



Mr. Vilancio Martel Johnson

September 11, 1975 - June 26, 2016

Mr. Vilancio (Vee Jay) Martel Johnson of Peoria, IL transitioned from this life to the next at 5:27 pm on Sunday, June 26, 2016 in Memphis, TN. Vilancio was born September 11, 1975 in Peoria, IL to Lynnette Johnson and Marshall Scott.

Vilancio was a graduate of Peoria High School. After graduation he attended Florida A&M University where he studied physical therapy. He also studied communications at Parkland College in Champaign, IL as well as film and video at Columbia College Chicago.

He had been employed at his family's business, World On Wheels Segway Tours and Bike Rides conducting Segway Tours, as well as Caterpillar Tractor Co. in Peoria IL before moving to Memphis, TN. In Memphis he worked at Technicolor, New Breed Disney, Electrolux, and Structural Waterproofing and Restoration. He was an industrious laborer and a hard worker last working as a chrome plater for Y&W Technologies in Memphis. A former boss stated he was the one to follow in the workplace.

Vilancio was baptized on May 27, 1984 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church where he was a member. An avid reader, he loved poetry and spoken word. Having a strong appreciation for the performing arts, he acted in several local productions, wrote and performed spoken word poetry, and was

manager/coordinator for several dance groups. He was a man of style and loved to celebrate life in color. Never one to reveal his true age, Vilancio was forever young.

Vilancio leaves to cherish his most precious memories his loving daughter, Te`ylor Johnson of Mascoutah, IL; his mother and father, Lynnette (Ronnie) Lee of Peoria; one brother, Vida (Aretha) Johnson of Peoria and two sisters, Markeisha and Marsheena Scott both of Detroit, MI; his maternal grandmother, Girline Johnson and his paternal great grandmother Mamie Hamilton both of Peoria; his paternal grandmother Estella Smith of Booneville, MS; nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, other relatives and friends who adored Vilancio. He is preceded in death by his father; one sister, Kim Williams, his maternal grandfather Sterling Johnson, his paternal grandfather Hubert Scott, and a special great aunt Lillian Holk.

Funeral services will be held at 10 am, Saturday, July 9, 2016 at Mt. Zion Baptist Church with visitation beginning at 9 am. Vilancio will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery. Family and friends will be received at 5326 N. Rothmere Dr. In lieu of flowers, monetary contributions to his daughter's education fund may be made to Te'ylor Johnson at Member's Choice Credit Union, 3919 N. University St., Peoria IL 61614.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at simonsmortuary.com.

Thank you so much for your support during this difficult time.

The Lee/Johnson family

Cemetery Details

Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 9. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church
305 S. MADISON PARK TERRACE
Peoria, IL 61605
(309) 674-4379

Funeral Service

JUL 9. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Vilancio Martel Johnson*



Simons Mortuary - July 08, 2016 at 06:04 PM



“ *Mr. Vilancio Martel Johnson*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. Vilancio Martel Johnson*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



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Vida Johnson - July 08, 2016 at 01:24 PM

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“ To Lynn Lee and Family sorry for your loss and May God's Angel's Wings spread around you all and bring you all comfort during this time of sorrow!! R.I.P. Vilancio you will be dearly missed but never forgotten!! God Bless!!



The Linwood Family - July 07, 2016 at 04:59 PM