



Douglas Anthony Hairston I

May 6, 1957 - January 3, 2024

Douglas Anthony Hairston I was born May 6, 1957, in Alexandria, LA, to the late Pete Hairston and Rosella Tatum Hairston. He spent the early years of his childhood in Martinsville, VA, and as a teen, the family settled in Washington DC.

Douglas, known to many as "Big Doug," and to his grandchildren as "G-Dougs" was laid back, fun-loving, and always good for a laugh. You could often find him under the hood of a car, listening to good music, or with a Natty Daddy watching his favorite football team, the Dallas Cowboys.

On July 30, 1977, he married the late Debra B. Florence, joining their large families. Their families were very fond of each other and loved having events together, from family cookouts to camping trips. From their union reared five children. Later, he reared two additional children.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Debra Hairston; brothers, Frederick Hairston, Ronald Hairston, and Michael Hairston; longterm friend, JoAnn Henderson; and grandson, Jalen Ennels.

Left to cherish his memories is an uncle, Elder Brooks Tatum; brothers, Wayne Hairston (Mavel), James Hairston, Kevin Hairston, Keith Hairston and Mark Moore; sisters, Anita Smith, and Sharon Smith (Ralph); children Douglas Hairston II (Nakeya), DeMarcus Hairston (Sabrena), Dawn Hairston (Quentin), Dayon Hairston, Dia Hairston, Janae Henderson and Caleb Crawford; grandchildren, Antwain Ennels, Ashley Ennels, Devon Hairston, Aniya Palmer, and Derrick Palmer; as well as a host of neices, nephews, cousin, and friends.

Tribute Wall

MT

“ I remember Doug as like to have fun and tell jokes. When I stayed with my Aunt J when I was three I had a good time with Doug. I have been around Doug since I was born now 23. I will remember the conversations with him. Also how he was always with my Aunt J. Rest in peace Doug

Michael Tucker - January 16, 2024 at 11:21 AM

CH

“ Doug was like family to me he and my aunt JoAnn was together since I was thirteen. The first time I had met Doug I was on a class trip to Washington, DC . Doug and my Aunt Jay met me at the Zoo in Washington, that was my first time seeing him. Doug liked to crack jokes and he talked to everybody . For thirty years Doug has been around I and my family. I never had any issues with Doug he was always helpful and stuck with my aunt Jay until she passed away. So rest in peace Doug you earned your rest. Sorry that I couldn't say goodbye one last time.. To Doug's family I know that it's hard especially to my cousin Janae it's going to be ok. It hurt to lose your dad after seven years of losing your mom, but now Doug has no pain he is with the lord . Janae you know that your dad loved you. So stay strong and you are never alone.

Charita Howell - January 15, 2024 at 09:52 AM

AI

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services

A Memorial Tree was planted for Douglas Anthony Hairston I - January 08, 2024 at 11:29 AM