



Barron Duvall Player

March 6, 1961 - May 7, 2021

Barron Duvall Player, 60, was born March 6, 1961 in Gainesville, FL. Barron transitioned from his earthly life on May 10, 2021 in Pensacola, FL after a short illness. Barron was the oldest of three sons born to the union of Jeanette S. Filer and Chester F. Player, Gainesville, FL.

Barron graduated from Gainesville High School in 1979 and enrolled at the University of Florida where he was a proud member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. Barron obtained a degree in Psychology from the University of Central Florida in Orlando, FL. His chosen profession as a Counselor for many years motivated him to seek entrepreneurship. He pursued and formed his own business, Building Better Community Services (BCS) to provide counseling services to families and individuals with disabilities.

Barron was married to the love of his life, Bonita Angela James, who preceded him in death, November 2020. From their union, their son, Cyrus Player was born. He cherished his family and the loving relationship he had with both his wife and treasured son, which was evident to all who knew him. Barron was an avid fisherman and enjoyed several chartered fishing trips with his family from a young age.

Barron was nurtured in the Christian faith at Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church, Gainesville, FL, where he became a faithful member. He later joined

his wife and worshipped in the Jehovah's Witness faith. Barron's faith in God was displayed through his loving dedication and commitment to God. He touched the lives of many associates with his love for people and a willingness to listen to their concerns. His caring heart truly reached out to help everyone in need.

Barron leaves to cherish his memory, a loving and devoted son, Cyrus Barron Player; his endearing parents, Jeanette Smith Filer (Napoleon, Sr.) and father, Chester Foster Player, of Gainesville, FL; two brothers, Romney Eric Player, of Shreveport, Louisiana and Dimitri Player, of St. Petersburg, FL; two step-sisters, Cynthia and Antoinette Filer, one step-brother, Napoleon Filer, Jr., all of Gainesville, FL; a caring mother-in-law, Georgia James, of Fort Walton Beach, FL, and a brother-in-law, Kenneth James (Nicole); aunts, Joyce Smith Williams (James), of Detroit, MI; Ferneese S. Morrison (Charles, Sr.), Mallie J. Smith of Gainesville, FL and Issibelle D. Smith of Detroit, MI; and an uncle, Denifield W. Player (Bettye) of Gainesville, FL, plus a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Tribute Wall

KJ

“ *Cousin Jeanette, You have my deepest sympathies for the loss of your beloved son. I was just informed of his passing. Please know that you are in my thoughts & prayers.. I remember Barron very well when I was growing up in the country side, when you all use to come out to visit so many decades past. Much love to the family back home.. Your cousin.. K Jackson*



Khristine Jackson - May 24, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *Our deepest sympathy, the Cartwright family*

Tribute Store - May 22, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *BRENDA D HENRY lit a candle in memory of Barron Duvall Player*



BRENDA D HENRY - May 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ *Fay Henry Prince lit a candle in memory of Barron Duvall Player*



Fay Henry Prince - May 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

FP

“ Really miss seeing him running the UF campus and leading the Alphas around! Reverend Frederick Pennington

Frederick "Fred" Pennington - May 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Many blessings to the Family and Rest in Peace my Brother...

Spike - May 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Sheila Robinson lit a candle in memory of Barron Duvall Player



Sheila Robinson - May 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM