


OBITUARY

Remus Macheath Brice Jr. (affectionately known as Junior) was born on April 11, 1980 in the town of Plattsburgh, New York to Remus Brice Sr. and Elizabeth Brice. He was the third child, having been preceded by two older sisters. At the time of his birth, his father Remus Sr. was a member of the United States Air Force. The first 3 years of his life were spent living on the base, having fun attending air shows with his family. Having been the first born son, he was a joy to his parents and an absolute delight to his sisters. At the age of 3, Remus Sr. and Elizabeth relocated from Plattsburgh, New York to Norwalk, Connecticut. There, Remus attended preschool through the Head Start Program.

By age 5, Remus Jr. and his siblings (now a group of 4) relocated to the island of St. Lucia where they resided with their maternal grandparents and aunt. Junior loved going to the country with his grandfather, enjoying the wide sampling of fruits, which could be found on the island. Most of all he loved playing with his friends. In fact, many of the friendships he made during that time remained intact up until the date of his passing. He excelled academically earning marks to attend the island's most prestigious all-boys high school, St. Mary's College. He would attend St. Mary's for one year and then relocate to the United States.

Once back in the U.S., he again resided in Norwalk, CT where he attended Brien McMahon High School, graduating in 1998. Following graduation, Remus Jr. worked as a pharmacy technician with both CVS Pharmacy and Norwalk Hospital, initially considering a career as a pharmacist. He would later decide to pursue his true passion - law. He was accepted into the University of Cincinnati where he began his undergraduate studies. He completed his undergraduate studies at Xavier University, earning a degree in Liberal Arts and was soon accepted into Ohio Northern University to study law at the Pettit College of Law. He was particularly interested in pursuing international law and in an attempt to gain experience completed internships with organizations such as C.A.R.E. and in the summer of 2012, an externship in Tanzania, Africa. He was a member of the American Bar Association and held an office in Black Law Students Association chapter of Ohio Northern University. He was a stellar student and was due to graduate in May, 2013.



I hail from a place where death dare not enter
To some the epicenter of all things detrimental
Life the most egregious of all contrite tormentors
Throw some love in the balance; see if the weather fares better
Lava rocks engulf in mercury rapids
The heat emanates but my heart is ice cold
Begrudged is my spirit with relentless regret
Every waking hour of old I crave with each breath
Success, none but a dragon of the myths
Ad infinitum potential definitions subsist
Even then, none scathed my bucket list
I must be deranged
That which often comforts the ego, mirrors the root of my pain
As my eyes close, the windows to the world cloud up with opportunity
And as such I witness from afar
Blissful life on the horizons while my door stands ajar
I am all but shackled yet the gloom of captivity encroaches
With every crash of the surf, my bitter soul erodes
Only to be replaced by countless sins untold
Fold I must not as I negated the opt out clause
So the strain must bear irrespective of justification
May the next go around shall forego my incarnation

Your Loving Family

- Remus M. Brice Jr.

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