



A MOTHER'S PRAYER

Before a child is first conceived
A cry goes up, "Lord, let it be."
And from His throne room way up there,
God's ear is tuned to a Mother's prayer.

Then daily as this little child grows,
"Keep evil away" the angels are told!
And by the swords and shields they bear,
God has heard that Mother's prayer.

Then one day as the child is sleeping,
"Let him know Jesus" she mutters while weeping.
The angels are shouting and the trumpets blare,
As the Father above hears a Mother's prayer.

As the world presses in on this teenage life,
She calls for his destiny through agony and strife.
Then God responds to a faith so rare,
That compels Him to answer this Mother's prayer.

Now all grown up and on his own,
She prays for him by letter or phone.
And God stands by with His right arm bare,
To listen and answer a Mother's prayer.

By Wayne Dillard



Precious Memories

In Loving Memory of Larry Dean Montgomery

SUNRISE
September 6, 1953

SUNSET
October 1, 2019



SERVICES

Wednesday, October 9, 2019 — 11:00 a.m.

EARL M. TEMPLE MEMORIAL CHAPEL

2801 N. Kelley Avenue
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111

Rev. LeRoy Smith, Pastor
Plainview Baptist Church
Eulogist

Rev. Clarence Johnson, Pastor
Transformation Church International
Officiating

Obituary

Larry Dean Montgomery was born on September 6, 1953 to Wilma J. Montgomery and Sylvester Montgomery in Oklahoma City. He was the second of eight children.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Hollis and Kattie Pickett; paternal grandparents, Frances Gaines Taylor and Bessie Montgomery; and cousin/best friend, James Bunyan Greenhoward III.

Larry had a kind, humble and friendly spirit and was loved by those who knew him. He had a huge heart and offered his support and resources to family and friends. He worked extremely hard and would sometimes work multiple jobs to help others in need. He had a calm demeanor and seldom raised his voice. He never spoke badly of people and would always try to see the good in others. Although Larry was not religious, he was a Believer. He lived his life in a manner that exemplified the scripture found in Ephesians 4:32. He clothed himself with compassion and kindness, and consistently forgave others.

Larry loved sports, especially OU football, the Oklahoma City Thunder, and golf. He could be found on the golf course anytime the weather permitted. Larry was an active member of the Eastern Golf Club (EGC) of Oklahoma City. The Club was formed by a group of black men and women to introduce and encourage minority youth to get involved with the sport and positively impact the community. In 2003, the EGC Junior Golf Program was established as a 501(c) (3), which allowed the Club to not only provide free golf lessons, but subsidize tournament entry fees and travel expenses for program participants. It also allowed the Club to provide grants to minority golfers pursuing PGA certification. Since 2003, the EGC has granted more than \$30,000 in renewable scholarships to deserving youth in the area.

Larry is a 1971 graduate of Bishop McGuinness High School and also completed college hours at the University of Oklahoma and Central State University (now the University of Central Oklahoma). At the time of his death, he was employed as a Moulder Operator at Caston Architectural Millwork, where he was a loyal and dedicated employee for 27 years. He also established a tax preparer business (Montgomery's Tax Service) and would frequently go unpaid for his tax preparation work. He never complained or pressured his clients for payment. He believed in helping those in need.

Larry departed this life on October 1, 2019. He leaves to cherish his memory his mother, Wilma J. Montgomery; his father, Sylvester Montgomery (Maria); daughters: LaCresha Johnson-Senter (Edward) and LaKeesha Montgomery; granddaughters: Lakara Montgomery, Patience Montgomery, Layla Senter, and Christian Montgomery; grandson, Edward Senter, Jr.; great-granddaughter, Koriah Montgomery; brothers: Bruce Montgomery (Rhonda), Dale Montgomery (Vilynsia), Craig Montgomery (Heather), Donald Montgomery (Andrea); sisters: Felicia Montgomery, Deborah Jenkins (Ezekiel), and Dianna Berry (Major); and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.



Order of Service

Musical Prelude..... Shirley Cole

Processional..... Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

Prayer..... Rev. Tony Wise, Pastor
Voice of Praise Baptist Church

Musical Selection — “Amazing Grace”..... Shirley Cole

Scripture Reading
Old Testament..... Rev. Paul Purvey,
Associate Minister, Plainview Baptist Church

New Testament..... Dr. Dunn Cumby, Deacon
Corpus Christi Catholic Church

Musical Selection..... Shirley Cole
“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”

Resolutions/Acknowledgment..... Magnolia Cumby

Remarks (Please limite to two minutes)..... Terry French
Gina LaJoyce Payne
Marcellus “Skip” Jones
Other Friends/Family

Eulogy/Words of Comfort..... Rev. Leroy Smith

Reflections of Life Video

Recessional..... Ministers, Funeral Directors, Family

Active Pallbearers

Members of Eastern Golf Club of Oklahoma City:
Terry Frence • Tony Christian • Steve Sumpter
Todd Fize • Marc Patton
Bob Lucky • Travis Ray • Cedric Brown

Honorary Pallbearers

Glenn Brooks • Chris Burden • Calvin Edwards
Keith Hunt • Richard Lewis
David Long • Peter Miller • Wayne Snow
Dale Montgomery II • Tim Morgan II • Ezekiel Jenkins III

Flower Bearers

Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary, #264
Doris Washington, Friend of Family

Honorary Flower Bearers

Lakara Montgomery • Patience Montgomery
Layla Senter • Christian Montgomery • Koriah Montgomery

Interment

Hillcrest Memory Gardens
12813 N. E. 50th Street • Spencer, Oklahoma

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Acknowledgment

The family of Larry Montgomery expresses sincere gratitude and appreciation for all the love and acts of kindness. We take great comfort in knowing that we have caring friends and family to support us during this difficult time. Your prayers, flowers, phone calls, text messages, food, and visits to the home increased our faith, lifted our spirits, encouraged our hearts, and nourished our bodies. Please continue to pray for us in the days, weeks, and months ahead. May God bless each of you.