

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

for
Mr. Gary Lee Hardin

SUNRISE
November 9, 1977



SUNSET
June 24, 2023

Monday, July 3, 2023
12:00 P.M.

Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church
315 WINCHESTER ROAD, NE
HUNTSVILLE, AL 35811

Dr. O. Wendell Davis, Pastor
OFFICIATING



Obituary

*"For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life,
nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers,
nor things present, nor things to come,
Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature,
shall be able to separate us from the love of God,
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."
Romans 8:38-39*

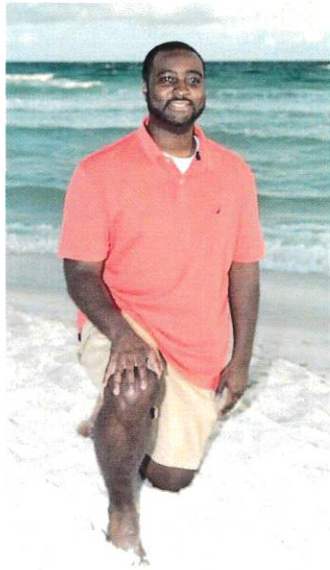
Gary Lee Hardin began his life journey on Wednesday, November 9, 1977 in Huntsville, AL. He was the third child born to Arthur and Clara Dailey Hardin. He was the grandson of the late Willie Albert and Delphia Griskell Hardin and Nathaniel and Martha Lee Dailey.

Gary was a product of the Madison County School System, beginning at Harvest Elementary School and graduating from Sparkman High School in 1996. From there, he matriculated to Alabama A&M University where he earned a B.S. degree in Electrical Engineering in 2000. His educational pursuits then took him to the University of Phoenix, AZ where online, he earned an MBA in Technology Management in 2006.

Guided by the precepts of family faith, at the age of 18, Gary accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. He was baptized by Pastor Eric Peebles at the Beaver Dam Independent Church. Later, he joined the Union Chapel M. B. Church under the leadership of Pastor O. Wendell Davis.

Gary and Aprille Lloyd (the love of his life), were united in Holy Matrimony on July 7, 2001. This husband and father was genuinely and earnestly devoted and dedicated to his wife and children.





Engineer **Gary** began his professional career with Soldering Technology (STI) in Madison, Alabama. From 2000-2005, he was Test Engineer at Northrop Grumman Corporation in Huntsville, Alabama. After this, he enjoyed a brief tenure as Systems Engineer (Requirements Lead) at SAIC, Huntsville, Alabama from 2005-2006. After which, Gary became a Senior Systems Engineer (Verification Lead), at Lockheed-Martin Corporation. At the time of his passing, **Gary** was employed as a Systems Engineer (NASA Support Contractor) with ERC in Huntsville, Alabama.

Gary was an avid basketball fan. During his leisure, he enjoyed coaching young people who played softball and basketball. Since 2022, he was a part of the coaching staff for the Firecrackers Softball Team.

Gary's paternal aunt, (the late Flora Hardin Pinchon) always said, *"Life is a journey with many twists and turns, and it can take you places you never imagined. But always hold to God's unchanging hand and He will direct your path."* Gary completed his journey here on earth Saturday, June 24, 2023 following an all too brief stay but a well-lived sojourn blessed by God.

Those who will cherish memories and carry on **Gary's** legacy include: his devoted wife, Aprille Lloyd Hardin; three loving daughters: Kailey Hardin, Kennedy Hardin and Kendall Hardin; his proud father and mother, Arthur and Clara Dailey Hardin; his caring sisters: Tina H. Patton and Pamela (Edward) Caudle; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Willie and Irene Lloyd; a brother-in-law, Calvin (Jesica) Lloyd; a God Daughter, Alivia Eggleston; aunts, Lucy (Bobby) Parker, Mary D. Garner, Thelma T. Hardin, Oudia (Michael) Jones Johnson, Sabrina (Curtis) Frazier, Angela (Michael) Doctor, Lillie Thomas, Pamela Lloyd, Ollie Tarver, Annie Vanknight, Marilyn (Charlie) Perry and Earline Woods; uncles, Clarence (Darlene) Jones, Jr., Gregory Lloyd, Fredrick (Patricia) Lloyd and Johnnie (Jean) Jones; nieces, Leticia Patton, Stephanie (Quartavious) Sharpe, Parker Scales, Shaniqua Caudle and Kolaia Love; nephews, Shamar Caudle, Leelon Lloyd, and Warren Lloyd; a host of cousins, friends, and co-workers.

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION.....Brother Roy Williams, Jr.
Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church
(Cousin)

PRAYER AND OLD TESTAMENT READING.....Rev. Dr. C. Jermaine Turner
Pastor, Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church
(Cousin)

NEW TESTAMENT READINGMinister Maurice Hardin
The Rock Family Worship Center
(Cousin)

SELECTION.....Brother Roy Williams, Jr.

REFLECTIONS

AS BEST FRIEND.....Brother Christopher Dillard

BASKETBALL.....Brother Cory Sims

SOFTBALL.....Brother James Webster

RESOLUTIONS

ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION...Dr. Terrence Vickerstaff
Vice President

UNION CHAPEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCHSister Johnnie Clift

SELECTION.....Elder Shawn Moore
Pastor, St. Minor Primitive Baptist Church
(Cousin)

EULOGY.....Pastor O. Wendell Davis
Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

SELECTION.....Elder Shawn Moore

PRAYER.....Deacon Anthony Lacy
Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

MORTICIAN.....Royal Funeral Home, Inc.

RECESSIONAL

Flower Bearers

Cousins and Friends

Pallbearers

Cousins and Friends

Ushers

Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

Interment

Valhalla Memory Gardens
698 Winchester Road, NE ♦ Huntsville, AL 35811

Acknowledgments

The Family of Gary Lee Hardin expresses sincere gratitude for the many acts of love and sympathy shown them during this unexpected time of grief.

They are grateful for your prayers, visits, gifts, flowers, text messages, calls, cards, support – every expression of kindness and compassion that has been extended to them. May God richly bless each of you.

The Hardin and Lloyd Family

Funeral Arrangements Entrusted To:



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