CHARLES "JODY" RAEFORD, JR.

Age 63, of Pittsburgh, PA, passed away on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. Son of the late Charles and Rose Raeford, Sr. Devoted husband of Shirell Raeford. Loving father of Camden Raeford, Corbin Raeford, Mario Montova, and Dominick Montoya. Brother of Robin (Carl) Turner, and Candace (Kent) Jones and Lisa (Ken) Croom. Jody is also survived by his faithful companion, Cairo, and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends. He was the executive director of a nonprofit that was near and dear to his heart for over a decade, Hope Foundation. He was handy, funny, and most of all, reliable. He was kind, patient, and a teacher. He always had a smile on his face. Jody always put others before himself, all the way up until the end. Jody was known as a teacher, a kind and patient man who brought light to everyone he encountered. He was loved and will be dearly missed by all who knew him. Friends received Tuesday 4 p.m. until time of service at 5 p.m. at **ROSE** FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES, INC.

