



Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.

September 20, 1964 - September 5, 2020

It is with saddened hearts and complete faith in God's divine plan, that we announce the transition of our beloved David Whitfield Buie, Jr.

David Whitfield. Buie, Jr. lives. He lives in everyone that was on the receiving end of that big, wide, "McCright, gap in the middle, smile". David lives in everyone who has ever been in his big bear embrace. David lives in anyone who was ever picked on lovingly, or teased mercilessly, using his silly, wink-wink humor. That's how he let you know he was paying attention, how he let you know he really knew you, saw you, and loved you intensely, sometimes in spite of what he saw. Dave lives in every friend he ever helped out, every auntie he stopped by to see, every cousin he hugged, and every niece or nephew he ever gave refuge from a too-strict parent. David Jr. lives in every older sibling who changed his diapers, gave him a bath, taught him how to hold his dukes up, helped him with his homework, comforted him and, (requested or not) advised him, because he was the baby. David Jr. was the youngest; and with that status, you just get big love automatically. Dave lives in and with all of us. David especially lives on in his children--his bonus daughter, Aquila, and his son, Tre', David Whitfield Buie, III.

When a man defies his father and follows his heart to marry the woman he loves, Stephanie, and take on the responsibility of raising a daughter, whom he loved tremendously, it speaks to his strength of character and

determination to be his own man. Aquilah's children, A'kil, Madysen and Avah gave David the treasured title of "Granddaddy".

David passed this strength and determination to his son, Tre'. Tre's kindness and deep love for his friends and family is a testament to David. His big smile, big hugs, and big heart are his father's legacy. His compassion and acceptance of all who cross his path is a mark of the beautiful character inherited from his father.

Dave was born to Mr. David W. Buie, Sr. and Evangelist Hattie Mae McCright Buie on September 20, 1964. He was the 7th of the union between Hattie and David. David was a funny and kind little boy. His primary years were spent at C C Spaulding School where he was a Safety Patrol. Other boyhood activities included Cub scouts, Boy scouts, and participation in Mt. Calvary Holy Church's children's choir, The Little Voices. David's educational foundation continued in true Durham South Side fashion by attending Rogers-Herr Junior High School and finally graduating from Hillside High School where he was a member of the Choir, the Drama Club and on the football team. High school weekends were spent at Wheels Skating Rink where he was one of the best on eight wheels.

Upon graduation, David attended Durham Technical College and eventually took a position with the Campus Police of North Carolina Central University. This is where David's career with law enforcement took off. After graduating from Durham County Sheriff's Police Academy, he continued to be a prominent presence on the NCCU police force serving as an Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant, and Arms Instructor. Within a span of a 30 year career at the University, he earned endless certifications, and commendations exemplifying his commitment training, excellence and service. Among Sergeant Buie's career highlights, being the official driver for two North Carolina Central University's Chancellors and receiving the North Carolina

Governor's Award were at the top. But, what he valued most was the family of brothers and sisters he acquired as a police officer. What he enjoyed most was grilling, feeding and sharing inside jokes and experiences with that family of officers over at 1405 S. Roxboro. But more than that, what he loved doing most was mentoring officers and serving his community with respect, humility, love, and laughter. So, after 30 years at NCCU, Dave retired, but not for long. He wrote; "After thirty years in Law Enforcement, I still felt young, and able to serve; I just wanted to continue to serve our community and mentor younger officers." This is exactly what he did. David joined the Durham County Sheriff's Department and expanded his family of officers and community by working in the courthouse. "You have to treat people with respect" he would say.

Dave, David Jr., Uncle David, did not spend all of his time in uniform. His downtime was spent at concerts, grilling, eating out, and traveling. Among his favorite getaways was the annual MEN'S TRIP. He and a group of his closest and best friends would get away for male bonding, laughs, good food, good drinks and big fun. That time meant so much to him.

David's body succumbed to the complications brought on by a rare blood cancer, Erdheim-Chester, on September 5, 2020. But his spirit will live always in our hearts, spirits, and memories of how he made us feel loved.

