



Mr. Cornelius Craig Rogers

February 26, 1969 - September 25, 2025

Cornelius Craig Rogers, also known as “Sporty Black,” age 56, came to a peaceful rest on September 25, 2025, at 9:57 PM at Cleveland Clinic in Port Saint Lucie, FL.

He was born in Wabasso, Florida on February 26, 1969, to the late Willie Lee Rogers and H.D. Rogers. He was also preceded in death by his beloved Aunt Mae Lucy.

Growing up, Cornelius was a phenomenal athlete with determination and a drive that set him apart. He played basketball and baseball. He attended Vero Beach High School, where he was known for his talent, intelligence, and confidence. Later in life, he became a professional in HVAC and a Lead Warehouse Specialist, always striving for excellence in everything he did. His skills in story telling was sure to land him a role in Hollywood(IYKYK).

As the baby of the family, Cornelius was loved deeply — and yes, he was spoiled. He had a charm about him that made it easy to get his way, and everyone who knew him couldn’t help but smile when he walked in the room. His skills in story telling was sure to land him a role in Hollywood (IYKYK).

He lived with purpose — working hard, loving harder, and always on the grind. His strength, heart, and hustle made an impact that will live on.

Through every challenge, he stayed solid and resilient. He found a passion in playing poker & playing pool and could beat just about anyone that stood in his path — truly a legend in everything he pursued. His hustle was more than just a way of living — it was his drive, his passion, and his way of showing love. He never stopped grinding for what mattered most.

Cornelius leaves behind his five beloved children: Cornelius Rogers Jr., Shontay Rogers, Shenard Clemons, Martavious Rogers, and Malyka Rogers, along with two precious grandchildren, Saylah Heaven Burton and Zion Chancellor Burton.

He is also survived by his loving brothers and sisters: Juanita (Lee), Jerome, Cynthia (Andre), Bernard (Dana), Benjamin, Norris (Vanessa), Regina, and Johnnie, along with other devoted relatives, who will cherish his memory forever.

His life was a reflection of real strength, real love, and real dedication. He created a legacy that will forever live on.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wabasso Church of God
8710 64th Ave
Wabasso, FL 32967

Service

OCT 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



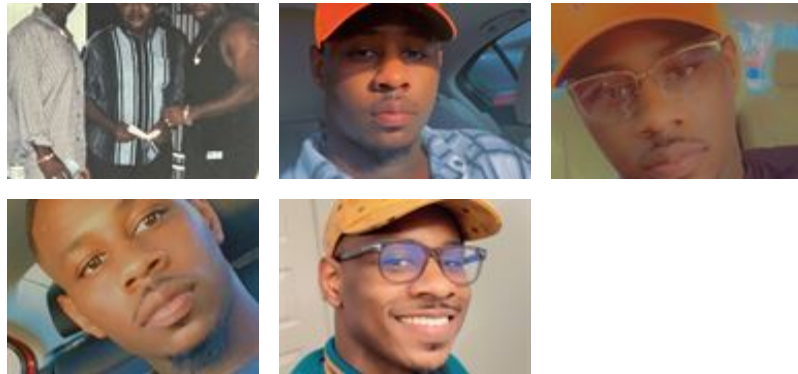
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