



Mr. Larry J. Pumphrey

January 28, 1950 - December 16, 2014

Larry James Pumphrey was born on January 28, 1950 to the union of George F.

Sr. & Clotie Hixon-Pumphrey in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Larry left Pine Bluff at an early age and moved to Milwaukee, WI in 1953 with his parents and brother, George Jr. Upon arriving in Milwaukee, the family settled in an area known as "the Hill". He finally resided at the Wesley Scott Senior Living Center in Milwaukee. Larry received his formal education in Milwaukee, WI graduating from West Division High School in 1968. In the same year he then entered the US Army, serving during the Vietnam War. Larry had an honorable discharge in 1969. He furthered his education receiving a Bachelor's degree in English from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

Larry was a devoted father and God blessed him with one child: Shante' Pumphrey, which he affectionately called his "little princess". Larry was a retired disabled veteran since the on-set of an illness in 1968. He worked various jobs after his discharge including working in the Sherriff's office as an IT Cadet and the United States Postal Service.

Larry was highly intelligent, having taught himself to play various instruments (African finger piano, harmonica, and flute). He was very adamant about analyzing a problem and solving the problem no matter how long it took. Larry became an avid photographer over the years. He had a unique eye for the lens. As an artist, he also taught himself various artistic techniques having done many landscapes and portraits. His works are unique.

Larry was an active member of the Milwaukee Arts Museum, American Legion and contributed to the National Wildlife Federation and other charitable entities. Larry thoroughly enjoyed photography and art. He enjoyed going to the Milwaukee Lakefront photographing scenery which included nature, animals and people. He was a jazz enthusiast like none other, having amassed a vast collection of music.

Larry departed this life on December 16, 2014. He was preceded in death by his parents George F. Sf. and Clotie Pumphrey and Glen Pumphrey (Brother). He leaves to cherish his memory: "Daddy's Little Princess" Shante' Pumphrey of Brooklyn, NY; Siblings: George Jr. (Lois) Pumphrey of Milwaukee, WI, Diane (Hilliard) Garrett of Atlanta, GA, Michael (Kathleen) Pumphrey of Raleigh -Durham, NC, Annette P. Taylor of Vista, CA; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Northwest Cremation Services

6630 W. Hampton Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53218

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC **20**. 1:30 PM (CT)

Northwest Funeral Chapel
6630 W. Hampton Ave
Milwaukee, WI

Tribute Wall



“ *Loving Grace was purchased for the family of Mr. Larry J. Pumphrey.*



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