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Arrangements in Care of:

The family of the late Mark Costley, Sr. would like to thank everyone who sent beautiful floral arrangements, food and monetary donations, called us with a kind word, sent a card or was just there to help with anything that needed to be done. The sudden loss of our dad was made a little easier with the love and support we received from our family and friends. Your expressions of sympathy were greatly appreciated and will never be forgotten. ~The Family

### *Acknowledgment*

10:30 AM, Monday, September 10, 2018  
Jacksonville National Cemetery  
4083 Lannie Road  
Jacksonville, Florida 32218

### *Interment*

*Flower Attendants*  
Family Members and Friends

*Ullbearers*  
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# A CELEBRATION Of Life for Mark Alan Costley, Sr.

*Sunrise*  
February 29, 1960

*Sunset*  
August 26, 2018

*Service*  
11:00 AM, Saturday, September 8, 2018  
Faith United Miracle Temple  
1860 West 5th Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32209  
Rev. Brandon Elerby, Officiating







### *"He Only Takes The Best"*

God saw that he was getting tired, a cure was not to be. So he put his arms around him and whispered, "come with me". With tearful eyes, we watched him suffer, and saw him fade away. Although we loved him dearly, we could not make him stay. A golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes "the best".





# A Tribute To Our Dad



Loving Memories

# Obituary

*Mark Alan Costley, Sr.*, was born on February 29, 1960 in Buffalo, New York to the late Robert and Frances Costley. He joined Bethel AME Church in Buffalo, New York where he was baptized at an early age. Mark attended the local schools in Buffalo, New York and graduated from Baker Victory High School.

After graduating, **Mark** joined the United States Navy and served until retirement. He then moved to Jacksonville, Florida and was a hardworking, devoted employee for the City of Jacksonville for the past 17 plus years. He was a loving father, grandfather, brother and friend to all he knew and would selflessly extend his hand to anyone no matter the need. If he had it, you could get it!

**Mark** departed this life on Sunday, August 26, 2018. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Vanessa A. Costley; parents, Robert and Frances Costley; best friend, Tony Benett.

**Mark** leaves to mourn his passing: two sons, Mark Costley II and Dont'e Keys; four daughters, Julia (Hunter) Ross, Patricia Ross, Amber Costley and Chantel (Mark) Riley; siblings, Robin, Susan (Bobbie), Sheryl and Dana (Della); grandchildren, Brittany, Hunter III, Lunessa, Issac, Julian, Mark III, Dontrell, Da'Nyah, Aubrielle, Chaz and Kayden; godchildren, Tijuan and Shanique; a loving and devoted life partner, Barbara Dingle; best friend, Norman Epperson; and a host of other family members and friends.

## Order of Service

Processional	
Prayer .....	Rev. Clyde Wofford
Scripture:	
Old Testament .....	Minister Brandon Elerby
New Testament .....	Rev. Clyde Wofford
Obituary .....	( <i>Read Silently</i> )
Selection .....	Claud Myers
Reflections .....	( <i>Three Minutes Please</i> )
Solo .....	Gene Robinson
Poem .....	Tijuan Bell
Poem .....	Brittany & Lunessa
Speaking .....	Chantal Riley and Mark Costley II
Selection .....	Steve Wilson
Resolutions & Acknowledgements .....	Minister Brandon Elerby
Selection .....	Steve Wilson
Words of Comfort.....	Minister Brandon Elerby
Navy Military Honors	
Recessional	