

### *Pallbearers*

Christopher Ward  
Desmond Marshall  
Roy Don Sweet

Jeffery Jones  
Sterling Sutton  
Eugene Sweet

### *Flower Bearers*

Kristi Murdock  
Charzina Fields  
Tracy Bowie

Jimmecia Gillion  
Chaketha Bowie  
Lavonna Bowie

### *Interment*

Fort Sill National Cemetery  
Elgin, Oklahoma

Please drive with your lights on for safety and fasten your seat belts.

### *Acknowledgement*

The family of Darnell Ward wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. May God bless each of you.

We also would like to thank the staff at Heritage at Brandon Place and Heartland Davita for their care and support throughout his healthcare journey.

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# IN LOVING MEMORY OF **DARNELL WARD**



**SUNRISE**  
October 1, 1959

**SUNSET**  
October 29, 2020

### *Services*

Monday, November 9, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

**Temple & Sons Funeral Directors, Inc.**  
**Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel**

2801 North Kelley Avenue  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Pastor Ray Douglas - Officiating

## Obituary

Our beloved brother, Darnell Ward, age 61, passed away at Heritage at Brandon Place Health & Rehabilitation on Thursday October 29, 2020, following a courageous battle with his health.

He was born October 1, 1959 in Vernon, OK to the late Douglas F. Ward and the late Peach E. Ward.

Darnell was raised in Oklahoma City, OK. As a youth he professed his belief in Jesus Christ and was baptized at Siloam Missionary Baptist Church. Darnell attended Oklahoma City Public Schools and graduated from Millwood High School in 1978.

After graduating, he enlisted in the military and served in the U.S. Army from 1978-1988. Germany was his favorite duty station.

After the military, cooking became his next career. He worked in various restaurants and enhanced his cooking skills. Darnell made the best pan fried potatoes.

Darnell loved fast cars and his Dodge truck. In his past time, he enjoyed spending time with friends and family, fishing, relaxing at home, watching action and western movies. He was known for his kind and compassionate spirit and his will to help others.

Darnell is survived by his brother Christopher (Vicki) Ward of El Paso, TX; sisters Della (Jeffrey) Ward-Jones of Kansas City, MO and Josette (Desmond Marshall) Ward of Oklahoma City, OK. He is further survived by additional siblings from a blended family blessing: Cynthia J. (Jimmy) Gillion of Midwest City, OK; Lourie (Andre) Sweet of Oklahoma City, OK, Roy Don Sweet of Spencer, OK and Eugene (Petrina) Sweet of Dunlop, WA. A host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends will also cherish his memory. His parents preceded him in death.

## Order of Service

Musical Prelude

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

Selection ..... Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church

Scripture Reading ..... Ministers  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer ..... Minister

Selection ..... Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church

Resolutions/Acknowledgements ..... Sister Barbara Stone

Reflections ..... Family Members & Friends

Selection ..... Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church

Words of Comfort ..... Pastor Ray Douglas  
Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church

Closing Prayer ..... Minister

Video Presentation ..... Temple & Sons Funeral Directors

Parting View ..... Temple & Sons Funeral Directors

Recessional