

In Loving Memory
Charles Ray Grace
"MACC GRACE"

April 3, 1973 — August 10, 2017



Saturday, August 19, 2017

Viewing: 9:00 am

Rosary: 9:30 am

Funeral Mass & Burial: 11:00 am

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church

4600 Reed Road

Houston, Texas 77051

Officiating:

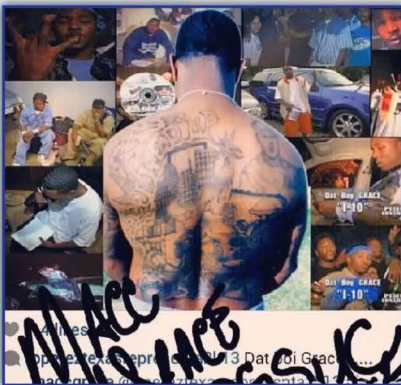
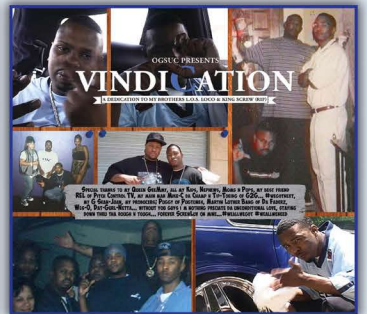
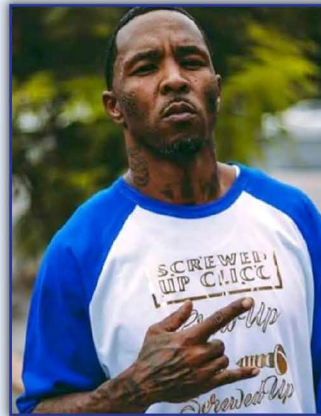
Rev. Michael K. Saah-Buckman, SSJ – Pastor

Assisting:

Rev. Mr. Michael V. Jenkins – Deacon



Macc Grace



Tributes

CHARLES, Jr. and Christian's tribute

I want to thank you for everything that you have ever done for me. I am truly grateful and blessed to call you my father. I wish I could've had one more chance to tell you this face to face, but I will make you proud cause I know you are watching over me now. I will never forget you and you will all ways be in my thoughts. Wasn't able to tell you this before you left us I love you dad!

-Tre



Dear Pops,

You went away 7 days before my birthday but it is all good... We was just planning to see each other and to get a tattoo. You always said how to stay strong and be a man at all times, so now that you are not here I will hold that to mind through out my life. You always said I have a special talent for basketball for me to just stay focus and work hard! My promise to you is that I will do that & that I WILL make it out just for you... Love you and continue to watch over me while I go chase my dream

Sincerely, Chris Grace

From my heart to yours....

There is no proper way to start a letter in this situation, nothing "right" to say... I've been up for hours writing but still haven't completed the first sentence... the crazy thing is we text and wrote each other all the time, I must have a million of them in my phone... I'll never erase them... I'm sure everyone is wondering what will "she" say and the whispers are plenty... but I can talk to you at anytime like I'm doing now and that's all that really matters.

I'm so hurt that I don't know what to say or do or how to react, I'm just glad I got to spend those precious moments with you. It haunts me but at the same time it soothes me too. You got to tell me you love me and I got to say I love you too ... just like we always do. ❤️

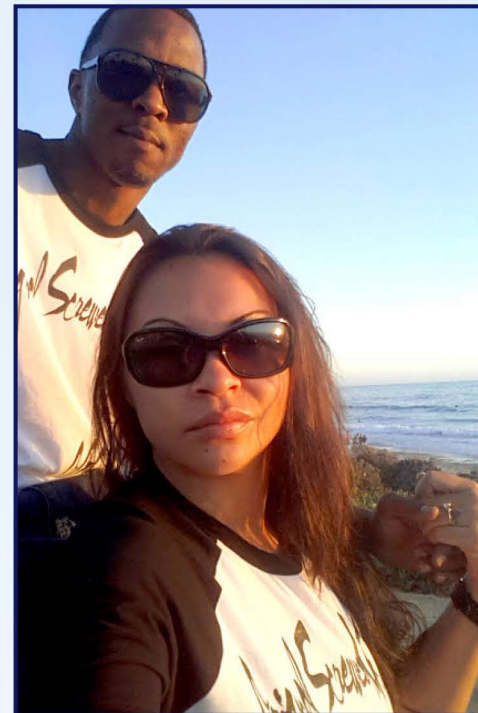


You would be amazed how many people loved you, cause you never really knew .. I'm so sad it took this much to prove to you that it was really true.

I need you to help me push through this and don't let it be in vain. I need you now more than ever and you have never let me down.

They call it resilience, I call it traumatic growth.

I'll love you forever.
Your Co-Captain



Tributes



From Lucci

"R.I.P u raised me good and I couldn't even believe it when u left. But you in a better place now and I tried to make u as happy as I could.. I love yo🥰 even though you were my step dad I loved you like my real dad. Hopefully I see you again."



From los' ...

