

## Order of Service

Organ Prelude

**Processional** 

Prayer & Scripture......Elder Joseph Williams
Gordy Memorial Church of God in Christ

Musical Selection....."Take Me to the King" by Tamela Mann

Acknowledgement of cards, telegrams,

condolences and Obituary......Olympia Terrell
Powerhouse Evangelistic Ministries

Remarks......(2 Minutes Please).....Family & Friends

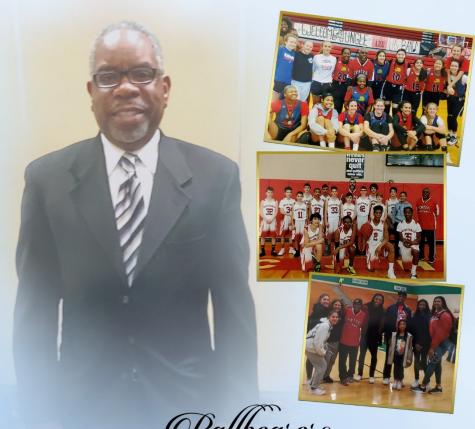
Musical Selection....."You Are God Alone" by Marvin Sapp

Recessional

"I fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" - 2 Timothy 4:7







*CPallbearers*Brothers, Nephews, Cousins, and friends

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Sisters, Nieces, Cousins and Friends

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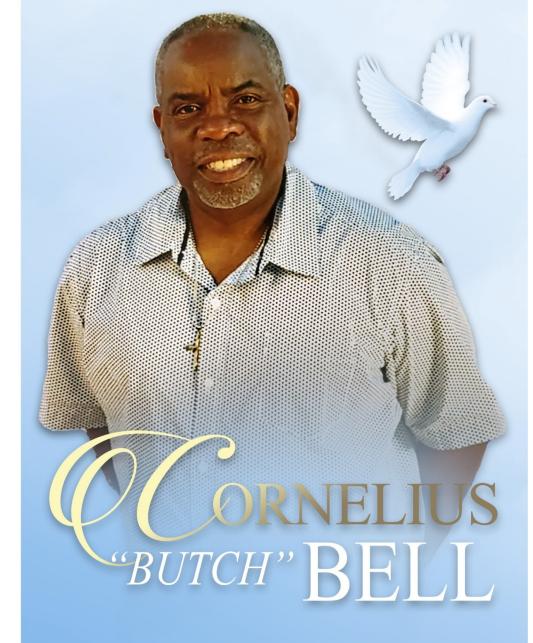
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The family of the late Cornelius Butch" Bell wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many acts and words of comfort in our time of bereavement. Your thoughtful actions, prayers and visits are greatly appreciated and you are loved for them. Please continue to keep us in your fervent prayers. A more personal thank you will be made at a later date.

Cornelius Bell Memorial Fund https://give.classy.org/Cornelius-Bell

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## CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF



Entered Life: April 11, 1957

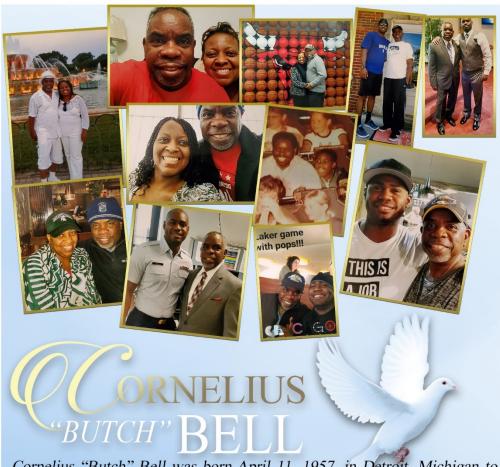
Entered Eternity: May 22, 2020

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2020

FAMILY HOUR: 3:00 PM | CELEBRATION: 3:30 PM

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Pastor Randall Greenwood, Officiant



Cornelius "Butch" Bell was born April 11, 1957, in Detroit, Michigan to Ruby Lee Johns and Elijah Bell, who both preceded him in death. Cornelius is also preceded in death by three sisters, Joyce Johns, Rita Rhodes and Marcella Williams; and one brother Waymond Lovett.

