

RONALD JAMES WHITTLE



Ronald James Whittle was born June 15, 1951 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to the late Brady Whittle and Mary Lee Fowler-Whittle. He was a Native of the Manchester/Northside area, then moved to the East End of Pittsburgh. Ronald went home to be with the Lord March 1, 2024. Ronald was a Born Again Christian. He was a member and attended Christian Temple Church in the Friendship UM In later

years, he was a member and attended The House Of Gospel Church (East Hills area) until his health declined.

Ronald (Known as Ronnie and Ron by his family and friends) was educated in the Pittsburgh Public School System. He was a Graduate of David B. Oliver High School. He was a member of the Oliver Bears High School Football team. Throughout his life he was known to recite the Oliver High School Alma Mater. 'Hail to the Oliver.' When the conversation would turn to the question, What school someone went to? He would say "Hail To The Oliver" then he would recite the Alma Mater word for word.

He continued his formal education at Blackburn College in Carlinville Illinois. He Majored in Mathematics.

Ronald served his country, He was an Aiman The United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He had a strong 'mark ethic.

He was a Paper boy. He worked for the Browning-Ferris Sanitation Company with his Dad. He worked at AT&T as an Overseas Operator. He drove School buses for the Pittsburgh Public Schools. Ron worked for The Volkswagen Company in New Stanton, PA. When the factory closed, he completed Truck Driving School and earned his CDL license, and became a "Over The Road" Truck Driver in the U.S. and Canada for 26 years. J.B. Hunt was one of the companies he worked for.

He changed his title from "Over The Road " Truck Driver to "Local Truck Driver", to spend more time with his family. He was a truck driver for Robert Keppel Trucking, and delivered medical supplies to West Virginia at night and worked during the day at Three Rivers Center For Independent Living (TROL), as a Janitor. He also was a Jitney Driver. Ron lived in Utah and California as well. He was adventurous. He never met a stranger. He was a people person and a free spirit. He loved his family and enjoyed meeting new people and family members that he did not know. He was a friendly person, an independent thinker, who spoke his mind.

His favorite Hymn was "My Soul is Anchored" by Douglas Miller. He liked Anita Baker, and David Peaston. He liked to watch westerns, play and watch Basketball and Football. He liked to dance and listen to music. He enjoyed good food, and loved sweet potato and pecan pie, also spice and carrot cake.

Ronald was united to his beloved Sandra Denise for 30 years and enjoyed a loving relationship. He was a devoted dad to Kristaun Talbert-Whittle; and stepfather to Loren Ingram from a former marriage. He went to all of Kristaun's Gymnastic trainings and football games, and when home, his baseball games and practices. He enjoyed his life and was a skilled navigator of logistics. Driving and directions was his specialty.

Ronald was preceded in death by his parents, Brady Whittle and Maly Lee Whittle, his brother-in-law, Alvin Mitchell; sister, Diane Zigler; niece and nephew, Ebony Whittle Clam Whittle Jr. niece Lydia Mitchell. Father-in-Law John W. Talbert.

Honorable mention of deceased family and friends of 2023 God sister, Marva Hankins (Phila. PA), Emory Fleming (PA), best friend, Barry Wise (DE).

Ronald leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved wife and son, Sandra Denise (PA); and U.S. Navy SA Kristaun Talbert-Whittle (PA); son, Loren Ingram (PA); siblings, Sandra Mitchell, (PA) Glenn Whittle Sr., (PA) (Janice) Sheldon Whittle (Kim) (PA), Kelvin Whittle Sr., (Queen) (PA), Gaynelle Whittle-Shipp (SC), and Freddy Pennybaker (GA);

God family, Geraldine Smith (PA), Valerie Brown (Florida), Janet Harris (PA), Rhonda Fleming (PA), Ruby Weathers and family (MI); in-laws, Richard Gergich (PO) Gail Tolbert (SC) Timothy James Sr. and Christopher Dooley, Shaquana Postell, Kimberly and Michael Miller (NY) and the Gray and Talbert Family; Air Force friend, James Vickers (AL); college friends, Larry and Phoebe Clark (MS). The members of The Ruthven Street Sophisticates, Polish Hill, Lawrenceville Friends Organization. A host of nephews, nieces, cousins and other relatives and friends.