA, Tamika Gaddy of Atlantic City, NJ; 1 uncle, Joseph Bair (Jodi) of East Windsor, NJ; special nieces, Atiyah Brooks of Atlantic City, NJ, Tiana Washington of Raleigh, NC; special nephews, Zion Washington of Raleigh, NC, Kamal Brooks of Atlantic City NJ; along with a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.







# Weep Not For Me

Author Unknown

*Weep not for me though I have gone*

*Into that gentle night*

*Grieve if you will, but not for long*

*Upon my soul's sweet flight*

*I am at peace, my souls at rest*

*There is no need for tears*

*For with your love, I was so blessed*

*For all those many years*

*There is no pain, I suffer not*

*The fear is now all gone*

*Put now these things out of your thoughts*

*In your memory I live on*

*Remember not my fight for breath*

*Remember not the strife*

*Please do not dwell upon my death*

*But celebrate my life*



# Pallbearers

Derrick Bair  
Xavier Flores  
Joseph Brooks  
Marlon Brooks  
Ronald Wilkins Jr.  
Frank Gaddy

# Acknowledgements

We, the family of the late David Michael Bair, wish to express our sincere appreciation and deep gratitude for the expressions of sympathy, acts of kindness and prayers shown during the time of illness of our beloved David Michael Bair. May God continue to bless and keep you in his tender care.

# Repast

**Private**

# Interment

**Lincoln Memorial Park**

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