

### *Pallbearers*

Family Members and Friends

### *Flower Attendants*

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### *~I'm Free~*

Don't grieve for me, for now I am free. I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard him call. I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day to laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way. I found that place at the close of the day. If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, oh yes, these things, I will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life has been full, I've savored much, good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, don't lengthen it now with undue grief. God wanted me now, he set me Free.

### *Acknowledgement*

We would like to thank our family members and friends for every act of kindness that you have shown and expressed. Your encouraging words, prayers, cards, and visits have given us strength for the journey. May God bless each of you.

~The family of the late Bernard S. Bennefield

### *Arrangements in Care of:*



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# *A Celebration of Life*

## *Bernard Severe Bennefield*



**April 2, 1961 - March 8, 2017**

### *Service*

**11:00 AM, Friday, March 17, 2017**

***Samuel C. Rogers Jr. Memorial Chapel***

4315 N. Main Street

Jacksonville, Florida 32206

***Pastor Ivory Winfrey Jr., Officiating***

# Obituary

**Bernard Severe Bennefield** was born on April 2, 1961 to William and Dorothy Bennefield in Jacksonville, Florida. He attended the Public Schools in Duval County, graduating from Jean Ribault Senior High School. Bernard served in the United States Army, after leaving the military he meet Diane Holmes in Jacksonville, 2008 and later they were married in Folkston, Georgia 2013. Bernard was a loving and devoted husband and father and a active pillar in his community. In his profession he was a spray painter and welder.

**Bernard** departed this life on Wednesday, March 8, 2017. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Jarvis Davis and Antonio Davis; aunt, Kate McKenzie; uncle, Jessie McKenzie.

**Bernard** leaves to cherish his memory: a wife, Diane Holmes Bennefield; children, Bernita Harrell (Marquise), Sherice Bennefield, and Andrina Williams Moss; 5 grandchildren; mother, Dorothy Bennefield; father, William Bennefield; mother-in-law, Dorothy Robinson; sisters, Rosalyn Winfrey (Ivory), Ilene McKenzie, Shalandria McKenzie, Kaye McKenzie, and Tytiana McKenzie; brothers, Michael Davis (Keyonta), Jeremy McKenzie, Michael McKenzie, Morris McKenzie; stepchildren, Shawntel Holmes and Edward Holmes; sisters-in-law, Barida Robinson and Mary Robinson; brothers-in-law, James Fordham (Josetta) and Johnnie Fordham (Deborah); aunts and uncles, Johnnie McKenzie, James McKenzie, Samuel Mitchell, Curtis McKenzie (Martha); other relatives and friends.



# Order of Service

## Processional

## Scripture:

Old Testament ..... Evangelist Martha Lizzmore  
New Testament ..... Maria Howell

Prayer ..... Minister

## Acknowledgements &

Condolences ..... Bob'bye Jeanne Bell

Obituary ..... (*Read Silently*)

Musical Selection ..... Jemila Jordan

Eulogy ..... Pastor Ivory L. Winfrey, Jr.

## Recessional

## Repast

TS Warden Event Room

## Interment

Jacksonville National Cemetery  
4083 Lannie Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32218