



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
DERRICO LAMAR DEWITT MOORE

“Rico”

September 16, 2000 ~ April 7, 2022

**Saturday, April 30, 2022**

10:00 AM Family Hour 11:00 AM Funeral Service

**Second Ebenezer Church**

14601 Dequindre St. • Detroit, Michigan 48212

*Bishop Edgar Vann*





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*Derrico Lamar Dewitt Moore*, affectionately known as “Rico,” was born September 16, 2000, to LaChann Little and Dewitt Moore in Southfield, Michigan.

Rico developed a love and talent for music long before he was even of school age. His father who was a music producer/engineer heavily influenced him. He was beat boxing before he could even fully pronounce words. He could be caught walking through the house with his boom box on his shoulder and the music turned all the way up.

Rico was educated in the Oak Park Public School system where his love for his instrument started at the early age of 12. He excelled at playing his trumpet so much so that he was one of the only middle school students placed into the Oak Park High School band. He continued playing with the Oak Park High School band as well as the Motor City Fire band traveling the country to participate in various marching band classics. Rico continued this rigorous routine until he received his high school diploma in June 2018. His constant practice and hard work earned him several college scholarships but he chose to attend Texas Southern University where he played the trumpet with the TSU Ocean of Soul band. He became a member of the Gamma Omega chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity in the spring 2022. To represent his line number and celebrate his entering his fraternity, Rico proudly created the phrase, “The 3 finally free, now he can live in peace.” Rico earned his Bachelors of Arts degree in Radio, Television and Film and was set to graduate in the fall 2022.

Rico’s musical talent gave him various opportunities including a solo feature during the 2021 Detroit Lions Thanksgiving game half time show as well as playing at the 2022 NCAA Men’s National Basketball Tournament. He also participated in various performances including Mardi Gras, Circle City Classic and the Houston Rockets. His creativity did not stop with his many band accomplishments. He developed Ricnotes Production LLC, where he produced music and released his first single titled “Freestyle” in November 2020. Rico enjoyed spending time in the studio and making music with his family.

Rico’s smooth and laid-back personality charmed everyone that knew him. No matter how suave he was you saw his personality emit anytime he grasped his instrument. The young man that he had become was nothing but a joy to observe, and the radiant star that he had become will be truly missed.

Rico made his transition on April 7, 2022. His great-grandfathers, William Ward and Dewitt Bailey and great-grandmothers, Loretta Little-Ward and Mary Moore, preceded him in death.

Derrico leaves to cherish his loving memory: his mother, LaChann; father, Dewitt; grandparents, Tondalaya, Frank (Lola), Anita, and Dewitt II (Michelle); great grandmothers, Gertha and Vivian; great-grandfather, James; uncles, Kevin and Devon; aunts, Taylor and Crenesha; a host of family, loved ones and friends.



# Order of Service

Organ Prelude.....

Processional.....

Scripture.....Minister

Prayer.....Devon Bailey

Song.....

Tribute from Gamma Omega Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi

Musical Tribute from Oak Park High School Band, Texas Southern Ocean Of Soul, and Tennessee State Band

Arranged By: Xavier Gillon and Darell Campbell

Conducted By: Dr. Virgil Goodwine, Larry Jenkins, Brian Simmons and Darell Campbell

Acknowledgment of Cards, Condolences

and Obituary.....Ashley Moore

Remarks.....2 minutes please.....Friends and Family

Prayer.....Darell Campbell

Eulogy.....

Recessional.....

Organ Postlude.....

*"And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away."*

*Revelation 21:4*



















# Words From The Heart

*Son,*

*Writing this is the most difficult thing I've ever done in my life. I'm hurt beyond words can describe. You were the center piece of my life, my drive, my motivation, my legacy. You gave me purpose and I'm thankful for that. I thank God for every moment we shared. Right now I know you're at peace and in time I have to find peace in that. It's gonna be a life long journey for me. You will continue to be my motivation and I will make sure to keep making you proud as you made me proud your whole life! Your legacy will now live on through me! You will always be in my heart and I will miss you so much.*