Dear Grace,

What up cuHz, this has to be the most difficult thing I have ever had to do in my life. Every time it come to getting something done for your going away party, reality starts to kick in and I get mad and sad and don't know what to do with my self. I just try my best to chill and stay calm but this is really getting the best of me. I never thought there would be a last conversation for us; I always thought you would be here with me. I would always be able to call you to get some advice and some motivation. Every since day one I have always looked up to you. The reason I did anything was because you was doing it or already did it. You're my idol. I told you that while you were here and I meant that. When it comes to brothers they don't make them like us. Our GBC shield tats and you having my portrait on your back and me having yours on my right arm was an honor and something I really love. We had a tight bond and no matter what we always had each other back right or wrong, ALWAYS. I still can't believe this is real. But man, I know your frowning and smiling looking down saying it took me to die to get all this love. All you ever wanted was to be recognized and respected as one of the greatest to ever do it. Its crazy big bro its not just Houston or Texas it's the world! You left your mark on the game not with just your skills but with your big heart, always staying humble and showing love to any and everybody. I promise I'm going to hold you down and keep you alive and I promise I got your boys. Well you know me "lol" once I start talking or texting I don't shut up or stop. But I'm going to stop this letter right here and tell you I love u big bro! I'm stopping this letter but never my love.

Your little big brother, LOS aka loco bush

P.S.

**Like you always say we all we got, we all we need.
Huhmayne!**



Our Son Chuck

The forecast for your future is bright
God has turned your darkness into light
Omitting all your present Pain
God will make a rainbow with this Rain
As you look into future years
Many Joys will replace your fears
As free as a bird in the sky
Toward your Goals you will soar and you will fly
The Restless tides of time diminished
You will win before you are finished
With Gods help you will find ,ways to communicate
And forecast with your mind
Correcting Mistakes you have come to know
is a sure way to watch your future glow
Happily I say good bye
to the final tear drop i cry
By bidding ado to all your sorrow
Your vision is clear and you can see tomorrow
This is Not the End
Just a New Beginning

Love Mom and Dad

Precious Memories



Macc Grace's Story



April 3, 1973, in Hollywood, California, Charles and Charlotte Grace were blessed with the birth of their own shining star, Charles Ray Jr.

God has always been at the forefront of his life. Charles Jr. was christened at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Wichita Falls, Texas. He received his First Communion and Confirmation at St. Benedict Catholic Church in Houston, Texas. In 1977, the Grace family relocated to the Houston area. Charles, affectionately nicknamed Chuck, succeeded at sports, namely baseball. He graduated from Willowridge High School in 1991 and also obtained an Associate Degree in Business from Schreiner College. He married his college sweetheart, Yolanda Michelle and to their union produced two beautiful sons who were the apples of their father's eye, Charles Ray, III and Christian Shakur. Tori Danyale Jackson was always that bright gleam in Macc's eye and a constant beat in his heart.

He was a family man who spent his time showering those around him with love. Chuck and Charles Sr.'s bond was unbreakable. His father always supported him in all ventures and dreams. He served as Charlotte's backbone. She describes him as a confidant and easy to depend on. Their love was evident and ever-showing. It's how they both made it through some of life's hardest times. His younger brother, Carlos (Los), always followed in his big brother's shadow. Every time you saw one of the Grace boys, the other was not too far behind. From baseball to music to matching tattoos, the brothers were inseparable. His fiancée, Jacqueline Smith and her sons Lucci and Dion were some of the reasons behind his strength and smiles. Jacqueline and Grace (as she called him) had unconditional love for one another and overcame many mountains together. Their love is eternal.

Grace's pure heart was apparent in his music, which he used to be a voice for those who couldn't be heard. To the rest of the world he was Grace, Dat Boy Grace, Macc Grace, Rapper/Friend. He first came on to the music scene as Dat Boy Grace. After some tough times and struggles, he decided he was no longer a "boy" and became "Macc Grace." Macc Grace played an integral part in the Houston rap family called Screwed Up Click. Screw music is a type of rap, native to Houston, created by founder, the late Robert E Davis, also known as DJ Screw. Macc Grace was inspired by Tupac Shakur's lyrics, music, poetry, and life, so much that he named his youngest son Christian Shakur to pay homage. One of his most popular songs "Crumbs to Bricks", was about turning his life around. Grace rapped about giving up the street life to pursue a career in music. Known as a great man..., an encourager..., and an inspiration, the rap game will miss him.

Macc is preceded in death by his grandparents: Raymond Fulton Jones, Bishop and Marie Grace, his **aunts and uncles:** Edrena Guillory, Ramona Peters, Lynsey Weston, Larry Grace and **first cousin:** CJ Johnson.

