



Frederick "Freddie" Cole

September 12, 1937 - February 18, 2015

Obituary

Freddie Cole was born on Sept. 12, 1937 in Passaic, New Jersey to Catherine and James Robert Cole. After the death of his mother, he was raised by his stepmother, Helen Lewis and attended the Passaic Public schools system. He departed this life on February 18 2015 from respiratory failure. He was 77.

A popular student and young man, Freddie excelled in sports and loved playing baseball, football and enjoyed swimming. At age 17, Freddie, an adventurous spirit, joined the United States Air Force, and left Passaic, New Jersey to enlist and go abroad. He served for 20 years in the air force and received numerous commendations for his service.

A veteran of the Vietnam War, Freddie was assigned to a special rescue operation, and he received the Airmen Medal of Honor for his courageous rescues at Cam Rahn Bay. A skilled swimmer, the Passaic native was heralded as a "hero" by the United States Air force for helping to save lives of fallen soldiers during the Vietnam War.

After serving in the United States Air Force, Freddie, a decorated military man returned to his hometown and went into law enforcement . In 1976, he joined the Passaic Police Department, where he worked as a Passaic housing guard

and served for (19) years, retiring in 1995

Freddie enjoyed exercising, swimming and watching sports in his later years. He also loved keeping up with current events and was regarded by his colleagues, family and friends as a “great philosopher” on life, politics and culture. A dedicated father, he was devoted to his son, “Lil” Fredrick Cole

He is survived by a daughter, Adrienne Holt (The late Joseph) of Kennesaw, Ga.; a son, Fredrick Claude Cole, of Teaneck, NJ; a brother, Robert “Pete” Cole, of Port Charlotte, FL; a sister, Hattie Banks, of Pittsburg, PA; 4 grands Aqueelah (Omar), Quinea, Mariah & Jaala; 4 great grands a former wife, Alice Walker Cole; of Passaic, NJ, a devoted cousin, Adelpia “Ms. Duffy” Lucas, of Bloomfield, NJ; and special friend, Mary of Passaic, NJ, and a host of nieces nephews other relatives and friends.

Freddie was predeceased in death by his dear step mom Helen Lewis, 1 brother Henry Jordan, 1 sister Marguerite Jordan His family and friends will deeply miss his kindness, laughter, long conversations and deep love for his relatives. Freddie enriched the lives of all he knew and will be sorely missed.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Frederick "Freddie" Cole, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

Tribute Wall



“ *Frederick "Freddie" Cole*

November 27, 2022 at 05:57 PM



“ *Dear Uncle Freddie,*

You will always be "My Nunk"...and I'll never forget you.

Rest peacefully knowing we'll all be together again. Give my Mother, Uncle Henry, Uncle Franklin and all the rest of the family in Heaven a hug from all of us.

You will be missed.

*Love Eternally,
Kay - Your Niece from California*

Kay Markham - February 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rest In Paradise Uncle Freddie you was a great guy man*

Dj Webster & The Webster's

Dj Webster - February 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest condolences to the Family and especially to Freddie Jr., and his Mother India Williams.*

Melissa & Dennis Whitmire - February 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *R.I.P Uncle Freddy.I know you are safe with Ni-Ne your big sister (Margo Jordan). No more worries! Love you and miss you both!*

Paige Markham - February 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Heartfelt condolences on behalf of cousin Nate's family. Rest with the angels!*

Portia White-Gaffney - February 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM