

Floral Bearers

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An Expression Of Gratitude

The family of the late Dama Hansen Johnson "Mathusel Israel" acknowledges with sincere gratitude and appreciation of each kind thoughts, concerns, deeds and other expressions of kindness that has been shown to the family through the passing of our loved one. We shall always remember your presence at these final rites. Special thanks to Reverend Walter R. Braden (our cousin) for his assistance to us with these arrangements. May God forevermore bless you and continue to keep us in your prayers.

- The Johnson Family

*On behalf of the Staff and Management
of*

Waters Funeral Home, Inc.,

*we would like to extend our sympathy to the family
and thank you for entrusting your precious loved one in our care.*

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Celebration

Of

Love



For

Dama Hansen Johnson

"Mathusel Israel"

Sunrise

October 28, 1959

Sunset

July 6, 2020

Sunday, July 12, 2020

5:00 P.M.

Merry Street Church of God 7th, Day

2416 Merry Street

Nashville, Tennessee 37208

Bishop Robert L. Ross Officiating

Reflections

Dama Hansen Johnson "Mathusel Israel" was born on October 28, 1959, to the late Dana H. Johnson and Sadie M. Johnson, in Nashville, Tennessee. After an extended illness, Dama went down to where a quiet river flows whence no one returns and reached out and touched the face of God. He departed this life peacefully on Monday, July 6, 2020 at Alive Hospice in Nashville, Tennessee with his loving wife by his side.

Dama received his formal education in Nashville, Tennessee Public School system where he graduated from Maplewood High School in 1977. During high school he was a Maplewood Halftimer. Dama H. Johnson and Amy Howse "Aviya Israel" were united in marriage in Davidson County, Tennessee on October 29, 2011. He accepted a position at Advanced Composites in Nashville, Tennessee where he worked until his sunset.

Dama's spiritual journey began at Lee Chapel AME. Dama started observing the Sabbath and joined Merry Street Church of God around 1990 where he gained greater knowledge of the Word. Upon joining the church he immediately put his vocals to use by joining the choir. He was also a member of the male quartet group called Merry Street Harmonizers. He was very instrumental in the annual youth retreats for Merry Street. Dama was heavily involved in mentoring the young people, especially the young men. He studied the scriptures and researched the Word often. In 2020 after realizing his true nationality, culture and heritage, he embarked upon a new spiritual journey by joining Israel United in Christ (IUIIC). He said that he learned the most about his connection with The Most High at IUIIC. Serving The Most High was of utmost importance to Dama.

Dama was a positive, fun loving person who loved to sing and dance. His singing in public began in the youth choir between the age of 6 and 7 at Lee Chapel AME. He enjoyed worshipping the Creator, spending time with family, and traveling. Dama was very conscious about his physical health. He loved to exercise and play basketball, tennis, and jogging. Dama took pride in everything he did. He was full of life; and, he knew how to live.

Those left behind to cherish his memory, his wife Amy Johnson "Aviya Israel"; sons Dama Hansen Johnson, II, Anthony Tigg and Shayne Howse; grandchildren, Damaya Johnson and Shana Howse; godchildren, Naomi King and Travis Woods, Jr. (TJ); sisters, Sharon (William) Fitzgerald-Foster, Denease Murray, Danette (Danny) Wilson and Ramona Johnson; sisters-in-law, Jeanie Howse and Sherrie Rives; brothers-in-law, James (Jayne) Howse; aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order Of Service

Minister Michael Ross, Officiating

Processional

Selection.....Merry Street Church of God 7th, Day

Scripture.....(Old Testament).....Minister John Bell
(New Testament)

Prayer.....Minister Michael Ross

Selection.....Brother Randy Hymon

Acknowledgments.....Sister Mary Carr

Family Reflections.....Family

Selection....."I Give Myself Away".....Brother Karlton Taylor

Message of Hope.....Bishop Robert L. Ross

Closing Prayer

Recessional



Service Of Committal and Interment

Greenwood North Cemetery

Goodlettsville, Tennessee

"Cortege will leave Merry Street Church of God 7th, Day Monday, July 13, 2020 at 8:15 A.M. for the interment at Greenwood North Cemetery"