Precious moments will linger for those who are left behind: **his fiancé:** Jacqueline Smith and her sons Dion and Lucci, Yolanda Michelle, mother to **his sons:** Charles Ray III and Christian Shakur, **his loving and supportive parents:** Charles Sr. and Charlotte Grace, **brother and best friend:** Carlos Antonio Grace (Alexis Michelle), **kinsmen:** Screwed Up Click and Grace Boys Commission, **nieces and nephews:** Carlos Antonio Grace II, Cauzzi Avant Grace, Neco Raheem Isaac, Carmelo Anthony Grace, **grandparents:** Georgia Marie Jones, **aunts and uncles:** Alvin and Juanita Brown, Lemond and James Freeman, Vincent Guillory, Betty Jones, Steve and, Cedric and Stephanie Grace, Elvis Grace, Roy and Jackie Grace, Pat Dulan, Ruth Davis, Betty and Charles Lewis, Shirley and Joe Johnson, Rita Faye Blakely, Marjorie and, Chirrise and Harold Owens, and, **first cousins:** Rhonda Ramsour, Adrien Simon, Vanessa Guillory, Vincent L Guillory, Catrina Jones, Courtney Kellogg, Quincy Jones, Stephanie Jones, Monica Christiansen, Elvis Grace, Dedrick Johnson, Sergio Johnson, Treva Johnson, Stephanie Johnson, Nicholas Blakely, Farrah Blakely, Brett Grace, Kayla Grace, Akeba Grace, Brianna Grace, Brice Owens, Michelle Dulan, Rory Weston, Larry Grace Jr., Charles Edward Grace, Renee Grace, Nichole Grace, Dewayne Grace, REL - a friend for over years and his barber, George "Foe" Hempill, and a host of family, good friends, and supportive fans.

Macc had love for all of those around him. Instead of sadness, today we can smile because of his life. Lift up your head, and imagine him signing off with his signature "Huhmayne" one last time, knowing he is now in a place of peace.



Order of Service

Prelude

Processional Hymn

"Amazing Grace" song by Adrien Simon, 1st cousin

Greeting/Sprinkling with Holy Water

Opening Prayer

LITURGY FOR THE WORD

Old Testament - Wisdom 3:1-6,9 Stephanie Gravce, aunt

Responsorial Psalm

New Testament – Romans 6:3-9 Jahda Dorsey, 2nd cousin

Alleluia

Gospel

Homily

General Intercessions (prayers of the faithful)

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Hymn

Preparation of the Gifts Charles Grace, III, son
Christian Grace, son

Prayer Over the Gifts

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymn

Meditation Hymn

"Eye On the Sparrow" by Courtney Kellogg

Prayer After Communion

FINAL COMMENDATION

Incensing

Song of Farewell (Saints of God)

Prayer of Commendation

Recessional Hymn

"Precious Lord"

Burial Service

Gift to Family

Prayer/The Committal

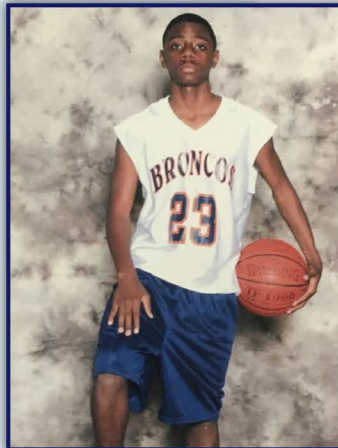
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The Benediction

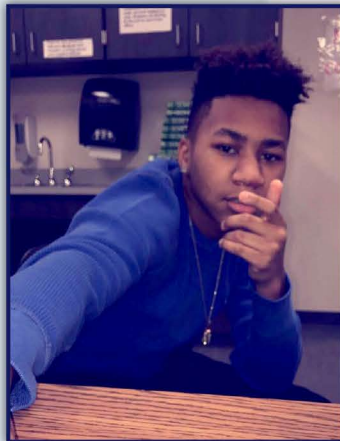
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GRACE BOYS



SCREWED UP RECORDS & TAPES



GRAY TAPE SOLDIER

Handwritten signature in blue ink: "All Gibe" and "SUC".



Active Pallbearers

Christopher "OG" Barrett
Markel Bryant
Danny "Tip Toe" Campbell

Dennis Chance
Larry "Black One" Greer
Dedrick Johnson

Tyree Kellogg
Daniel "D-Frost" Vallego
Roy "Big Boy"

Honorary Pallbearers

Charles Grace Sr., *father*
Vincent Guillory Sr., *uncle*

Robert Earl Davis, *kinsman*
Raymond Fulton Jones, *grandfather*

Bishop Grace, *grandfather*

Family Acknowledgement

God has touched our hearts through each of you and for this, we are thankful. To those who sent a card and visited, to those who called and prayed for us and with us, to those who sat quietly and just remembered us, we are sincerely grateful for your acts of caring and the expressions of love extended to us. Your kindness and your prayers are humbly received. Please continue to pray for us and may God continue to bless each of you.

~The Family of Charles Ray Grace, Jr. "Macc Grace" ~

Special Acknowledgement to:

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Final Arrangements Entrusted to:

Loving Memories Mortuary
Houston, Texas

Interment

South Park Cemetery
Pearland, Texas

The repast will be held in the fellowship hall of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, 4600 Reed Road, Houston, Texas 77051 immediately following the interment.