



## Mr. Fredrick Douglas Gaines, III

October 2, 1962 - October 23, 2017

Celebrating The Life Of Fredrick Douglas Gaines, III:

Fredrick Douglas Gaines III (a.k.a. Freddy III, or Freddy) was born on October 2, 1962 in Detroit, Michigan to Fredrick Douglas Gaines, Jr. and Melva Jean Clarke Gaines Ward. He was the youngest of two children. He peacefully departed this earth after a short bout with cancer on Monday, October 23, 2017, listening to his wife's narration of Psalm: 23.

Freddy was an early member of St. Timothy's Episcopal Church in Detroit. Later in his life, he attended Triumph Church - North Campus.

Graduating from Cody High School, Freddy was drawn to the lakes and fresh waters of Michigan. At an early age he advanced his passion for fishing and boating by enlisting in the United States Navy. He sailed and served his country until his honorable discharge after two consecutive tours of duty. These tours included a lengthy deployment in Rota, Spain. He used the skills that he acquired in the Navy to advance his position(s) with a career with AT&T.

Two of Freddy's greatest passions were his love for his animals and the adventure of travel. Living a full and fruitful life, this passion took him to the exploration of numerous cities and countries. His sweet disposition endured him to all he called "friend." An active member of his high school marching

band, Freddy was honored to demonstrate his talent for playing the trumpet in the Inauguration of the 39th. President of The United States, Jimmy Carter in 1977, in Washington D.C. He also enjoyed listening to jazz and attending live, musical concerts.

This sailor's strong will and faith sustained him through the last few weeks of his life. Although his body was deteriorating, his mind and spirit continued to endure until the Lord called him home.

# Previous Events

## Family Hour

Wednesday, Nov. 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Triumph Baptist Church East Campus  
2760 E. Grand Blvd.  
Detroit, MI 48211

## Funeral Service

Wednesday, Nov. 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Fredrick Douglas Gaines, III*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Terri Martin Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fredrick Douglas Gaines, III*



**Terri Martin Patterson** - October 31, 2017 at 06:37 PM



“ *C. W. A. Local 4034 purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Mr. Fredrick Douglas Gaines, III.*



**C. W. A. Local 4034** - October 31, 2017 at 01:04 PM



“ *Stafford Sykes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Fredrick Douglas Gaines, III*



**Stafford Sykes** - October 28, 2017 at 10:59 PM