# Acknowledgement

The family of Bobby Forte wishes to express our sincere gratitude for all acts of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. Perhaps you sent flowers, a card, whispered a prayer, monetary gifts or simply kept us in your thoughts, no act has gone unnoticed.

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Danny Hooks - Marlon Foster - Gregory William

#### WEEP NOT FOR ME

Weep not for me though I have gone
Into that gentle night
Grieve if you will, but not for long
Upon my soul's sweet flight

I am at peace, my soul's at rest
There is no need for tears
For with your love I was so blessed
For all those many years

There is no pain, I suffer not
The fear is now all gone
Put now these things out of your thoughts
In your memory, I live on

Remember not my fight for breath Remember not the strife Please do not dwell upon my death But celebrate my life

TO OFFER CONDOLENCES TO THE FORTE FAMILY,
VISIT: WWW.THECHAPELOFPEACE.COM

IN LOVING MEMORY OF SUNRISE SUNSET 04/16/2023 9/7/1966

## THE CHAPEL OF PEACE NORTH

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2022 | 2:00PM VISITATION: 1:00PM

Marlan J. Gary Funeral Home | 2500 Cleveland Ave. | Columbus, Ohio 43211

#### **OBITUARY**

Bobby A. Forte was born September 7, 1966, in Columbus, Ohio. He transitioned from this life on April 16, 2023.

He is preceded in death by his loving Mother, Ardie Forte, and Father, Walter Leon Forte.

He lived in Eastgate, went to Eastgate Elementary, Sherwood Middle School, and graduated from East High School in 1984, where he was a manager for the basketball team. He was always the life of the party. He had a one hand hook that he always made, and the team loved it but was jealous. The team appreciated him because he was one who joked and kept things lighthearted. Whatever part he played, he loved.

As a child he attended Union Grove Baptist Church, Halls Memorial Church of God and Christ, and Lilly of the Valley Church of God in Christ.

Bobby was a delivery driver for Commercial Movers Company and a general maintenance worker in the Columbus area most of his life. Bobby was known by many as "The Good Guy". He was one who was willing and available to be there for you. Special is who he was to his childhood friends, Danny Hooks and Marlon Foster. Always willing to help neighbors doing whatever he could. Bobby had a lot of friends because he cared about others and never knew a stranger. Everybody who got to know him loved him.

Bobby was a family man who loved Tammy whom he fondly called "Old Girl". His smile and laugh would light a room. He loved to cook and grill barbecue chicken, black-eyed peas, okra, and make strawberry cake. His favorite foods were spaghetti and pizza. Bobby also loved sweets. He loved dogs, especially Pitts. His favorite football team was the Dallas Cowboys. He didn't play about his girls, school and getting good grades. He always helped with homework. He was very smart about many things, especially math. Bobby loved us and we knew it. He was his own doctor and was very private about his own issues and put everyone else before his own.

He was truly a man that did believe in God and always willing to serve others (John 13:34-35).

Bobby leaves not to mourn but to cherish his memories, his brother, Pastor Leon Forte, sister; Beverly Forte, girlfriend of 23 years; Tammy Watts, daughters; Cursten Richardson, Shicole Watts and Jamya Watts, grandchildren; Elegance Amari Garner, Myka'Leiyah Keniece Carlislle, Zhariana Richardson-Harris, and Mila Jae Coward-Watts, cousin/brother; Lyndon Wallace, niece; Karris Forte, nephew; Aaron Forte and many other cousins, aunts, uncles, relatives and friends.

### **ORDER OF SERVICE**

Organ Prelude - Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

Prayer of Comfort - Elder Ron Banks

Scripture Reading - Clergy

Old Testament – Psalm 23:1-6 New Testament 1

Thessalonians

Musical Selection – Min. Tasha Attaway

Acknowledgements - Chapel of Peace Staff

Remarks - Family and Friends

Reading of Obituary – Read Silently

Musical Selection - Min. Otis Crockron

The Eulogy - Pastor Tyus Need

Committal - Pastor Leon Forte

Closing Prayer - Rev. Monta Williams

Recessional – Clergy, Family and Friends

Repast - Directly Following Service International Christian Center 6600 Bush Blvd Columbus, Ohio 43229