



Samuel D. Golden

July 18, 1960 - January 2, 2023

My friends, death has once more invaded our ranks and have removed from the walks of life Mr. Samuel D, Golden "Duke", his soul having departed to dwell in heaven with his Lord. It is with heavy hearts that Bonaventure Funeral Home, announce that on July 18, 1960, God made a deposit in the earth realm and then on January 2, 2023 at 11:28 pm, God made a withdrawal of His deposit and called him home.

Samuel David Golden affectionately known to many as "Duke" was born on July 18, 1960 to the late Elder Samuel Golden and Nancy Beatrice Golden. Duke attended Chatham county public schools and graduated from Robert W. Groves High School in 1978. He accepted Christ at an early age, and was baptized at Little Bryan Baptist Church in Savannah, GA. He later relocated to Decatur, GA where he attended and volunteered at Berean Baptist Church in Lithonia, GA. Duke was employed with Atlanta Public Schools for 22 years. In 2019, he was recognized and honored as the 2019 Support person of the year. Over the last decade or so, he worked at Burgess Peterson Academy where he formed lasting

relationships and bonds with his colleagues and students alike. He always stayed in touch with his friends and classmates from West Savannah and Hudson Hill. Duke recently returned to Savannah and became an honorary member of Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church. On Jan 2nd 2023, Duke departed this life on earth to join his heavenly father. His faith never wavered, and he fought to the very end. He loved God, his family and the Dallas Cowboys. He left a lasting legacy with his family as a protector who always kept the peace. He also left an indelible mark on everyone that he worked with at BPA. He will forever be known for warm spirit, beautiful smile and unwavering support and love for his beloved Dallas Cowboys. He was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents Louis and Daisy Golden, maternal grandparents Claude and Gertrude Bacon. He was also preceded in death by his father, Elder Samuel Golden Sr. and a brother, Bernard Weston.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory his mother, Mrs. Nancy B. Golden, daughter Ms. Takelia Josha Golden and a grand-daughter Ms. Aniyah J Wilcox. Three sisters, Beverley Golden- Ruth of Stonecrest, GA, Gina Golden- Raines (Eugene) of Savannah, GA and Shawn Golden-Laws (Robert) of Hinesville, GA. Two brothers, Louie B. Golden (Donna) of Covington GA and Velton Golden of Buckhead GA. Two aunts, Mrs. Delores Bradshaw and Betty Ellington of Savannah. One uncle, Lewis Golden (Uncle Rabbit) of

Richmond Hill, GA. He also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and a special friend Ms. Debra Wiggins of Decatur, GA.

Express your words of sympathy by signing the online guest book. Ministry of comfort are being provide by the staff and management of Bonaventure Funeral.

Previous Events

Walk Thru Viewing

JAN 8. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Bonaventure Funeral Home
2520 Bonaventure Road
Savannah, GA 31404

Funeral service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Generation Full Gospel Church
2020 Tennessee Avenue
Savannah, GA

Live Stream Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM.

Bonaventure Funeral Chapel Of Savannah Facebook

Facebook Link: Bonaventure Funeral Chapel Of Savannah

Tribute Wall

JH

“ To the golden family keep looking up to where your strength come from man we raised up together on mell street close neighbors I got my start performing music from under your parents car port making noise before Mr boreke work evenings and thanks for the encouragement of words put in my spirit last we talked love you rest little brother JULIUS HENDRIX AKA BIG JU

Julius Hendrix - February 04, 2024 at 09:04 AM

JH

“ Duke I'm sorry brother I weren't there for you I'm struggling with a sickness duke I love you man all of y'all we raised up across street from each other and played everyday I got my start in the music from under your mom miss Nancy and Mr boreke y'all stay in prayer I'll be coming to see you all Loved always JULIUS CAESAR HENDRIX A.K.A. BIG JU

Julius Hendrix - February 04, 2024 at 08:56 AM

LB

“ Lakisha Bolston lit a candle in memory of Samuel D. Golden



Lakisha Bolston - January 09, 2023 at 10:46 AM

T"

“ My condolences to the Golden Family. I've known Duke my entire life and considered him like family, being that he was so close to my family (the Bryant's). My last memory of Duke was exceptionally great, being that he made a special trip last year from Atlanta to Hinesville, come visit with Pop(my dad) when he found out he was sick. What was so memorable is that, out of my 45 years on this Earth, he still called me my family childhood nickname (Pooh). A name, I almost forgot about. Rest well, Duke!

