



A Celebration

In Memory of

CRAIG ANTHONY RIDDICK



April 14, 1960 - February 1, 2004

Saturday, February 7, 2004

Viewing 9:30 - 11:00

Mass of a Christian Burial

St. Anthony Catholic Church

12th & Monroe Streets, NE

Washington, DC 20017

Reverend Monsignor Richard Burton

Pastor



Obituary

On Sunday, February 1, 2004, Craig gave up his spirit and quietly departed from this life. He was born in Washington DC on an Easter Sunday - April 14, 1960 to Barbara Ann Riddick and the late Leon Riddick Jr.

Craig A. Riddick aka "Quago" attended DC public schools, graduating from McKinley Technical High School, and later attending American University. As planned, he would join the National Guard, getting a real chance to play "army" as he was known to do as a kid. Later he would join METRO, the friendliest bus operator on route and well loved by many. After undergoing his 1st brain surgery, Craig would transfer to the custodian department for Metro and be known to many on the rail system. Quago dabbled in fashion design and had a talent for creating his own unique style. Fly boy loved to dress!

In September of 1995, Craig would wed Marita and they were blessed with a baby girl Myla, whom he affectionately called MyMy. Craig could be confidently referred to as a family man. One who often spoke of and supported his family - actively spending time by correcting homework, picking the kids up from school and taking the gang to the 7Eleven. He always participated in school activities such as the Father & Daughter dance, as he loved to show off his little girl.

Known as the "Kissing Usher". He also served as a eucharistic minister, serving his parish community communion and sharing the gospel. Many would refer to him as the preacher, for he surely knew the Lord and could be found truly serving as a disciple. Many of those who were homeless could count on his great generosity. Most often, he accompanied his wife and daughter to feed the unwed mothers in city shelters. Craig always had a smile and hug for everybody and upon exiting could be heard saying, Love Joy Peace & Happiness!

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He leaves to cherish his memories, wife, Marita, daughter, Myla, mother Barbara Riddick Gaddy, other dad, Sonny Gaddy, brother Ronald "Antonio", mother-in-law, Kusen Crawford, sisters-in-law, Kim Riddick and Kim Crawford, brother-in-law, LeVelle Crawford, grandmothers, Mary Louise Johnson, Gertrude M. Riddick and grandmother-in-law, Lorraine Byers, nephews, Ronald, Alex & Kevin, aunties, Mert, Betty, Eileen, Alleyne, Sheila, & Cathy, uncles Tony & Mike, cousins, Danielle, Johnny, Keith, Mark, Irving, Germaine, Akil and many many other family members and a boat load of caring friends.



*Love has no other desire but to fulfil itself.
But if you love and must needs have desires, let these be your desires:
To melt and be like a running brook that sings its melody to the night.
To know the pain of too much tenderness.
To be wounded by your own understanding of love;
And to bleed willingly and joyfully.
To wake at dawn with a winged heart and give thanks for another day of loving;
To rest at the noon hour and meditate love's ecstasy;
To return home at eventide with gratitude;
And then to sleep with a prayer for the beloved in your heart and a song of praise upon your lips.*

Kahlil Gibran

**Craig always said He just wanted to have fun!
You can bet He is!**

John 10:10

Pallbearers

LeVelle Crawford
Germaine Johnson
Mike Johnson

Keith Long
Johnny Long
Ronald Riddick

Honorable Mention

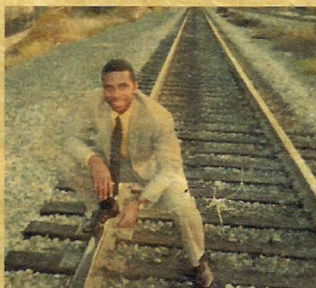
Irving Gwynn



"We'll see you on the other side"

In Appreciation

Your many acts of kindness have brought Craig's family through this time of sorrow. May the peace and blessings of our Lord keep you. We would also like to especially thank our St. Anthony School and Parish family for all of their support.



Services Entrusted to:
JOHN T. RHINES
FUNERAL HOME

Repast
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