









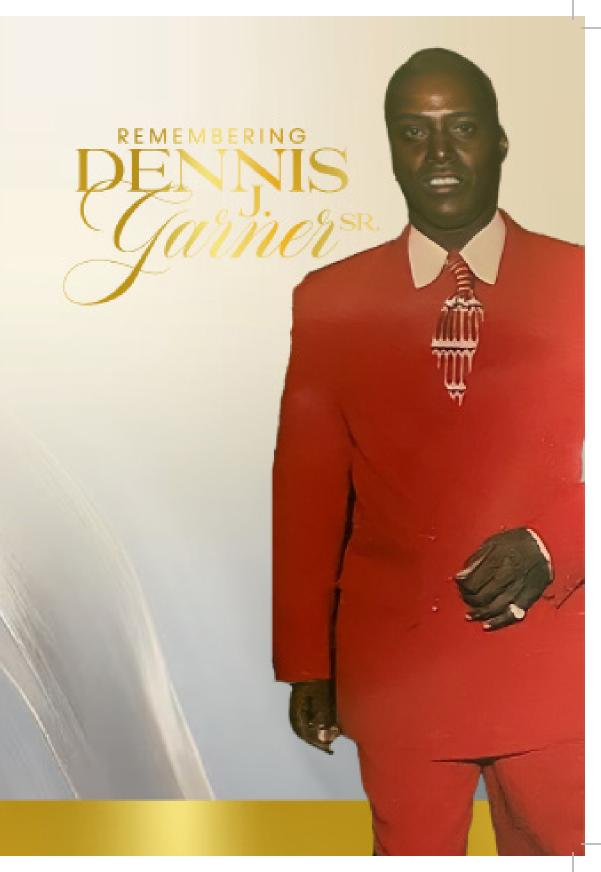






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## HIS STORY

My name is Dennis Jerome Garner, Sr., some of you know me as "Skate" or "Wolf". I was given the gift of life on July 11, 1955, and now I must give it back. This is so hard. I was a dashing baby boy born to the late David and Lurine Garner in Jackson, Mississippi.

Seeking a better way of life, my family relocated to Chicago when I was 1 year old. Three years later, I welcomed my best friend, my brother Eltorie. He preceded me in death. I took pride in being a big brother. I loved my baby sister Lavette and showered her with gifts on Christmas and birthdays. Just as I showered her with love as a young child, she in turn showed me that same love. She moved me back to Flossmoor, Illinois and cared for me in my last days.

I grew up on the southside of Chicago in the Woodlawn and Auburn Gresham neighborhoods. I started working at the young age of 8, cutting grass. I worked for Napa Auto Parts until the business relocated out of Illinois. Later, I became a roofer and then a brick layer.

I confessed my hope in Christ as a child at the New Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend James Mason. I later reaffirmed my belief in him and joined Jackson Revival Center under the leadership of Pastor Jennifer Biard in 2022. One of my favorite songs was Grace and Mercy.

I graduated from William H. Ryder Elementary School in 1969 and Chicago Vocational High School (CVS) in 1973. I looked forward to attending the annual Ryder and CVS reunions every summer. I loved to dance, so much so, that I became know as "Skate" because I was smooth on my feet. Oh yeah! If you know anything about me, it was that I had a sense of fashion! I was "Tailor-made," sporting some of the fanciest suits from Progressive Tailors.

I met and married my love Bobbie Moore on July 8, 1978. We had two sons: Dennis Jr. and Darian. Dennis preceded me in death. After my marriage to Bobbie ended, I moved back to Jackson, Mississippi, until my health began to fail.

My cancer was incompatible with my life, and I was not prepared or ready to go so soon. On January 26, 2024, I peacefully moved from this earthly home and began my journey to Heaven where my ancestors welcomed me. I leave to cherish my memories: my sister Lavette (Kevin) Fargo; son, Darian; 4 grandchildren: Jayda, DeAnthony, Dante and Kori; nephew, Kalel; 3 nieces: Porshé, Kiera and Kennedy; 4 aunts: Tessie, Claudia, Lula (Dan) and Ada; the family of the late Percy and Argentina Powell, and host of cousins. If you didn't know, I was the favorite first cousin. I enjoyed my life, family members and many friends.

Until we meet again, Love ya! Wolf

## ORDER OF SERVICE Monday, February 5, 2024

Monday, February 5, 2024
Visitation: 10:00 A.M. Funeral: 11:00 A.M.

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Minister, Timothy Powell, Officiating

Scripture 2 Timothy 4:6-8 Henry Brown

**Prayer** Deacon Larry Powell, Sr.

**Selection**Juliette Turner

**Reflections** (2 Minutes Please)

**Acknowledgements**Dr. Porshé Garner

**Life Reflections**Read Silently

**Eulogy** Minister Timothy Powell

Recessional

**Pallbearers** 

Kevin Fargo, Larry Powell, Earl Terrell, Markeeth Taylor, Jerry Powell, Morrice Taylor, Lewis Garner

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery 3401 W. 87th Street Evergreen Park, IL 60805