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Melvin Loveless
Johnny Nubine

Clifton Howard (in spirit)

Flower Bearers

Family & Friends

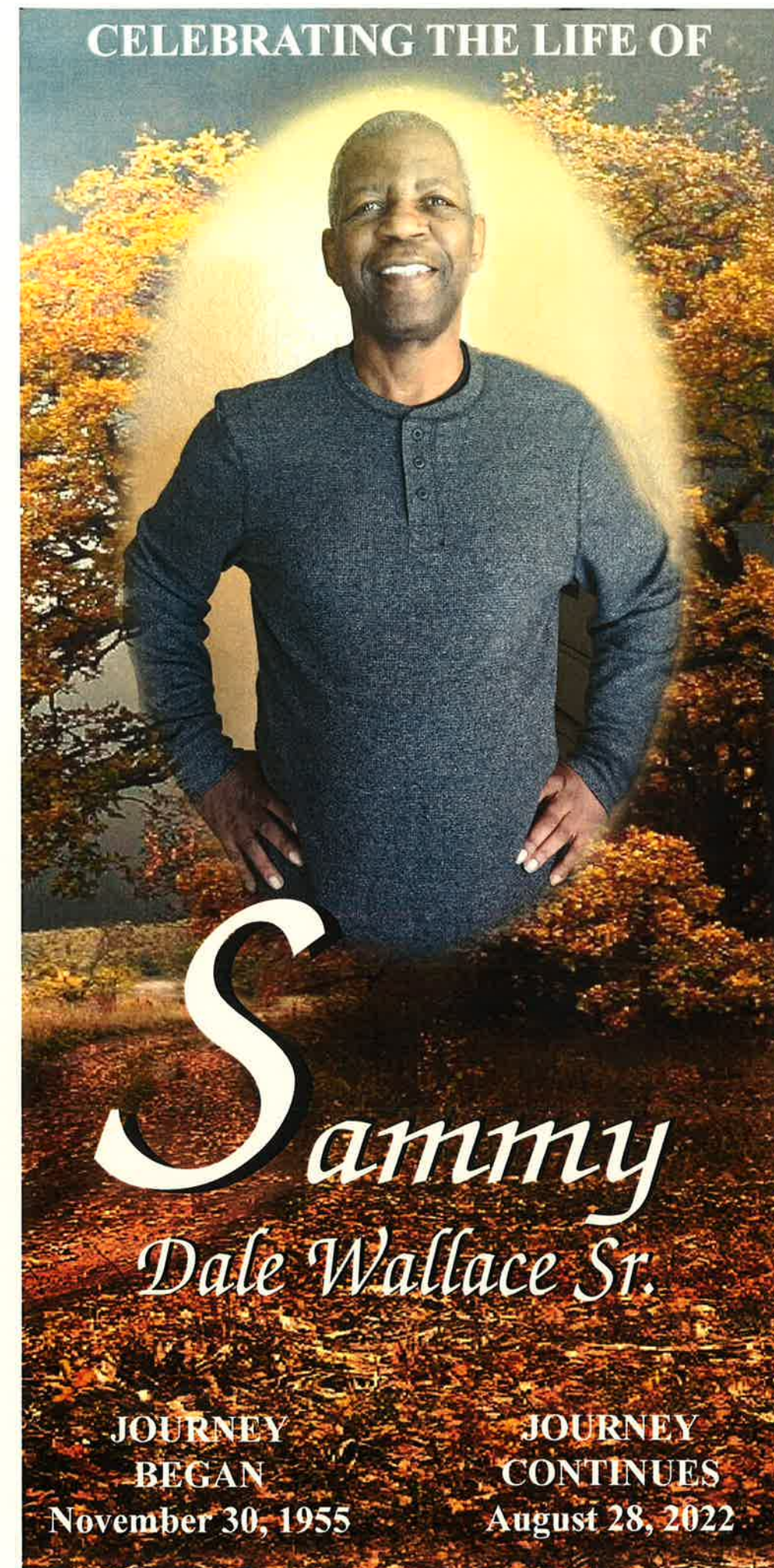
Acknowledgement

The family of Sammy Dale Wallace Sr. wishes to express their sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Sammy Dale Wallace Sr.

