

The Life of Terrence Howard Williams - Obituary

Terrence Howard Williams was born March 4, 1965 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Terrence Raphael Williams and Gertrude White (nee Henry). He was welcomed into the Williams & Henry families with open arms.

Terry, as he was lovingly called, attended school in the Public School System of Philadelphia. He later moved to the state of New Jersey where he attended Sterling High School and became a trumpet player in the marching band. Terry was a handsome young man and had a knack for being a sharp dresser. He would host modeling shows with his high school friends to show off their latest apparel.

Terry loved to cook and would often find himself in the kitchen creating meals. It was his love of cooking and desire to be a chef that led him to the hospitality industry. He was employed as a manager, chef and host and worked at a variety of restaurants and hotels in the Philadelphia and New Jersey areas; creating meals, and serving others, as he flashed his million dollar smile. One of his most prized jobs was being the Maitre D at Harbor League Club, Camden, NJ where he was one of a few black men allowed to work at this establishment. He eventually started his own Pop up Restaurant, proudly called Big Tee's Fish and Shrimp Etc. You can still find pictures of his scrumptious mac and cheese advertised on his Facebook page.

Terry was also an avid sports fan. You would find him in front of the television not willing to move whenever the Phillies or Eagles were playing. He loved to banter back and forth about sports with his dad and anyone else who would challenge him or his teams. He was so excited when the Eagles won this past year that his chest would be poked out whenever the Eagles were mentioned. Go Eagles!!!

When others, who know and love Terry, are asked to describe him, the responses are overwhelmingly that he was a kind man, a loving man, a silly man, an intelligent man, a dancing and partying man, a cooking man, a down to earth man, a laid back man. Those who really knew him loved him. He was also a family man who had a loving heart and often spoke of his love for his immediate and extended family, friends, and his medical/dialysis family on Facebook.

Terry always had a positive attitude even in some of his most difficult challenges with his physical condition. In his last moments, with a whisper of a voice, he tried to communicate his love for his family.

Terrence Howard Williams suddenly fell asleep on September 6, 2023 at Jefferson Hospital (Washington Township), Sewell, NJ. He is now at peace.

He was preceded in death by his mother Gertrude White, brother Darren Hicks, and nephew Tyree Williams.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his **Father**, Terrence Williams, his **Children**, Terrence Williams Jr. (Eleanor Lynn), Valerie Caison-Williams (Stephanie Caison), Kyle Morris (Deneen Morris), **Grandson**, Nasir Williams, **Granddaughter** Raqcu Williams. **Sisters**, Ovella Roberts (Kenneth), Nicole Tate, Aisha Williams, Caren Hicks, **Aunts**, Diane Henry and Carolyn Mims (Bill), **Uncle**, George Williams, **GodMother**, Annie Tremble and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family and friends.