



Obituary

Died: Wednesday, October 21, 2020

Eugene Boyd, Jr. was born on June 13th, 1944 to Martha L Spearman and Eugene Boyd Sr. He attended Holy Angels Catholic School and Cathedral High School where he graduated in 1962. **Eugene** served in the United States Marine Corps from 1963-1967 with one active tour in Vietnam. In 1966, he married Carolyn Mack. That union produced one son, Eugene Boyd III. He was also later married to Yvonne Rhodes, where he was Stepdad to Debra, Denise, Frank, Jr., and Daphne. He graciously accepted the role of Father Figure to Maria Badger and Jennifer Lewis. In 1969 he was accepted into the 46th class as a recruit for Indianapolis Police Department. He served and protected the streets of Indianapolis for 38 years. He was one of the first African Americans to serve as a member of the SWAT team. He also acted as "Officer Friendly" where he visited numerous schools in the Indianapolis area. He retired as a Sergeant in 2007. While he did accept Christ at an early age as a member of Holy Angels Catholic Church, he later in life was immersed in Christian Baptism in 1998 by his son, Gene Boyd, III, where he became a member of Traders Point Christian Church. Upon retiring he enjoyed lunch with friends, watching *The Young and Restless* and sports, volunteering to serve communion to homebound church members and spending time with his beloved Romeo. **Eugene** is survived by his children, Eugene (Jodi) Boyd III, Jermaine (Ashlee) Waddell, Amanda Ward and Ian (Reva) Mackey; his grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Kamryn and Caleb Boyd, Shamaine and Jayme Waddell, Rayshawn Brent, Jada Joi Petty, Krista and Ashlynn Woodson, and Brooklyn Mackey; his siblings, Keith (Lillian) Boyd and sister Carol Lynn Boyd. His longtime partner, soulmate and best friend of 25 years, Carmena Mackey. A very special friend and brother in blue, Brian Keith Dixon, as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends and brothers in blue. He was preceded in death by his parents, Martha and Eugene Boyd, his sisters Chris Ann and Patsy, and his brothers Raymond, Dave and Steve. He was known to many as "Big Boy" and others affectionately as Dad, Pacelli, Pops, PawPaw, Papa Gene and simply, **Gene**. **Eugene** was a lifetime servant. A servant of his country in the Marine Corps, a beloved servant to his community through IPD, a servant to his family and of the Lord. He was a survivor of war, years on the street as a cop, multiple myeloma and prostate cancer. He was a WARRIOR. An ultimate fan of **Gene** through Cathedral wrestling and Indiana University football and life. He was an incredibly proud man, the life of the party and great encourager to many, even to his last breath. It didn't require blood for him to consider you family and he loved fiercely. We honor him for all he's given so freely.

Service Summary

Interment following funeral service
Mon Oct 26, 2020

Visitation

11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Mon Oct 26, 2020

Stuart Mortuary Chapel

2201 N. ILLINOIS STREET
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46208

Celebration of Life

1:00 PM Mon Oct 26, 2020

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