



Damian Van Fields

November 4, 1980 - June 17, 2019

Damian Van Fields was born on November 4, 1980, in Pontiac, Michigan, to Raymond Blair Fields, Sr. and the late Darlene Annette Fields. He was called to heaven on Monday, June 17, 2019. From the beginning, Damian ensured his legacy would live on forever. He was the best swimmer in the family, an amazing drummer in the Pontiac Northern High School Marching Band, an athlete, and the only child who shook the baby crib until it fell apart. Most importantly, he accepted Christ before he was a teenager and sang in the church choir, participated in numerous church sponsored events, and served in the role as a Youth Usher at Welcome Missionary Baptist Church, Pontiac, Michigan.

Shortly after he turned 13 years old, he was diagnosed with Scleroderma. He accepted this diagnosis as a blessing and viewed it as a minor barrier in his life. Damian quickly adjusted to the new him and was committed to showing the world how to beat the odds.

After graduating from Pontiac Northern High School in 1999, Damian attended ITT Technical Institute and earned an Associates in Applied Science, Electronic Engineering Technology, in 2002. Shortly thereafter, he felt the time was right to marry his high school sweetheart, Angela Shockency, on July 18, 2003. Over the next 15 years, they were blessed with three wonderful children; Damian V. Fields II, Janiyah L. Fields, and Devin D.B. Fields. Although Scleroderma slowly hardened his hands and lungs to the point he had to have a double lung transplant on February 26, 2017, Damian continued to work harder. From 2014 through 2019, he earned a Bachelor of Science in Information Systems and Cyber Security, Network + and Security + certifications, CASP, and became Duke University first Scleroderma double lung transplant patient in over a decade.

He held numerous jobs in the private, public, Department of Defense, and National Defense sectors. Although Damian's condition prevented him from directly serving in the military, his reputation and clean record allowed him to be approved for a Top Secret Clearance. His skills and qualifications were used directly to support Special Operations Forces, Marines, and Soldiers on the ground in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Africa.

Damian enjoyed being a servant of God, spending time with his family and friends, riding his motorcycle, hosting Floyd Mayweather fights, and serving others. He has inspired hundreds of people and leaves his father, Raymond B. Fields, Sr.; wife and children, Angie Fields, Damian V. Fields II, Janiyah L. Fields, Devin D.B. Fields; sister and brothers, Katrina D. Fields, Raymond B. Fields, Jr. (Minako), Mario P. Fields (Nicole) and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, colleagues, and friends to carry on his legacy.

Cemetery Details

Wake Memorial Park Cemetery

7002 Green Hope School Rd
Cary, NC 27519
(919) 465-0888
<https://www.wakememorialpark.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Calvary Baptist Church
1311 Morehead Ave
Durham, NC 27707

Funeral Service

JUN 28. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Repast

JUN 28. 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Graveside Service

JUN 28. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Our condolences to the family of Damian Fields. He will always have a place in my heart. Our family loved him as our own. Being my oldest son best friend as he call him brother and my youngest sons god brother and his whole family has always been a part of our life. He will be missed and thought of often. We love you Damian.*

The Rickman and Gonzales Family

VANESSA RCKMAN - June 29, 2019 at 01:26 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Damian Van Fields.*



June 26, 2019 at 01:39 PM

MF

“ *Damian was a true blessing to many and will continue to be for a lot more. He will be missed, but his legacy will live forever.*



Mario P. Fields - June 26, 2019 at 01:53 AM

AA

“ *Aunt Lil and uncle Addison purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Damian Van Fields.*



Aunt Lil and uncle Addison - June 25, 2019 at 01:15 PM

LW

“ May you rest my nephew in Gods holy hand say hello to your mother for me also to Sean . one day I will see you all again Rip. Love Aunt Linda

Linda Wilson - June 25, 2019 at 12:29 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Damian Van Fields.



June 25, 2019 at 10:33 AM

AC

“ My condolences to my old Welcome MB Church family members. This caught my by surprise. Love you all. Altronyse Cunningham (Pookie)

Altronyse Cunningham - June 25, 2019 at 05:44 AM

RH

“ Raymond, Minako, Ruby & Aili Fields. From Hawaii. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Damian Van Fields.



Raymond, Minako, Ruby & Aili Fields. From Hawaii. - June 24, 2019 at 11:41 PM

RJ

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Raymond B. Fields Jr - June 24, 2019 at 09:54 PM

RJ

This video was put together in honor of your memory my brother. Love you so much and miss you. :(

Raymond B. Fields Jr - June 24, 2019 at 10:56 PM

RJ

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Raymond B. Fields Jr - June 24, 2019 at 09:43 PM

RJ

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Raymond B. Fields Jr - June 24, 2019 at 09:31 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Wake Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc. - June 23, 2019 at 09:29 PM

DI

“ He's the realist, amazing father, and the coolest. Taught me right from wrong. He gave me the key to success and all I have to do is put the work in.

Damian Fields II - June 20, 2019 at 04:35 PM