Tamika Blanchard "Pooh" - January 08, 2023 at 10:27 PM

LB

“ Praying for the Golden Family

Lenora Baggs - January 08, 2023 at 10:18 PM

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“ To the Golden family, you all are in my thoughts and prayers. Trust in GOD and he will surely get you all through this. He will be missed, but you will see him again. This is not goodbye, it's just see you later.

Toni Salughter-Hales (Classmate 1978) - January 08, 2023 at 06:04 PM

OJ

“ My deepest condolences to the Golden family! My family and I will forever be grateful to have had Uncle Duke in our lives! Thank you for being a brother to my dad and a uncle to my sisters, my son and I! ❤️ 🤔 🥺



Oreall Johnson - January 08, 2023 at 11:06 AM

CB

“ Me & Duke visiting Edward (Pop) Blanchard ... Another good friend ... Duke was always there!



Clarence P Bryant - January 06, 2023 at 05:00 PM

AW

“ From brother and childhood best friend Andrew "Doc" Williams-Hinesville, Ga



Andrew Williams - January 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM

MW

“ Mrs. Andrew "Doc" Williams lit a candle in memory of Samuel D. Golden



Mrs. Andrew "Doc" Williams - January 05, 2023 at 07:46 PM

RM

“ Duke had a warm and welcoming way about him with his kindness and good humor. It was a gift that touched my life. (Cousin Rima)

Rima McCoy - January 05, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Samuel D. Golden.*



January 05, 2023 at 07:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Samuel D. Golden.*



January 05, 2023 at 04:10 PM



“ *A true Friend Classmate Homeboy great school dayzz together You are gonna be missed my brother...RIP..SLEEP IN HEAVEN.*

Gregory Lee Grant - January 05, 2023 at 03:54 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of working with MR.G as I called him. We had some good time at work, and he made the time go by fast too. My Condolences to his Family, he will truly be missed.*

Paulette Williams - January 05, 2023 at 03:25 PM

AW

“ From your brother and childhood best friend. Andrew "Doc" Williams.

-Hinesville, Ga



Andrew Williams - January 05, 2023 at 02:24 PM

AS

“ To the Golden Family I would like to extend my heartfelt condolences sorry to hear about the passing of your love one.may he rest in peace.sincerly Alice Spencer of Midway Georgia

Alice spencer - January 05, 2023 at 11:15 AM

AA

“ To the family my condolences from Alexander Big Wayne Aiken Hudson Hill Hagood st

alexander w Aiken - January 05, 2023 at 10:37 AM

BA

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Burgess Peterson Academy - January 05, 2023 at 09:13 AM

CB

“ We offer our deepest condolences to the entire Golden family and all affected by Duke's transition. I'm really missing my Friend. May GOD Comfort and Keep you all; and as Duke always ended his conversations with me, "I got much love for you!"

Clarence Bryant - January 05, 2023 at 07:17 AM

CH

“ My condolences to the family and friends I grew up on Hudson Street Hudsin Hill Community Duke and I and several people we're one big family on Hudson Hill we had good times in the Rib Hut etc..Duke also with my biological mother the late Mary Lois Hardy at the mulberry Inn in Sav .Ga.take your rest Duke you we're the best sleep in heavenly peace.



Corletta L Hardy - January 04, 2023 at 02:57 PM

LB

Praying for the Golden RIP

Lenora Baggs - January 08, 2023 at 10:13 PM