



Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams

June 19, 1976 - May 13, 2018

Celebrating The Life Of Nathaniel Deshawn Williams:

NATHANIEL “NATE” DESHAWN WILLIAMS was born on June 19, 1976 in Detroit, Michigan to Doreen Williams and Nathaniel (Cecil) Goodwin. Nate professed Christ at an early age and was baptized at Bethel Temple Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Rev. F. Stokes. Nate was educated in the Detroit Public School System. While in middle school, he was named the State of Michigan Chess Champion. He was a starting player on Western High School’s basketball and tennis team. Nate graduated from Avondale High School in Auburn Hills, Michigan. He matriculated to Miles College in Fairfield, Alabama where he became a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. and received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

At the time of his transition, Nate was employed at Johnson Service Group; located in Atlanta, GA, as a Sr. Business Development Manager. His career was aligned with who he was as a person. He spent many years managing talent acquisition and recruiting. Helping those who were overlooked by others was his passion. He provided an avenue of employment for many by being instrumental in assisting them with resume writing, interview coaching and often extending a personal recommendation or referral. Nate was not afraid to stick his neck out for someone and because of his efforts, many of his friends and family are employed and providing a better life for themselves and their families.

Nate lived a full life. He was a youth mentor and role model; a true man of valor. He spent countless hours traveling to schools, churches and juvenile detention centers to encourage inner-city youth. Nate's favorite quote was, "Don't learn a lesson you don't have to learn." While growing up on 32nd St. he met lifelong friends. At the age of seven, he joined the Boys and Girls Club of America. He often reflected on, and credited the lessons he learned at "The Club" as well as the Detroit Police Cadet Organization for molding him into the upstanding, caring and honorable man he became. As a result of his career, he lived in several parts of the U.S. and he loved to travel. From Brazil, to India or England; he never met a stranger. His personality drew people together. He was never too busy for anyone. He would go out of his way to make others feel special; whether it was taking time out to send a text, or call or even show up at an event; he wanted everyone to know that they mattered. He was an avid golfer and cook. He divided his free time on the golf course and in the kitchen. He looked forward to his yearly golf trip in Florida where he garnered wisdom and knowledge of the game and life from other experienced players. He also looked forward to preparing his annual Mother's Day Brunch to recognize all of the mothers in his life; of whom, he truly valued and appreciated.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens

17840 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, MI 48152

Previous Events

Visitation

Wednesday, May **23**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road
Detroit, MI 48227
(313) 838-9770
info@pyefuneralhome.com

Family Hour

Thursday, May **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Detroit World Outreach Christian Church
23800 W. Chicago
Redford, MI 48239

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *I am so saddened to learn of Nate's passing; he was a genuine person. Can't believe my homie is gone. My deepest condolences go out to his family; I pray for peace!*

Danielle - September 19, 2018 at 10:11 PM



“ *my heart sank when i came across this information. my heart rejoiced to see all the wonderful comments and the MAN you turned out to be Bogue/Nate/Nathaniel. my condolences go out to the family, which by marriage was my family as well. I love you all Doreen, Teka, Latoya, Katherine and can't imagine the pain you must feel in your heart. I know with you all being rooted in God this too shall pass. whatever you do, don't let Nate's passing discontinue the gatherings you all had...family is everything.hugs and kisses*

La Trice R. Herring - June 24, 2018 at 07:16 PM



“ *So many amazing providence memories. Nate, Jon and I miss you already.*



alicia samolis - May 27, 2018 at 10:07 PM

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Alica and Jon I miss you guys so much. I'm thankful for all the great moments we spent together in Rhode Island. The flower you sent was beautiful..

Teena - June 01, 2018 at 04:01 PM



Corinthia Ortiz

“*Nate, My loving friend. I will forever miss you and our little talks. You always had a way of making everything better. I thank the good Lord and your beautiful parents for bringing such a great man of valor here for us to love. I also thank you for teaching me that I can do whatever I want in life as long as I "just go for it and do it from the heart". I am so blessed to have known you and have your support. One love my friend I will see you one sweet day.*



Best, Your "Doll"

Corinthia Ortiz - May 24, 2018 at 05:10 PM



“*Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams.*



May 24, 2018 at 07:04 AM

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“ To the Williams' Family, I had the pleasure of mentoring Nate while I was at the Boys & Girls Clubs, Bloomer Building. We had many conversations about HBCU's and how my time at Fisk University {C/O 1984} earned me friends/experiences for life! I was elated when he told me he was attending Miles College, pledging, and looking to keep the mentoring going. I won't be able to attend the homegoing, but know that ... "For the Lord is good and His love endures forever..."

My love to you all and those from the Bloomer building, Antonio, Jason, Elbert, Angel, Johnny & Irene, J-Lo, Bryan & Ryan G, All the Millete girls, Syl and if I forgot anyone, chalk it to my head and not my heart!

*Love to you all!,
Herb Hayden #Bloomer4Lyfe*

Herb Hayden - May 23, 2018 at 12:54 PM

Ralph Johnson

“ It's was April 7 Nate was here in Orlando for his annual golfing trip. As in previous years we connect and hange out. Man we had a great time just talking and reminiscing of all the old school days. We talk about his pending move to Atlanta and that I was proud of him. I am so grateful to have that memory of that last visit. Nate was truly one of the best Nupes to come out of Delta Tau Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi.

Nate, Rest well my brother and friend.
Tik Tok 96 will miss Tik Tok 98...See you again on those golden shores...



Ralph Johnson - May 23, 2018 at 09:19 AM

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“ "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Love, Peace and Joy, Donovan and Lynette Walton.

Donovan "Doc" Walton - May 23, 2018 at 07:58 AM



“ Heartwarming Thoughts Boston Fern was purchased for the family of Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams.



May 23, 2018 at 12:34 AM

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“ 3 files added to the album *KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY- MILES COLLEGE NUPES*



William Walton - May 22, 2018 at 06:00 AM

CH

“ Nate touched the hearts of so many people he loved everyone and is loved by so many more. Bo was humble as a child and continued giving himself as an adult in service to youth. Williams family - Aunt Doreen, Teka & family thank you for sharing such a wonderful soul with us. May God Bless and keep you in this difficult time. Charita (Joann Hampton & Family)

Charita Hampton-Roman - May 21, 2018 at 08:16 PM

WW

“ I'm happy to say that I had the pleasure of knowing Nate after he was initiated into Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity @ Miles College. Then I found out he was a native Detroiter which made it even easier to get to know him. Nate was known as a caring, hard-working and passionate guy. His eagerness to educate and guide young minds to think about their future and how to prepare for it was inspirational. A good friend & fraternity brother that will truly be missed.

Y.I.T.B.

William Walton Spr. 93

William Walton - May 21, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams.



May 21, 2018 at 07:31 AM



“ *Your brothers. The Tuesday/Thursday golf league* purchased the *Joyful Memory* for the family of Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams.



Your brothers. The Tuesday/Thursday golf league - May 19, 2018 at 11:12 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mr. Nathaniel Deshawn Williams.



May 19, 2018 at 09:54 AM