



## Mr. Marcus Dion Gulley Sr.

December 30, 1970 - May 25, 2013

Marcus Dion Gulley, Sr. was born in Peoria, IL on December 30, 1970. He departed this life at 1:22 AM on May 25, 2013 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center.

Marcus leaves to cherish his memory - his parents, Leon and A. Margie Aldridge; his children, Marcus Dion, Jr. (DJ), Dominique and Desiree, all of Peoria IL; his grandchild, Christopher Hearn, Jr.; brother, Minister Leon (Katrina) Aldridge II of Memphis, TN; sisters Minister Tracie (Pastor Keith) Savage of Memphis, TN, Minister Aldisa Slaughter of Peoria, IL, and Juleo'n (Kedric) Meredith of Chicago, IL; his fiancée, Jessica Buhl and her children, Johnny, Quinton, Anthony and Jordyn. Also to cherish his memory are siblings of the heart Sonja, Tonya, Tammie Slaughter, those of his biological father, brothers, Will Herron III, Myron Branch, Phillip Smith, Kelvin Patterson, Kevin King (Las Vegas, NV), Jason Herron, Demetrius Herron; and sisters Evergreen Dotson, Jittaun (Raymond) Woods, April James (Tampa, FL), Maria Shon (Mike) Stallings (Battlecreek, MI), Sophia Kennedy (Memphis, TN). He also leaves to mourn his passing a large and loving family of nephews, nieces, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who will forever remember the gift given to us in the person of Marcus Dion Gulley, Sr.

His spiritual birthplace was Star of Hope Full Gospel Church. He was employed by Caterpillar, Inc. as a Manufacturer Engineer II. He was a 1989

graduate of Peoria Christian School. He received his Associates Degree in General Education from ICC, and was pursuing his Bachelor's Degree from Franklin University. He was well-known and respected in the youth sport and activity arena in Peoria including coaching JFL, Basketball and Baseball Leagues. He was an active member of the Freelance Riders Motorcycle Club.

Marcus was preceded in death by his biological father, Willie James Herron, Sr., his paternal and maternal grandparents, and one brother.

The Celebration of Life Service will begin at 1:00 PM on Friday, May 31, 2013 at Star of Hope Full Gospel Church; hosted by Bishop Joseph Johnson with the Rev. Clyde Gulley, Jr. officiating. The visitation will begin at 11:00 AM. Marcus will be laid to rest at Parkview Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Simons Mortuary. Online condolences may be made at [www.simonsmortuary.com](http://www.simonsmortuary.com).

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Education Fund for Marcus "DJ" Gulley at CEFCU.

# Cemetery Details

## **Parkview Cemetery**

2001 N University St  
Peoria, IL 61604  
(309) 688-0733

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Marcus Dion Gulley Sr.*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Marcus Dion Gulley Sr.*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *The color of one of his bikes!*



**Jordyn Carton** - June 04, 2014 at 10:11 AM



“ *I miss him so much, its just over a month! I was hi 'princess' as he called me!*

**Jordyn Carton** - June 04, 2014 at 10:10 AM



“ *Jordyn Carton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Marcus Dion Gulley Sr.*



**Jordyn Carton** - June 04, 2014 at 10:09 AM

RM

“ *SISTER MARGIE & FAMILY I'M SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT UR LOSS.. YOU HAVE MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES..LOVE YOU ROXANNE MCGHEE*



**ROXANNE MCGHEE** - May 30, 2013 at 03:22 AM

JB

“ *Mr. and Mrs. Aldridge and Aldisa - Jeff and I are so sorry for your loss. We regret that we will be out of town during the time of his celebration of life ceremony. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We have fond memories of Marcus. We are comforted by the fact that we will see him again in eternity.*

**Jeff and Jamie Bennington** - May 28, 2013 at 08:58 PM

LF

“ *Lorraine Washington & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marcus Dion Gulley Sr.*



**Lorraine Washington & Family** - May 28, 2013 at 06:34 PM

JE

“*Marcus was a good friend and Mentor. He taught me a lot while working together. His smile and laugh was infectious. He loved his children and enjoyed playing and coaching ball with his son. Marcus will be missed by many. " A life so young released to heaven, left on earth we wonder why, but some are sent among us briefly, Some have spirits meant to fly"*



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**Julie Ewing** - May 28, 2013 at 06:27 PM

CN

“*Prayers go out to the family. He will be missed.*



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**Carla Netters** - May 28, 2013 at 06:19 PM

MP

“*Melissa Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. Marcus Dion Gulley Sr.*



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**Melissa Price** - May 28, 2013 at 05:15 PM

BC

*Margie and Family, My prayers go out to you and your family. May God be your rock during your time of sorrow.*

*Brenda Rudd Cayson*

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**Brenda D. Cayson** - May 31, 2013 at 10:15 AM