**JOURNEY
 BEGAN
 November 30, 1955**

**JOURNEY
 CONTINUES
 August 28, 2022**

Celebrating the Life of Sammy Dale Wallace, Sr.

Sammy Dale Wallace, Sr. began his life's journey on November 30th, 1955 in Shawnee, Oklahoma. He was the son of James W. Wallace, Sr. and Mattie L. Wallace. Sammy was the 8th born of 11 children.

Sammy attended Dunbar Elementary School before its closure and the students were transitioned to Franklin Elementary School in the 4th grade. Sammy graduated in 1974 from Shawnee High School where he was a noted academic scholar and star football athlete. He continued his football career at McPherson College after graduating from high school.

Sammy moved to Oklahoma City in 1977 where he met and later married Julia Allen; and together they had three children, Sammy II, Cedric, and Nzuri. Sammy began his career as an employee for the City of Oklahoma City in 1981 and that career spanned 30+ years until his retirement in 2016.

Sammy took great pride in being a father to his three children and a grandfather to six grandchildren. He enjoyed listening to smooth jazz, shooting pool; and he had a distinct fashion sense from head to toe.

Sammy's father James W. Wallace, Sr., mother Mattie L. Wallace, wife Julia, sister Dorothy Mucker, and brothers James and Jimmy preceded him in passing.

He leaves three children to continue his legacy, Sammy II (Alex), Cedric, and Nzuri as well as six grandchildren, Madison, Mya, Brayden, Sammy III, Nyla, and Julia.

Additionally, Sammy is survived by his girlfriend Yolinda Washington, and siblings Ocie Anthony, Tereatha Ollison, Bettie Isiaka, Mae Parks, Joyce Ann Wallace-Thompson, Joe Wallace, Cohn Wallace, David Wallace, and Alan Wallace.

Through marriage and other family unions over the years, Sammy gained a large extended family who supported him and loved him unconditionally: Cleo and Joel Hughes, Angela Jones, Evedar Phillips, Penny Allen, Savannah Harris, Oseni Isiaka, Nora Sneed, Elsie Arrington, and Gloria Wallace Hutchison as well as countless nieces, nephews, and family friends.

Thank you all for your unwavering love and commitment to family and friendship over the years.



A POEM FROM THE FAMILY

The blessing of you. The gratefulness for you. The sheer appreciation of your presence, your life, the lessons. The triumphs, the shifts, the knowledge you shared as lifelong gifts. Your unwavering commitment to family and to love and to the belief in the power of family and love. Your life's journey, your life's work.

You taught us to find the strength to laugh through the tears and find the courage to navigate our deepest fears. Your motto, when life gets tough, hold your head up, say a prayer, and simply switch gears.

This life is less of a sprint and more of a marathon. You showed us all how to run it with a smooth, cool pace, the heart of a lion, and a dove's grace.

You taught us the strength of family and the power of love. A proud father, grandfather, and friend. A strong man. A pillar. Forever a man to remember, you sir, are a legend. This marathon we call life never really ends, and maybe the "end" is where it really begins.

To this life you were a great contender, and we will make sure this beautiful legacy you started is never forgotten and always remembered. We all know you were rarely seen without your hat on, in the end, our hats go off to you. Thanks Pops.

Services

Saturday, September 3, 2022 - 4:30 p.m.

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Earl M. Temple Memorial Chapel

2801 North Kelley Avenue

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Reverend Johnny Nubine - Officiating

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL

MUSICAL PRELUDE

Paul Taylor - Pleasure Seeker

OPENING PRAYER/ SCRIPTURE READING

Johnny Nubine

FAMILY POEM READING

Nzuri

SLIDE SHOW W/MUSICAL SELECTION

Regulators Instrumental

SPECIAL REMARKS

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