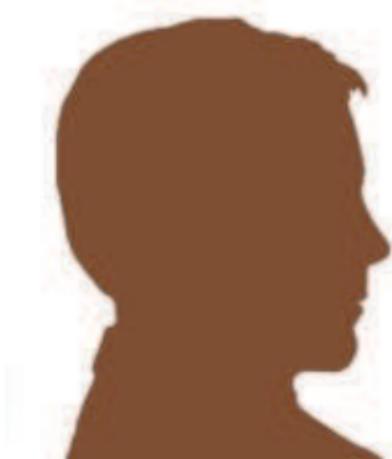


GONZELLA MAURICE COX



Gonzella Maurice Cox, 71, affectionately known as "Gunn" or "Moe" by those fortunate enough to know him, passed away on Sunday, June 16, 2024.

Born on February 24, 1953, Gonzella's journey began in Columbus, OH, when he was born to John and Bessie Mae Cox. He was baptized as a teenager at South High St. Baptist Church, an early sign of his lifelong commitment to his Christian faith.

Gonzella's life was intertwined with his beloved wife Gale, whom he met in 1978. Their union blossomed into a family that he cherished deeply. With Gale, he was blessed with two children, Precious and Jon-Bryant, each a testament to their enduring love. Monica, Gonzella's child from a previous relationship, added to their familial tapestry.

Education played a significant role in Gonzella's life, where his athletic talent shone brightly. He attended Waldorf Junior College in Forest City, IA, where he honed his skills on the football field. His journey continued at Augsburg College in Minneapolis, MN, where he furthered his education while continuing to pursue his passion for sports.

Gonzella had an undying love for football, which stayed with him throughout his life. He was a proud Cleveland Browns fan in a Pittsburgh Steelers city. He was also known for his impeccable style. Gonzella was a connoisseur of men's fashion, always collecting suits and stylish attire. Gonzella's greatest gift was his ability to connect with people. His infectious laughter and warm presence made others feel at ease. His generosity and kindness endeared him to all who knew him, leaving indelible memories that will be cherished for years to come, a testament to his profound impact on those around him.

Gonzella is preceded in death by his parents, John and Bessie Cox; wife, Gale Langhorn-Cox; brothers, Norris Greene and Ralph Green; sisters, Carrie Green and Myrna Foster.

He is survived by his daughter, Precious Faith (Troy) Mack; his son, Jon-Bryant Langhorn-Cox; and his daughter, Monica Durant; his sisters Phyllis (Bobby) Riley; Freda (Israel) Bell; and his brother, Benjamin (Cathy) Cox and a host of relatives and friends.

Friends and family will be received on Friday, June 21, 2024, from 4 pm until 8 pm, at the **GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. AND CREMATION SERVICES OF MONROEVILLE**, 4335 Northern Pike (412-372-2100), and funeral service will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2024, at 11:00 am. A burial service for the family will follow at Restland Memorial Park in Monroeville, PA. To leave condolences please visit www.corl funeralchapel.com

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