*Love you man! Always and Forever! Long Live Rico!*

***Your Pops***

*Rico,*

*To have you as my son is the greatest gift of all. Being your mom is like wearing a badge of honor. You mean the world to me. I will never be the same. My love for you only expanded as you grew. My heart aches as I already miss you so much. I always imagined all of the great things to come for you. You already accomplished many great things in your short time here. I know you were welcomed into the gates of paradise with open arms and an applause for a job well done. My love for you will never end, it will only continue to grow.*

*Until we meet again.....*

***Love, Mom***

*Rico I hope that you found peace in the after life and I can't imagine how it feels to have to leave earth but I'm glad to know you're somewhere better than earth. You still are an inspiration to me even after death and every time I touch the field I'll play extra hard knowing you're watching me.*

*Much love to you Rico!*

***Love, Sunni***





To my Great Grandson,  
I am so proud of you. Thank you for being an amazing young  
man and a light in our family.

I love you.

**Love, Grandma GJ**



*My One and Only Nephew*

*You made me an auntie at 9*

*We grew up together, had great times.*

*More than my nephew.*

*More like a brother.*

*You always made me proud of you like no other.*

*If I could rewind time, I would spend all of it with you.*

*I always have and will never stop loving you, my one  
and only nephew.*

**Taylor**



*Rico,*

*I often told you how much I love you and how proud I am to be the  
grandfather of such an amazing young man..I only wish that I had  
told you this every single day of your 21 years. Your time on this  
earth privileged me to bragging rights on your many  
accomplishments, and I will never stop as you live on in my heart.*

*I love you grandson, rest well.*

**Grand D**



*My 1st Great-Grand Son,*

*My heart is broken right now and I'm at a loss for words. I love you  
so much and will miss you. You will always be in my heart. This  
hurts, but I know God love you too and he knows best.*

**Love always, Great Grandma Vivian!**





*Rico,*

*I'm gone miss you my brother you was my best friend and brother, my dawg. I will never forget all the talks we had, all the memories we shared, and all the times we use to laugh. I love you boi forever and always. Save me a spot up there until we meet again.*

***Love, Baby face No lol***



*"I thank God for the life that Rico lived. What he accomplished in 21 years was enough to inspire so many people, including myself, for a lifetime. Him staying humble and motivated through so much early success is something that will also inspire me until the day I join him. Rest in peace, Rico, till we meet again."*

***Uncle D***



*My Rico..My Rock..My Star scholar and musician. You knew why I called you rock. Being that rock to help your grandma Tia. Always keeping me up to date on the latest rap music as well as the dance steps. See you when I get there G-Son.*

*Love you forever!!!*

***Live Grandma Tia***



*Nephew,*

*One of the greatest honors of my life has been having the opportunity to have an impression on you. You are the closest thing that I have ever had to my own child and I have always loved you as such. When I look at you and the amazing man that you have become, I am nothing short of proud. When I see the impact that you have been able to have on your family and friends I am even more proud. When I see your face I see, flashes of your mother, father, grandfather an myself and for that I am also proud. You are a true representation of courage and perseverance. To be courageous man...*

***Your Uncle, Kevin***



*Rico,*

*Words cannot express how much we love you and how deep the void is here without out. May you rest in God's Eternal Love and Care. Until we meet again .*

***Love Grandad and Lola***







*To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me*

*When I am gone, release me, let me go  
I have so many things to see and do  
You must not tie yourself to me with tears  
Be happy that I have had so many years  
I gave you my love, you can only guess  
How much you gave me in happiness  
I thank you for the love each have shown  
But now it is time I travelled on alone  
So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust  
It is only for a while that we must part  
So bless the memories in your heart  
I will not be far away, for life goes on  
So if you need me, call and I will come  
Though you cannot see or touch me, I will be near  
And if you listen with your heart, you will hear  
All of my love around you soft and clear  
Then, when you must come this way alone  
I will greet you with a smile and welcome you home.*

*Derrico Lamar Dewitt Moore*



## *Pallbearers*

Jaylin Little-Chambers  
KeShawn Little  
Raekwon Marshall  
Emmette Davis

Irving Bailey Jr.  
Nino Kellom  
Ronald Moore

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Kevin Little  
Devon Bailey

Raymond Bryant

## *Flower Bearers*

Friends and Family

## *Final Arrangements Entrusted To*

**James H. Cole Home For Funerals, Inc.**

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## *Interment*

**Elmwood Cemetery**

1200 Elmwood Avenue  
Detroit, Michigan 48207



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