



Willie Benjamin

December 10, 1976 - August 1, 2020

In Loving Memory Of:

Willie David Benjamin was born to Robert and Mary Benjamin on Friday, December 10, 1976 in Detroit, Michigan. He was affectionately known as David and Will by family and friends.

Willie was baptized at an early age and had a never ending faith in God. He attended religious private schools throughout his educational experience.

Willie's education, along with his parent's guidance, helped to shape him into the man he was throughout his life. He was known for doing things his way, methodically, and attentionally caring for what was favorable for others.

At the young age of 8 years old, Willie took an interest in karate and art. While attending Lutheran High School West, he received his Black Belt in karate. He entered multiple tournaments and won several trophies and awards.

After high school, Willie expanded his love for art and attended the College of Creative Studies in Detroit, MI. He was even chosen to help Hubert Massey draw a mural on the fence outside of the Detroit Fairgrounds. Willie was very detail oriented and was always willing to help others.

Willie was employed by Greektown Casino, as a Blackjack dealer. He was known for being the fastest and the best Blackjack dealer in the city of Detroit. If one wanted to win some money, they knew not to sit at Willie's table. Willie excelled in his craft so well that Don Barden, the owner of Majestic Star Casino in Gary, Indiana made Willie an unbelievable offer to work at his casino. Willie declined the offer because he didn't want to leave the love and

warmth of his family and friends in Detroit.

Although Willie had a propensity for having many talents, one of his favorite specialties was refurbishing antique automobiles. He enjoyed the mystery of trying to gauge what was damaged on the automobile and the beauty of restoring it back to its original state. Among all of the things he loved, what Willie loved most was spending time with his family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens

17840 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, MI 48152

Tribute Wall



“ *Willie Benjamin*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Tracee Valentine sent a virtual gift in memory of Willie Benjamin*



Tracee Valentine - August 14, 2020 at 07:35 PM



“ *Tracee Valentine lit a candle in memory of Willie Benjamin*



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“ *To my family my heart is heavy I am lost for words you are in my prayers*

Your family in Wisconson and your oldest sister in Mississippi

jean johnson - August 10, 2020 at 10:09 PM



“ From our family to yours. You were loved, you are loved and will forever be loved in our hearts. Sending much love and prayers to my family. I will never forget those many years we had fun at the family meetings. Aunt Mary Uncle Robert , Nae and Nard we are here for you. Love you all dearly.

Eunice Willingham - August 10, 2020 at 04:07 PM

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“ To my second son David. I never thought I would be ever lost for words. At this time it hurts so much for me to speak, so I'll let my heart speak for me. To be family, I want you to know that I love Dave so much. Only his spirit and my spirit can only know what's in my heart now and forever more. I know we will meet again in that great getting up morning.

Auntie

Dr. Edna Byrdsong and Howard

Dr Edna Byrdsong - August 06, 2020 at 12:04 PM