



Darryl Vincent Banks

June 21, 1950 - September 20, 2011

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Darryl Vincent Banks died after a long illness on Tuesday, September 20, 2011 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Syracuse, NY.

He was born in Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson to Ethel and Ralph Banks on the 21st day of June in 1950. One half hour after he entered this world his twin, Deryk Nathaniel, was born.

Darryl graduated from Hudson High School in 1968. In 1971 he received an Associates degree in Retail Management from Columbia Greene Community College, where he was on the Dean's list and inducted into Epsilon Delta Epsilon, a national honor fraternity for distributive education. He received a Bachelor's degree in business administration from the State University at Albany, and went on to earn a Master's Degree in distributive education from Harvard University in 1977.

He was an active participant in events in Hudson and in the larger society. He collected hundreds of signatures for the national petition to make Martin Luther King's birthday a national holiday. He expressed his views in letters to the editors of the Register Star. He was a member of several singing groups who entertained in the local community. He loved sports and played basketball

in high school and in college. In 1970 he was voted MVP by his teammates at Columbia Greene.

Darryl's career was in marketing. He was co-owner of a gift shop and a boutique at the Howard University Inn in Washington, D.C. for almost 20 years.

Darryl was not only passionate about the arts, he was a very creative, multi-talented artist. He crafted jewelry and made masks and other objects from found materials. He loved music and was the composer of a ballad titled "Dream Child" that debuted in a New York City nightclub. He was a prolific poet.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ethel Loveless.

Darryl is survived by his father, H. Ralph Banks, his twin, Deryk, his sister, Rae Banks, his brothers, L. Arthur and Ralph, his daughter, Aida Lewis-Polite, and nine nieces and nephews, Cerri, Deryk, Jr., Lamar, Kendall, Monica, Karim, Leslie, JayIn, and Shem. Also surviving are 10 grandnieces and grandnephews, and the many friends he treasured throughout his life.

A calling hour will begin at 1 pm Monday at the Bates & Anderson - Redmond & Keeler Funeral Home. Services will follow at 2 pm at the funeral home. Burial will be in Cedar Park Cemetery.

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“ I played basketball with Darryl at CGCC in 1970. Great guy. My brother Peter also played there with him. Very sad to here the news. Sounds like he had a wonderful life.

Tom "Al" Mullins

Tom Mullins - September 28, 2011 at 05:55 PM

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“ To Darryl's family and friends: We give all honor, glory and praise to God through His Son, Christ Jesus, knowing His grace and love abound in times like these. We pray your comfort in Him Whose mercy covers all grief.



Our memories span 16 years and are fun to recall. We will miss and love our friend always.

Bountiful blessings for you all.

Raye and Tiffany

Raye Tanner - September 26, 2011 at 03:34 PM

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“ My prayers are with the family of Darryl Banks. May God comfort you in your time of saddness.

Cheryl Young Bruggemann

Cheryl Young Bruggemann - September 26, 2011 at 07:59 AM

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“ *Deryk and family, so sorry to hear of the passing of your brother. I'll always remember the two of you from high school we had some good times together. GOD is good and he will give you and your family the strength to get through this. Praying for you.*

Cassandra (cassie) Hunt-Clark

cassandra m clark - September 26, 2011 at 07:55 AM