

Hassan Abdullah Beyah

1974-2021

In the name of Allah, most Gracious, most Merciful We mournfully announce the passing of Hassan Abdullah Beyah, 46, of Woodbridge, VA. Hassan passed away on February 26, 2021.

Hassan, son of Queen Ameenah K. Beyah and Henry Bowe, was born on July 2, 1974 in Brooklyn, NY. After graduating from Boys and Girls High School in 1992, he followed a passion to serve his country in the United States Marine Corps from 1994 – 2000. He completed two tours at American Embassies in Lagos, Nigeria and London, UK. It was during time spent serving his country where he found his calling and purpose. Of his military service, Hassan shared "While in Nigeria assigned to the American Embassy in Lagos, I had the opportunity to view the world from a whole different perspective. I often volunteered during my off duty time at a local orphanage where I came into contact with young lives devastated by civil war, malnutrition, lack of adequate healthcare, AIDS, etc. Somewhere along the way, I began to realize that my personal experiences had in fact given me a unique voice, filled with compassion and understanding for the needy and downtrodden. I knew then that my struggle was only a test and that my experience was only a beginning down a long road struggling for the rights of the disadvantaged. I want to live a life dedicated and committed to public interest, fighting for basic human rights at home and abroad."

Once Hassan was honorably discharged from the US Marine Corps in 2000, he obtained his undergraduate degree in Criminal Justice at John Jay College in NY. Hassan was a lifelong learner and seeker of knowledge - he pursued further advanced studies in English and education. Hassan taught middle school English for several years in North Carolina and Texas and was described as a devoted, enthusiastic educator. He also taught ESL and boxing to youth in Juarez, Mexico. When not teaching, you could always find Hassan making art to inspire the world: behind a camera - capturing the beauty of others, writing poems and short stories, and singing many of his own original songs.

Hassan lived a full and vibrant life with more family and friends than you could count. He was earnest in his quest to nurture family ties and the bonds of love, warmth and understanding with all he knew. Hassan will be remembered fondly for his generosity, sincerity, warm, wide smile, piercing, soulful brown eyes, infectious laughter, creative and bold sense of style; as a dreamer, passionate humanitarian, soul-searcher, world traveler, and lover of music and art.

Hassan is survived by his mother Queen Ameenah K. Beyah, his siblings: Raymond McCoy, Nicole Mitchell, Henry Jones, Mahasin K. Beyah, Asya Mu'Min Miller [husband Michael Miller], Kameelah Mu'Min Rashad, Abdur-Rashid Beyah [wife Mey Ibrahim Beyah], Zakiyyah Beyah, and Mustafa A. Id-Deen. His many nephews and nieces meant the world to him - more than words can describe, they include: Raymond McCoy Jr, Raqan McCoy, Tyleek McCoy, Divine McCoy, Anthony McCoy, Raychella McCoy, Nacirema McCoy, Sherese McCoy [Raymond]; Subhannah Beyah, Fatimah Beyah, Naimah Beyah, Ibn-Ayyub Beyah, Melvena Beyah, Mikaylah Beyah [Mahasin]; Laith Mu'Min Moody, Adulvhv Mu'Min-Miller [Asya]; Laila Mu'Min Bell, Bilal Mu'Min Bell, Ismail Mu'Min Rashad [Kameelah], Na'ilah Beyah Blount, Sumaiyya Blount, Sharif A. Blount [Zakiyyah]; Zakariya Beyah and Zayd Beyah [Abdur-Rashid]; Mariana Id-Deen and Sincere Id-Deen [Mustafa].

Hassan was also beloved by many Aunts and Uncles:

Kenneth "Tricky" Clarke Jr, Henry L. "Junior" Clarke, Wendell "Butchy" Clarke, Dwayne Clarke, Deborah Clarke, John F. "Scooter" Clarke and Anita Clarke.

We will all miss him dearly.

May the most High bless Hassan, accept his good deeds, make his grave spacious and grant him the highest ranks of Jannah (paradise).