



Nelson Jean

August 30, 1983 - February 19, 2023

Nelson Jean was born on Tuesday, August 30, 1983, in Miami, FL to Haitian immigrants, Arnold and Monise Jean. During the first few years of his life, Nelson grew up in very modest means with his parents in a single-room efficiency located in Little Haiti. His parents worked extremely hard doing odd jobs to build a life for him and themselves, and eventually, their efforts paid off. In [enter year], Arnold and Monise purchased a duplex on the well-known 58th ST and the family of three moved into one side while renting out the other.

Throughout his childhood, Nelson was loved and cared for. It was not uncommon to find the young boy sharply dressed in three-piece suits alongside his parents as they regularly attended meetings at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses on 54th ST. Nelson was often the subject of his father's extensive hobby involving photography and videography. Many photos and VHS tapes depict the family enjoying assemblies at Griffin Road, basking in the sun at the beach near Key Biscayne, or simply random moments around the house.

Nelson was very intelligent, showing great potential at a very young age. He was fluent in both English and Haitian Creole. During weekly meetings at the Kingdom Hall, he would regularly stand in front of the congregation and read portions of the Bible in French with fluidity. The ease at which he accomplished just about anything he put his mind to garnered the attention

and respect of both his peers and adults alike.

At one point, Nelson expressed to his parents that he would love to have siblings, and his desires were realized in the form of a sister, Amionne, who was born in 1992, and shortly thereafter, a brother, Arnold, Jr., in 1993. He also had an older sister figure in the form of his cousin, Asline Joseph, whom he admired and looked up to. Nelson was very playful and mischievous, often making funny faces or pulling pranks on his younger siblings, even when his antics got him into far more trouble than he would have liked. At the same time, he was attentive and encouraging, often taking his siblings to and from the nearby library, teaching them the ins and outs of technology using their shared home computer, or playing Mario Kart on their Nintendo 64.

Nelson would go on to graduate from Miami Edison Senior High School. Throughout his late teens and adulthood, Nelson possessed strong business acumen that eventually allowed him to achieve success in different areas such as owning his own freight truck company and stock trading, despite many challenges and setbacks. In spite of that, he remained jovial, friendly, and good-natured. In fact, Nelson had a reputation for going out of his way to greet old friends or acquaintances he would notice while out and about, all with a smile and a heartfelt laugh. His greatest accomplishment, however, came in the form of a son, Jeremiah King Jean, in 2009. Nelson sought to express love for his family, whether it was as simple as sharing a snack or helping his parents obtain assistance for their business during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Nelson is survived by his parents, Arnold and Monise Jean, his sister, Amionne Jean, his brother, Arnold Jean, Jr., his son, Jeremiah King Jean, his grandmother, Alina Etienne, and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 11. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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March 10, 2023 at 01:22 PM



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March 08, 2023 at 06:34 PM