

Honorary Pallbearers

Grail Pendarvis Jr.
Gregory Pendarvis
Dontae Branch
Joel Pendarvis
Bryan Pendarvis

Honorary Flower Bearers

A'Niya Derrick- Pendarvis
Grace Pendarvis
Melody Pendarvis
Shamaria Pendarvis
Lucercia Pendarvis
Onthronette "Lanet" Pendarvis

Repast

Grenadier Club
4502 NE 23rd St, Oklahoma City, OK 73121

Acknowledgement

The family sincerely thanks everyone who called,
came by to check in, sent a card, or gave a
blessing of any kind. We thank you all wholeheartedly.
Special thanks to Hattie Oliver, the Williams Family, and Sen. Connie Johnson.

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A Life Well Lived

GRAIL *Dwayne*
PENDARVIS SR.

Journey Began March 19, 1945

Journey Completed January 4, 2023

January 20, 2023 ~ 12:00pm
Temple and Sons Funeral Home
2801 North Kelley ~ Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73111
Pastor Chris Nubane ~ Officiating



A Life Well Lived

On March 19, 1945, by God's grace Grail Dwayne Pendarvis was born in Anadarko OK to Grail and Mildred Pendarvis. He was the youngest son of eight children—he had five sisters and two brothers. He attended elementary and junior high school in Anadarko where he excelled in football and boxing. He moved to Oklahoma City in 1959, where he finished his intermediate and secondary schooling, graduating from Frederick A. Douglass High School in 1963. Grail enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1963. There he continued his skills as a pugilist, earning the Golden Gloves championship twice, while serving as an air policeman. He served until 1968 when he was honorably discharged, and went on to further his education. In 1969 Grail joined the United States Postal Service where he worked until 1990. While working for the postal service, Grail held multiple senior-level positions until his retirement. Upon retirement, he pursued other passions like computer and software engineering. While working full time he enrolled at Central State University (UCO) where he obtained a Bachelor of Science in Accounting in 1974. He was later accepted into Oklahoma City University's Law School. Grail decided to forgo a Juris Doctorate degree in order to spend more time with his children. In 1991, Grail opened an Accounting firm where he worked until his health failed, then chose to retire permanently.

In 1969, Grail met Carolyn M. Tucker, following a whirlwind courtship, the two united in matrimony on July 10, 1971. This union brought to life two sons, Grail D. Pendarvis, Jr. and Gregory D. Pendarvis.

Grail, Sr. was an avid sports fan with a distinct interest in boxing. He was an amateur photographer and ornithologist. He joined Freemasonry in 1983, reaching the level of Master Mason. He was a part of the Prince Hall Masons Keystone Lodge #2. But his true joy came from guiding and nurturing his children. Being the first to support them in their pursuits in life.

Grail is preceded in death by his mother and father, Grail and Mildred Pendarvis; his three sisters, Mable Bledsoe, Verta Massie, and Vivian White; as well as his two brothers, Billy Pendarvis and Lawrence Pendarvis. Grail is also preceded in death by his former wife Carolyn Tucker- Pendarvis.

Grail Pendarvis Sr. leaves to cherish his memory two sons, Grail, Jr. and Gregory; a daughter, Onthronette "Lanet" Pendarvis of Texas City TX; two sisters Jewel Landers and Margaret Burdex; grandchildren, A'Niya, Grace, Jeremiah, Gregory Jr., Ny'ilah, Melody, Shamaria, Lucercia, Dajour, and Dontae Branch. Numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

I'm home, Dancing among the stars, I feel your heavy heart from afar, I see a thousand tears you cry, Cry if you must but remember to smile, I wish not to be a sad thought, I long to be a memory of glory, For my short life is my precious story, To most, it might not seem a lot, To me, it's everything I've got, The life before we had to part, How I danced to the beat of your heart, There's so much I didn't get to see, I pray you'll be my eyes for me, As each new day begins to start, Approach it with an open heart, As though your very eyes are mine, See things as though it's the first time, See awe and wonder in all that be, And when you do, think of me, Then I will see the wonders too, By living through the eyes of you.

In Memory of My Dad

If I could write story
It would be the greatest ever told
Of a kind and loving father
Who had a heart of gold
If could write a million pages
But still be unable to say, just how Much I love and miss him
Every single day
I will remember all he taught me
I'm hurt but won't be sad,
Because he'll send me down the answers
And he'll always be MY DAD

- Grail

Letters to my Dad in Heaven,

I have the very perfect dad,
That is something anyone could see.
But I don't know if I've told him
Exactly what he means to me.
Perhaps he thinks I've missed his lessons
Or that we've grown apart,
But Dad, I've picked up every one;
They're forever written on my heart.
My dad is gentle but strong
And knows right from wrong.
He will sit with me all through the night,
That is why he is my glowing light.

My dad is like the stars,
Somehow he's always there.
My dad is someone who will always help,
Who shows support and will always care.
My dad is like a book,
the endings are never clear.
But through the pages, his love is always near.
My dad will always be;
he helps define just who I am
And is part of me eternally.
When times are good, when times are bad,
The greatest man in the world will forever
be... my dad.

- Greg

To My Dad

SO MUCH OF ME IS MADE FROM
WHAT I LEARNED FROM YOU.

I MAY HAVE OUTGROWN
YOUR LAP BUT I KNOW
I WILL NEVER OUTGROW
A PLACE IN YOUR HEART.
IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW
OLD BIG AND STRONG

I BECOME
I'LL ALWAYS BE YOUR LITTLE GIRL

I Love You
ALWAYS & FOREVER

- Lanet

Missing You

We don't know why you had to go but we know that we will miss you so much.
With your happy smile, and your sense of fun we can't take it in, that you are gone.

You brought joy to every life you touched and you are missed, so very much.
But, a beautiful soul lives on forever and memories of you we will always treasure

Now your spirit, has been set free, to be with your God, for eternity.
Enfolded in love, as you soar on high but for a while, we must say goodbye.
So rest in peace, free from all pain, till we meet in heaven, united again.

-A'Niya, Melody, Grace, and Greg Jr.,



Prelude

Processional

Ministers, Funeral Directors and Family

Scripture Reading

Old and New Testament

Psalms 23rd & NEW John 14:1-6

by Pastor Milton Williams

Prayer

Pastor Milton Williams

Song

Barbara Williams

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& Resolutions*

Sen. Connie Johnson

Remarks (2 minutes)

Song

Barbara Williams

Words of Comfort

Pastor Johnny Nubine

Video

Committal

Recessional

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