Butch was a very intelligent, astute, and sensible person. His perspective was refreshing. He attended John Adams Junior High School in Los Angela, California. Butch graduated from Los Angeles High School, "home of the Romans" in 1975. He graduated from Loyola Marymount University in 1980. Butch was a dedicated member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity where he was affectionately known as "Komines."

In Butch's early employment years, he worked for Regal Plastics and Macy's. However, his passion was the wellbeing and education of children. He worked as a Site Coordinator for Community in Schools of Mid-America, Inc. in Lawrence, Kansas for several years. Butch continued working in education. He worked for Lawrence Public Schools. Butch had two roles at Liberty Memorial Central Middle School: Parent Involvement Coordinator and PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Supports) Coordinator. He worked at Pinkney Elementary School also in Lawrence, Kansas. Butch was the assistant coach for the eighth-grade boys and girls' basketball teams at CMCMS.

Butch was introduced to Jesus Christ and holy living from birth. He attended the Greater Good News Church of God in Christ in Los Angeles, California. Butch was a member of the youth choir. While living and working in Lawrence, Kansas, he was a faithful member of the First Regular Missionary Church under the leadership of Pastor Aresenial Runion. He was a loyal member of the Deacons Board. Butch loved the Lord, church, and the Word of God. He served faithfully every week until his health began failing him in late 2017. He retired and moved to Detroit, Michigan in 2018 for medical treatment. Unofficially, he began attending Bailey Temple Church of God in Christ under the leadership of Pastor Randall Greenwood, and Powerhouse Evangelistic Ministries under Pastor William D. Sumlin Jr.

Butch enjoyed traveling, reading, and music. A man with many hobbies, he was known as the t-shirt man and had a green thumb. Butch was infamous for his gardening, something he took great pride in. He was a collector of good information. Butch was smart. He was a regional leader with Primerica Life Insurance Company for over thirty years. He did securities and other financial investment work. He held licenses in many states, to service hundreds of clients.

Butch was many things to many people. He was his brothers' keeper, his sister confidant, and a wonderful friend too many (James Thompson, Gary Hall, Craig Butler, and Hubert Johnson) just to name a few. He was the best uncle, the one you could discuss personal and professional business with. He was affectionately known as "Coach" or "Coach Bell." Butch was a godfather to several young men and women (Diamond Allen, who was like a daughter, Zyan Williams, and Asia Goodwin).

On May 22, 2020, Butch journeyed home to be with the Lord.

He leaves to cherish his memory and carry his legacy, his loving wife Claudia Riley-Bell; his son Benjamin C. Bell (Cara); stepdaughter Jaylaan Riley; sisters Barbara Lee (Larry) of Newton, Kansas; Sharon Johns-Floyd (Norris) of Foney, Texas; Gloria Johns-Porter of Wichita, Kansas; five brothers Baltimore Johns (LaQuana) of Inglewood, California, Alton Johns of Dallas, Texas, Ernest Johns Jr (Kathy) of Dallas, Texas, Willie Bell (Carol) of Detroit, Michigan, and Gonzallo Lovett Sr. (Patricia) of Detroit, Michigan; sisters-in-law Tina Williams, Venus Green, Charlotte Tillmen, Dion Williams, and Sherri Grayson; brothers-in-law Will Williams Jr, DeAndre Williams, and Tamar Williams; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. The Lawrence Publics School District, the First Regular Missionary Baptist Church family, the Bailey Temple Church of God in Christ family, and the Powerhouse Evangelistic Ministries Church family.

SWEETIE,
ALWAYS REMEMBER HOW
MUCH I LOVE YOU—
YOU COULD BRIGHTEN MY DAY
AND MAKE MY NIGHTS
WITH WARM TENDER WORDS YOU
WOULD MAKE ME LAUGH
IN YOUR MAGICAL WAY OR
MAKE TROUBLES GO AWAY
ALWAYS REMEMBER HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU...
TODAY, TOMORROW AND ALWAYS.
-CLAUDIA

