



Ralph Castleberry

October 2, 1964 - December 4, 2024

Ralph Edward "YesSuh" Castleberry was born October 2, 1964, in Talladega, Alabama. He was the youngest of 11 children born to Annie Mae and Willie Arthur "Ralph" Castleberry and adored by all his older siblings. His oldest sister gave him his unique nickname, "YesSuh."

In keeping with the family's faith, he grew up worshiping his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ at Mt. Canaan Baptist Church. Ralph has always been witty and able to think quickly on his feet. His educational background began at Hal Henderson School and continued at Talladega High School. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the Army Reserves.

Ralph was popular among his peers and well-liked by everyone he encountered; to know him meant to love him. He was an avid sports fan and always cheered on his Tennessee Titans. He loved music! You could hear him coming miles away just by the loud music he played in his car - "Only You Can Make Me Happy" would always be thumping. Ralph's favorite artists were "Tupac, Boosie, and Plies; he was a true fan of his music and he could rap those songs word for word. Ralph eventually uprooted his life in Talladega and moved to Nashville, Tennessee. Once relocating, he started his entrepreneurship, establishing his own Food Distribution business, which he faithfully named "Castleberry's Gourmet Foods," and a furniture store named "Annie & Ralph." He also became fascinated with classic antique & vintage

cars. Ralph would spend his time fixing and restoring them, and sometimes he re-sold them. He was passionate about his cars; he would wash them every day. Ralph was well-known and loved by so many. His presence demanded attention; if that wasn't enough, he always had his witty sayings and remarks. He will truly be missed by all who knew him.

Ralph departed on December 4, 2024 at Princeton Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his son Corvius Barclay, grandson, Xavier Ferrell, parents, Mr. Willie Arthur "Ralph" and Annie Mae Castleberry, five sisters: Rosa Lee McKenzie, Willie Pearl Curry, Doris J. Curry, Brenda Rhodes, and Joice Castleberry, two nephews, Gary N. McKenzie and Charles Gregory McKenzie, and one niece, Tanja L. Curry.

He leaves to cherish his memories; his children: Kenetra Massingale, Shontavious "Poo Poo" Wright (Talladega, Alabama), Zaniya Castleberry (Nashville, Tennessee); son, Nacobie (Tanasha) Barclay, Tavarious Lee; grandchildren, Tranazia Barclay, Daishawn Stockdale, Corvius Barclay Jr., Ta'Jihya "Molly" Merritt, Corvion Barclay, Tralajah Wright, Kalyria Massingale, Zaylen Wright, Tacorya Barclay, Alyssa Barclay, Decaylen Wright, Lakendaz Barclay, Tremeah Barclay, Nacobie Barclay Jr., and Reign Ferrell; two great-grandsons, Corvius Barclay III and Ja'Nhylan Barclay; two sisters, Barbara Castleberry and Credelle Castleberry (Brooklyn, New York); three brothers, William (Gladdean) Castleberry, Maurice Castleberry, and Lamar (Georgia) Castleberry (Talladega, Alabama); and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, acquaintances, and friends.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC **14**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel
217 Coosa St. East
Talladega, AL 35160

Celebration of Life

DEC **15**. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

The Word Center Ministries
70530 AL-77
Talladega, AL 35160

Tribute Wall

TM

“ *My prayers and condolences going out to the Castleberry family. My uncle will be truly missed. When I was able to visit he showed nothing but love and showed me around.* ”

Terrence mills - January 11, 2025 at 07:39 PM

DD

“ *Deborah Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Ralph Castleberry* ”



Deborah Dickerson - December 11, 2024 at 01:04 AM

SC

“ *Shanevelyn Caldwell lit a candle in memory of Ralph Castleberry* ”



Shanevelyn Caldwell - December 07, 2024 at 09:20 PM

BH

“ *Barbara Harmon sent a virtual gift in memory of Ralph Castleberry* ”



Barbara Harmon - December 06, 2024 at 07:44 PM

PB

“ My deepest condolences to the Castleberry family, may God comfort and strengthen you all during your time of sorrow. I know you're saddened with heavy hearts, hold on to the fun loving memories you shared and he'll never part from you. Ralph was such a fun loving person with a smile that would brighten any room he entered he has graced so many people's with his presence during his journey here on earth. His fight here has ended, his battle has been won and victory has been defeated. I know your hearts were not ready to say goodbye, but all who really knew him and what he's been facing knew he were tired and his Heavenly Father was ready for him to take his rest. Rest well my friend you and your gorgeous smile will truly be missed....



Pamela "Ricki" Bradford - December 06, 2024 at 03:44 PM

KH

“ Kerry Holt lit a candle in memory of Ralph Castleberry



Kerry Holt - December 06, 2024 at 01:30 PM

CF

“ Calhoun Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Ralph Castleberry



Calhoun family - December 06, 2024 at 12:27 PM

MD

“ *Melody Dickerson lit a candle in memory of Ralph Castleberry*



Melody Dickerson - December 06, 2024 at 02:24 AM

SF

“ *Sharon Fluker lit a candle in memory of Ralph Castleberry*



Sharon Fluker - December 05, 2024 at 05:57 AM