David is survived by his son, David W. Buie, III, a daughter, Aquila Moore, (Stephanie Buie), A brother Anthony "Pete" Whitfield Buie, Three sisters; Brenda Buie Burnette, Celestine Buie, and Donna "Koku" Buie, three grandchildren, A'qil, Madison, and Avah, 14 adoring nieces and nephews: Leslie Buie-Baber, (Brandon), James Buie, Albert Burnice Burnette, Trina Richard, (Dwayne), Rhonda Arrington Bey, Donja Mercer, (Donta), Aaron Burnette, Solomon Burnette, Bridget Rogers, Bianca Arrington, Jena Drummond, (Christopher) Amber Harris, Lucinda Harris, Elisha Harris, Blessid

NiaYemi, his family of officers in law enforcement and a host of other relatives and friends.

A graveside service of celebration has been scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at Beechwood Cemetery, 3300 Fayetteville Street, Durham, NC, 27707.

In every effort to protect our families and their guests, face coverings are required.

Cemetery Details

Beechwood Cemetery

3300 Fayetteville St
Durham, NC 27707
(919) 560-4154

Previous Events

Graveside

SEP **12**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



NCCU Alum - September 28, 2020 at 08:59 PM



“ *As a neighbor and a family friend and school mate the Darlene Malloy Haskins/Higgins family offers our condolences to the Buie family on the loss of David Buie. Be encouraged and comforted that many of us share your loss.*



darlene Haskins - September 15, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss. Praying for the family.*



Jackie Cross - September 13, 2020 at 11:31 AM

PS

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Buie Family. David was a wonderful friend and high school classmate. I have many fond memories of time spent with David, Donna, and our other friends. May God comfort you all during this difficult time. And may David rest in peace.*

*With love,
Precious Stone
Hillside Class of 1982*

P. Stone - September 12, 2020 at 05:01 PM

TH

What a wonderful person to have known. He is going to be an even a better angel in heaven to know once we all get there. David was the best of hillside high school friends . I can still remember his funny jokes and smile. David you will really be missed by this one classmate. Until we meet again my friend rest in peace. To the Buie family thank you for sharing with us an awesome friend may God bless you . I know this brother went straight to heaven.

*God bless
Toki T . Holden -classmate*

Toki T. Holden - September 13, 2020 at 07:56 AM

CM

“ *To :Celestine Buie and Family
Our prayers and thoughts are with you during this time of your loss of your brother..*

May God be with you and bless you and your family. God's Grace

Wayne and Carolyn Mckinnie

carolyn mckinnie - September 12, 2020 at 01:57 PM

RV

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of bereavement.
Love and blessings,
Rev. Renee Vaughan*



Rev. Renee Vaughan - September 12, 2020 at 12:26 PM


Qwanda
Fisher-
Jones

“ *To The Buie Family
On behalf of the HHS Class of 1982, we send our deepest sympathies at the loss of David, our classmate. We share in your sadness. May God comfort and keep you now and always. ~
HHS82*

Qwanda Fisher-Jones - September 12, 2020 at 12:19 PM

AH

“ *Our prayers goes out to Tray, and the entire Buie. We just want to say that David was a true gentleman. We will never forget his big smile, and the respect, he gave no matter who you were. DAVE, as we would always call him; we will most certainly miss you; however, we know that your are resting in a better place.*

*Love,
Uncle Audie, Aunt Tiny, and family*

Audie Hudnell - September 12, 2020 at 11:46 AM

DB

“ *Dawn Baxton lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Dawn Baxton - September 12, 2020 at 10:26 AM

MH

“ *Michael Hill lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Michael Hill - September 12, 2020 at 09:47 AM

SD

“ *Samara Dawson lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Samara Dawson - September 12, 2020 at 08:23 AM

AD

To the Buie Family.

*Our thoughts and prayers
Are with you during these
Very difficult times.*

*Your family was just like
My family. Fond memories
Of your brother and mom.*

Segrid Davenport Family

Audrey Davenport - September 13, 2020 at 11:45 AM

TB

“ *Tammy Barrett lit a candle in memory of Mr.
David W. Buie, Jr.*



Tammy Barrett - September 12, 2020 at 07:48 AM

RM

“ *Renee McAllister lit a candle in memory of Mr.
David W. Buie, Jr.*



Renee McAllister - September 12, 2020 at 01:25 AM

GW

“ Grover & Audrey Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Grover & Audrey Wilson - September 11, 2020 at 10:09 PM

PW

“ Prince Mcknight Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Prince Mcknight Wilson - September 11, 2020 at 08:26 PM

SH

“ Susan L Hester lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Susan L Hester - September 11, 2020 at 02:14 PM

JN

“ Joy Shields Norris lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Joy Shields Norris - September 11, 2020 at 11:24 AM

TW

“ *Tonja Wall lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Tonja Wall - September 11, 2020 at 09:20 AM

DC

“ *Durham County Sheriff's Office Emergency Communications Division*



Durham CO Communications - September 11, 2020 at 08:35 AM

WM

“ *Dear Tre and Family of David Whitfield Buie, Jr,*



Dave will be truly missed. I met Dave 30 years ago through my friend Stephanie.

