Dr. Joel B. Burrell

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My fight is to be an inspired example of a caring, healthy, intelligent and hardworking brother who understands this war and works daily for the development of our brothers into multi-talented, family-based, conscientious Black men who will not settle for anything less than self-determination and beauty for all people.

Haki R. Madhubuti

I am reminded of Joel whenever I read this passage. It encompass the lessons he passed on to me over the years. He always wanted the best for me and would provide me with advice whether I wanted it or not. I did listen to everything he said to me and would always take it into consideration. Basically, I would always follow my heart, just as he did. I guess that's one of the lessons I learned from him; always follow your heart.

I will miss my uncle's advice and influence.

Douglass T. Gilmore

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The Family would like to express their gratitude for the expressions of love and sympathy.

We especially would like to extend thanks to:

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May God bless and keep you
Joel Brion Burrell was born November 27, 1959 in Orange, New Jersey to Robert and Barbara Burrell. He departed his earthly home on June 1, 2003 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Joel, the younger of two boys, proved himself an accomplished musician and scholar. Upon completion of East Orange High School he attended Rutgers University and upon graduating, pursued his medical studies at Temple University. His career path ultimately led him to a residency in neurology at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City and a Fellowship at the Cleveland Clinic where he excelled in his field. Dr. Burrell practiced neurology in Sandusky, Tiffin, Fremont, Bellevue, Norwalk and Elyria, Ohio. He later pursued his interest in computers and attended Devry University in Columbus, Ohio.

Dr. Burrell attended Antioch Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio. He was a member of the National Medical Association, Urban League, Black Data Processors, Black Professionals Association and a lifetime member of the NAACP. Dr. Burrell was a great friend and contributor to the African-American College Club of Fremont, Ohio.

Dr. Burrell was an avid reader and loved to travel. Family and friends will remember him as a man who was Thoughtful, kind and generous with an indomitable spirit. A man who consciously chose to live his life on his own terms.

He is preceded in his passing by his parents Robert and Barbara Burrell and older brother Jamie Brian Burrell. He leaves to remember him fondly, Nephew Douglass Gilmore; Aunts, Doris Brown and Natalie Jetter; Uncle, Kenneth Miller; Cousins, William, Annette, Daria, Michelle, Sharon, Carla, and their spouses; special friends Eadie Scott and the Alvin D. Jackson Family, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Humbly Submitted,
THE FAMILY

ORDER OF SERVICE

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