



Lynwood Branham Jr.

March 15, 1965 - March 3, 2019

Lynwood Hill Branham Jr. was born March 15th, 1965 to Linwood Branham and Lazelle Knight in New Haven, CT. He leaves behind his devoted wife Tanya Branham and his four children: Jenel Burke, Daniel (Davina) Burke, Troi Branham and Lynnae Branham and one grandson Jedan Burke-Inniss. He also leaves behind his parents, Lazelle Mullings, Linwood Branham and stepfather Donald Mullings, three brothers Count, Jahim, and Khalil Branham, three sisters Ayesha Branham, Kera (Charles) Boone and Erica Mullings. His family includes a host of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews and a host of relatives and friends to cherish his memories.

Lynwood was educated in the New Haven Public School System where he excelled at academics as well as sports while attending his beloved, James Hillhouse High School. He went on to attend and graduate from Trinity College of Hartford, CT. Lynwood worked at several insurance companies (The Hartford, Nationwide, State Farm, and Progressive) as a Senior Claims Adjuster for many years. Six years ago, he switched careers to begin a new career at InRoads, Inc. where he mentored young adults, and helped them secure paid summer internships as a Senior Regional Manager. Lynwood truly enjoyed what he was doing because it involved working with young people.

Lynwood coached and mentored children from 8 years old to high school in most sports (more specifically Baseball, Basketball, and Football; three sports

that he loved). He wasn't just a Coach on the field, he was the father figure that many didn't have and was loved by so many players, as well as their families. He coached many years with the Pop Smith Little League (Baseball), Pop Warner Football, at Betsy Ross Middle School (Basketball and Football), Sheridan Middle School (Basketball and Football), The New Haven Grays (Baseball) The New Haven Heat (AAU Basketball), Farnam Neighborhood House (Basketball), Wilbur Cross (Baseball), Hillhouse (Football and Baseball), Hyde Leadership (Baseball), and was also an IAABO certified referee (Basketball). In addition, he was also a member of the Oriental Lodge, No. 6. Over the years, he received numerous awards, honors, and recognition from numerous organizations, for his dedication to the youth and to the city of New Haven.

Lynwood had a laugh that when you heard it, you began to laugh as well. Lynwood was a cherished husband, son, father, grandfather, uncle, nephew, cousin, leader, and mentor to so many people, and he will be tremendously missed by his many friends that he touched, and his family.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Calling Hours

MAR 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Temple Church
285 Dixwell Avenue
New Haven, CT

Service

MAR 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Temple Church of God
285 Dixwell Ave
New Haven, CT 06511
(203) 776-8179

Tribute Wall



“ *Lynwood Branham Jr.*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *I attended Trinity College with Lynwood. He was a thoughtful and caring friend. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Eloise Paterson - August 08, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ *Lazelle, I am so sorry for your loss. Sending love and prayers to the family that the God of all Comfort will be your strength during this difficult time. I hold you in my heart.*

Krista Teel-Yates - March 15, 2019 at 09:13 AM



“ *Me and my family were saddened by the news of coach Lynwoods passing he was my son's coach when he played for the New Haven Steelers and he was an excellent mentor and person my prayers are with the family especially his wife Tanya*

Kimberly smalls - March 13, 2019 at 06:46 PM



“ *Sorry For Your Loss You and Your Family Have My Deepest Sympathy and Prayers R.I.Paradise Lywood.*



Cynthia McCoy - March 13, 2019 at 07:00 AM

KI

“ *Condolences and May God be with the entire family.*

Kim - March 12, 2019 at 09:02 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lynwood Branham Jr..*



March 11, 2019 at 02:39 PM

TD

“ *To the Branham family,
You have my deepest condolences
my heart was saddened when I heard of Lynwood's passing
We coached together some years ago
a great guy who will truly be missed
hold tight to the memories of Wood to get you through your tough
times
You are continuously in my thoughts and prayers*

Towanna S Duncan - March 11, 2019 at 09:42 AM


Camille
Boyd

“ *Sending a message of love and prayers for peace to Tanya and the entire Branham family!
Reverend Teddy and Minister Camille Boyd*

Camille Boyd - March 09, 2019 at 07:46 PM

PH

“ Lazelle, my sincere condolences in the passing of your son. Praying for you and your son's family

Patricia Hurse - March 09, 2019 at 06:29 PM

TM

“ This is a tough pill to swallow. Coach Lynwood showed commitment to many New Haven boys exemplifies Legacy. Legacy that will forever be fixated in the heart of many as a New Haven Steelers football mom. Your wife was there and was a great example of a supportive family as the team mom. I would like to thank both of you. Thank you... Blessed one you will be missed. My condolences to Tanya & Branham family. Zion's mom

Tracy- Zion's mom - March 09, 2019 at 02:07 PM

KB

“ Tanya & Family my heart and prayers are with you during this time. Although your loved life seems to have been short it was not so. Lynwood lived a huge life look at each child or person whose heart he touched. I pray you hold on to God and if you believe in him you will see your loved one day again. God Bless Each of You



Karyn Bolton - March 09, 2019 at 08:54 AM

LR

“ Sincere condolences are extended to the BRANHAM family. May God give you peace and comfort during this bereavement period. Fondly,
Lillian Reason



Lillian Reason - March 09, 2019 at 01:37 AM

WT

“ Prayers of love, strength, and peace -- Wendy and Ken Cook



Wendy Tyson-Wood - March 08, 2019 at 10:59 PM

CB

“ I along with others had the pleasure of being Lynwood's little league youth football coach when he was about 10 yrs. old with the Newhallville Kings. Was so proud of this man and many who remembered to give back to youth is a great thing. Last saw him a few years ago here in Florida (where I live) at Disney coaching New Haven Steelers. Well Done sir! GOD is pleased
Coach Calvin Brown
Summerfield Florida

Calvin Brown - March 08, 2019 at 10:09 PM

WH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. I'll always remember Lynwood for his dedication and loving heart.
Wanda Howard and Wiley Farmer Jr



Wanda Howard - March 08, 2019 at 10:01 PM

RA

“ Sending my condolences to the Branham family. May the lord comfort you all through sorrow. Lynwood was a very positive upbeat and friendly young man with a smile that would bring a smile on your family even if you felt down. A great coach friend and classmate Hillhouse class of 83. Your missed already my brother. Peace and blessings to the family and friends

Raymond marcus Allen - March 08, 2019 at 08:28 PM

TB

“ My memories go all the way back to when you coached my 19yr old when he was 6 at Pop Smith!! You will be missed!!

Tiffanie Brooks - March 08, 2019 at 07:56 PM

TD

“ Tiana Dailey sent a virtual gift in memory of Lynwood Branham Jr.



Tiana Dailey - March 08, 2019 at 06:33 PM