Because she is like a sister to me, Dave is like a brother. He Always treated me with Kindness and that is what I will always remember about him. He has a caring heart and would do what he could to help others. However, the most important quality of my brother's is that he knew Christ!!! And because of that, we WILL see him again when it is our time to go to our True Home!!! Tre and Family, I continue to pray Our Heavenly Father's Strength, Comfort, and Peace In your lives. When you think of Dave, imagine him Smiling and Living In The Glory of God!!! I Love you all Much!!!

Wanda Matthews and Family

Wanda Matthews - September 11, 2020 at 07:31 AM

MS

“ *Michael A. Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Michael A. Shaw - September 11, 2020 at 05:03 AM

SP

“ *Shelia Pate lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Shelia Pate - September 10, 2020 at 09:52 PM

AH

On behalf of the Henderson family may God keep you close at this difficult time. We have known and loved David for years. He's missed already. God bless the Buie family and friends. Rest in Paradise dear friend. 🙏

April Henderson - September 11, 2020 at 04:08 AM

H1

“ *The Family of Donna Buie,
We extend our deepest condolences to you on your loss of your brother, along with our prayers of comfort and love.
The HHS Class of 1981 mourns with you.
Those we love remain with us
for love itself lives on...author unknown*

HHS Class of 1981 - September 10, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr..



September 10, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ Sending my Deepest Sympathy to Buie Family , David was great guy that will missed as a southside neighborhood friend and Highschool classmate my God Bless your Family Gem. ~RobinJackson~



RobinJackson - September 10, 2020 at 08:07 PM



“ Gary Stephens And Marva Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Gary Stephens and Marva Davis - September 10, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr..



September 10, 2020 at 06:17 PM

JA

“ Will miss you greatly. James and Shirley Abdullah

James Abdullah - September 10, 2020 at 04:57 PM

DF

“ Rest In Peace Bro. Buie!

I've known you for a long time and will miss the smile and friendship. A devoted law enforcement officer and a great friend. We will pray for your family and continue to uplift them.

Respectfully,

Maxine & David L. Fitts

D Fitts - September 10, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ On behalf of Hillside High School Class of 1972, we send our condolences to our classmates; Celeste, his sister, and Benita, his cousin. May God be with you! HHS72

Mary Joyner - September 10, 2020 at 12:42 PM

SS

“ Our hearts are deeply saddened with the loss of our cousin and nephew. He helped us when we needed him the most during his uncle's illness. We will miss his big smile and the conversations we use to have. He often volunteered and shared his wisdom and advise. We will definitely miss his good cooking.

Aunt Henrietta Buie, Benita Buie Wilson, Sheri & Louis Smith

Sheri Buie Smith - September 10, 2020 at 10:58 AM

MF

“ Please accept our heartfelt sympathy. Praying for comfort & strength, especially during these difficult times. Contact us if we can assist you with anything.

Marilyn Womble & family - September 10, 2020 at 09:34 AM

SM

“ Our prayers go out to the Buie family.. I enjoyed Dave as a friend and a patient.. you will be missed...SantaMaria (San) McKibbins and family..
Santa M. McKibbins Family Dentistry

Santa Maria McKibbins - September 10, 2020 at 09:06 AM

RH

“ Rose Mary Cole Howell lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Rose Mary Cole Howell - September 10, 2020 at 08:17 AM

RH

Offering supportive prayers for the Buie Family in the loss of your love one David.

Rose Mary Cole Howell - September 10, 2020 at 08:18 AM

NB

"Norma Stroud Bowser send condolences to the Buie Family. May God sustain and strengthen you in the hours of bereavement. We are praying for you.

