



Mr. Ross N. Hailey Jr.

November 22, 1958 - November 27, 2018

Ross Nathaniel Hailey Jr., 60, was born November 22, 1958 to the union of Ross N. Hailey and Hattie Mae Best Hailey in Rocky Mount, North Carolina. He transitioned from earth to his heavenly home on November 27, 2018 peacefully in his sleep. He was preceded in death by his parents, stepmother Cora Lee Hailey, his foster mother Shirley Cooper, his sisters Marilyn Jeanette Johnson and Mary Cassette Richardson, his brother Milton Boddie, and nephew Jimmy Jermaine Richardson, all of N.C.

Ross was educated in the Rocky Mount Nash County School System and furthered his education at Trinity College. His love for working with young people led him to various jobs involving youth. Before becoming ill, he was last employed in Newport News Public Schools, where he served as a Parent Involvement Specialist.

He was baptized at an early age and attended East End Baptist Church in Rocky Mount where the pastor recognized his gifts and licensed him to preach at the age of 13 years. He later moved to Newport News, Virginia and united with Faith Baptist Church where he became the church musician. He later became Minister of Music for Sixth Mount Zion in Hampton, Virginia; and First United Baptist Church and Second Baptist Church East End, in Newport News, Virginia. His musical talents allowed him to play for many churches far and wide. He formed many choirs and organizations; such as, Booker T.

Washington Community Choir in North Carolina and Positive Image Club, and East End Community Choir in Virginia.

He went on to plant and Pastor of YADAH Open Door Kingdom Church, he also was the senior Bishop of the United Fellowship Of Kingdom Churches as these were some of his proudest accomplishment.

Left to cherish loving memories are: sons, Bishop Ed'ward Johnson (Antoinette), Kensington Johnson (Karlyse), and Kentrall Johnson all of Virginia. Six brothers: John Hailey, and Timothy Hailey of Virginia, Steven Hailey (Phyllis) of Maryland, Milton Bullock and Maurice Hailey of Georgia, and Michael Cooper (Elois) of Florida. Four Sisters: Rev. Eleanor Hailey of Newport News, Virginia, Bernetta Hailey Jack, Tawanda Hailey, and Teresa Juneo all in North Carolina, special Aunt, Margaret Best, his favorite cousin, Dr. Terri L. Best, grandchildren, and a host of great aunts and uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives, and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

M.E. Fisher Funeral Home
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Newport News, VA 23607
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Funeral Service

DEC **1**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Baptist Church
633 20th Street
Newport News, VA 23607

Tribute Wall



“ *M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ross N. Hailey Jr.*



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - November 30, 2018 at 07:46 AM

CH

“ *Sorry for the loss of your dear love one. May you find comfort and hope in God's promise to swallow up death forever and wipe the tears from all faces. Isaiah 25:8 Condolences*

C H - January 07, 2019 at 01:50 PM

AC

“ *Our prayers are with the family.*



Annette, Barbara, and Charles Crawley - December 05, 2018 at 06:31 AM

KH

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Hailey. We worked together at Newsome Park Elementary School. Please accept my sincerest sympathies on his passing. He touched many young men and women's lives while working with the school system.

May God wrap his arms around your family,
Kathy Hinchey

Kathy Hinchey - December 03, 2018 at 12:25 PM

TC

“ My heart goes out to the family of Mr Hailey. He was a great friend and mentor to all. He made sure that the youth would not go unnoticed in the community. He knew that our youth needed leadership and guidance that most were not getting at home and he was a father, grandfather and uncle figure to the community. He taught the youth that they are our future when no one else believed in them. He strived to make sure OUR YOUTH received the proper education and fought to keep open resources that the city would cut out for them. He was extremely active at Doris Miller Community Center to provide activities for them. His music was his passion and he taught anyone who wanted to learn. He is truly going to be missed by all the lives he impacted.



TONYA C COOPER - December 02, 2018 at 09:26 AM

SR

“ Our prayers are with the Hailey and Bishop Johnson’s family. We have known Ross since First United have served with him in the music ministry. I had the pleasure of working with him with the Jammin For Jesus choir. Every time that you would play a song that we didn’t know we would always say it’s a Ree-Ree song which meant a Ross Hailey song.i
I know for sure you are playing and singing in the Gospel choir.

Sherry and Gilbert Richardson

Sherry Richardson - November 30, 2018 at 07:55 PM

DC

“ God’s BLESSINGS are with you and your family at this time, and I am sending my love and prayers for you and your family.

Debra Cooper - November 30, 2018 at 07:16 PM

DH

“ We join in with the Prayer Warriors, praying for the family during these difficult times.



Dr. Brenda and Rev.Bronchie Hart - November 30, 2018 at 10:30 AM



“ 38 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - November 30, 2018 at 06:42 AM

MB

“ Mildred J. Bunn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ross N. Hailey Jr.



Mildred J. Bunn - November 29, 2018 at 03:08 PM

HM

“ So Sorry To Hear Of Your Loss.

May GOD Bless Your Family With PEACE, LOVE And JOY (For Memories Shared).

Henry Mitchell - November 28, 2018 at 10:49 AM

RL

“ Praying God's comfort and strength upon your family in the days ahead.

Renita Lassiter-Howard - November 27, 2018 at 04:13 PM

CH

“ Sorry about the loss of your dear love one. May you find comfort in God's promise to swallow up death forever and wipe the tears from all faces. Isaiah 25:8 Condolences

CH - November 27, 2018 at 12:39 PM

DL

“ Sorry for your lost. Ross song at both parents home going. Had the choir together for Deacon John Lyons home going. He was a people person would do anything for others. You will b missed RIH got your reward

Dr Jean Lyons - November 27, 2018 at 12:35 PM

HT

Heaven received another angel. Be encouraged family, God only takes the best. Helen James Turner

Helen James Turner - November 28, 2018 at 03:12 PM