



David Rickey Clay

July 2, 1954 - January 17, 2014

David Rickey Clay, 59, passed away on January 17, 2014 at Carolina Medical Center in Charlotte, North Carolina. He was born on July 2, 1954 in Charlotte, North Carolina to the late Lonnie and Mary (Perry) Clay.

Rickey grew up in Charlotte, North Carolina. He graduated from East Mecklenburg High School in 1972. After high school he attended North Carolina Central University in Durham, North Carolina where he received a B.S. degree in 1976. He was accepted into the graduate program at Antioch College's Washington-Baltimore campus where he pursued a degree in Urban Planning.

As a young man Rickey discovered the game of pool and it quickly became his lifelong hobby. He realized it was a game that required mental focus, concentration and the ability to calculate. They were skills that he transferred into the classroom. When he could no longer play the game, he joyfully talked about the game of pool. He also enjoyed playing tennis and practicing Tai Chi. David was a gentle soul who loved and cared deeply for his family and friends. When it came to education, he was a constant support and encouragement for his nieces and nephews. He always encouraged them to strive to do better academically. Even though he had to struggle to overcome some challenges in his life he never lost his thirst for knowledge and learning. He loved to read and read often.

David is survived by three sisters: Mary C. Gaddy, Barbara C. Simond(Hazel) of Charlotte, N.C., and Doris C. Jackson (Freddie) of Lithonia, Georgia, his

brothers James Edward (Lenny) Clay (Marlene) and Eugene Clay of Baltimore, Maryland; an Aunt Jessie Mae Walker of Brooklyn, New York, nieces, nephews and many other relatives.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **25**. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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Service

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YOU ALWAYS MADE ME LAUGH YOUR MEMORY KEEPS ME
HUMBLE.....

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