Norma Bowser - September 10, 2020 at 10:54 AM

JB

“ *David was a kind and modest classmate and friend with kind words and an amazing smile.* ”



Jamette Bruton - September 09, 2020 at 04:18 PM

ST

“ *Shirlene Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.* ”



shirlene taylor - September 09, 2020 at 03:38 PM

CG

“ *David and I were in the Durham County Sheriff's Academy in January 1986 when I first met him. He was with NCCU and I was with the DCSD. I always remember that smile and what a nice kind man he was. I retired 9 years ago from DOD and I kept working in the reserves. I remembered when David retired. I said are you done and he said "no I'm going to keep working like you do". David would always stop and speak to me when he saw me working off duty at Food Lion. I will missed those conversations, but I look forward to continuing them with little David! I never saw David get mad.He was always in a good mood and and a positive person. We need more David's in this life. May our Lord and Savior comfort & bless his family.* ”

Clark Green - September 09, 2020 at 02:57 PM

LI

“ Love knows no boundaries. Even though Buie is no longer physically with us, his spirit is always around us. My deepest condolences to your family.



Lisa - September 09, 2020 at 12:51 PM

DK

“ It is truly hard to believe that my childhood friend and Cub Scott brother has transitioned; when I learned of David's passing, I actually stood silent within my home in disbelief. David, Donna, and I go back fifty years together, and his passing leaves a void that can never be replaced. He was truly one of a kind. As children, I remember his dream of becoming a law enforcement officer, and he stayed focused on that dream until he achieved that goal. Whenever our paths crossed, it was as if we had never missed a beat. We were Cub Scott's starting back to the fourth and third grade respectively at C.C. Spaulding School; our paths in school were separated when we went on to Junior High School. However, because we lived in the same community, we maintained contact. Whenever we ran into each other on the campus of North Carolina Central University, it was like old times. And then, I had the great opportunity of being one of his son's teachers back in 2001 at our former elementary school, and getting to know his then wife. With that said, David and I were connected once again. We were always supportive of each other. There are no words that can express how heavy my heart is. My thought's and prayers are with Donna, young David, and the entire family. In knowing the word of God and the Savior Jesus Christ, this is His plan. And God's plan is forever divine. I will forever miss David, and I will never forget him.

Daryl K. Kennedy

Daryl K. Kennedy - September 09, 2020 at 11:25 AM

VS

“ *VaLinda Saunders Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



VaLinda Saunders Shaw - September 09, 2020 at 10:09 AM

FW

“ *Frenchee & Sonia Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Frenchee & Sonia Wiggins - September 09, 2020 at 09:22 AM

FW

*To the family: Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Frenchee & Sonia Wiggins*

Frenchee and Sonia Wiggins - September 09, 2020 at 09:24 AM

WM

To family and friends: I pray that God will provide the strength you need to see you through this difficult time. David will truly be missed. W.T, Mayfield

william mayfield - September 11, 2020 at 09:19 AM

CR

“ *Cynthia Reade lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Cynthia Reade - September 08, 2020 at 05:18 PM

MJ

“ *Mary Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Mary Jordan - September 08, 2020 at 03:02 PM

JH

“ *James H. Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



James H. Henderson - September 08, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JH

My heart is saddened and heavy. I enjoyed the time shared with David while working at North Carolina Central University. Anytime our paths crossed while walking to teach classes or handling other duties in the University College his warm greeting and smile always made my day. My prayers are with his family, and the family has my condolences. He always had that infectious smile. He was always a bright light even in stressful situations on campus. May God grant a sense of peace and comfort to the family in this most difficult time.

James H. Henderson - September 08, 2020 at 12:10 AM

VL

“ *Vincent Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.*



Vincent Lawrence - September 07, 2020 at 10:22 PM

DB

“ To the family of David Buie sorry to hear of his passing, David was a great neighbor and watch over his community. I pray for the family, God will help you in this difficult time.

Danita Buie - September 07, 2020 at 07:58 PM

SB

“ Sandra Battle lit a candle in memory of Mr. David W. Buie, Jr.



Sandra Battle - September 07, 2020 at 05:11 PM

JR

“ David will be missed by so many, but never forgotten by anyone that knew him, especially that huge smile that he wore so well.

Jean Rice - September 07, 2020 at 03:01 PM

MK

“ Buie was a great friend and a devoted lawman. I will miss him. Condolences to the family

Marsha G Kee - September 07, 2020 at 12:08 PM

SM

Prayers for the Buie family.. from Santa (San) Maria McKibbins and family. We will miss you Dave...enjoyed you as a patient and a friend.. Family stay strong ,,,RIP SMMcKibbins

Santa Maria McKibbins - September 08, 2020 at 02:12 AM