



## Calvin Lewis Bryant

May 11, 1960 - January 5, 2026

In Loving Memory of  
Calvin Lewis Bryant

Calvin Lewis Bryant was born on May 11, 1960, in Sanford, Florida, to the late Willie L. Bryant, Sr. and

Maggie Lean Larry. In time, his life was further shaped by the love of his devoted stepmother, the late Gloria

Schuler, who lovingly gathered together what became affectionately known as their “Brady Bunch” family.

Through this blended bond, ten siblings were woven into one household of shared stories, laughter, and

resilience. Calvin was the third eldest among them, a steady presence within a lively and loving family circle.

Calvin attended Seminole High School in Sanford, Florida. Later in life, while living in New York, he

demonstrated quiet determination and perseverance by earning his high school GED, an achievement that

reflected his resolve and strength of spirit. For many years, Calvin worked throughout Seminole and Orange

Counties in the auto auction industry and at various car dealerships, where he was known as a dedicated and

hardworking car detailer. His strong work ethic carried him faithfully until

physical limitations from a back injury brought his working years to a close.

One of Calvin's greatest joys was the game of billiards. The pool table was more than a pastime, it was a place of comfort, camaraderie, and cherished memory. He proudly competed in and won several tournaments over the years, but even more meaningful were the moments spent playing alongside his beloved big brother, Nate, affectionately known as "The Great Okinawa Slim." Calvin often reminisced about those early days at his father's pool hall on 13th Street, where the rhythm of the game and the warmth of family shaped some of his fondest memories.

Above all else, Calvin will be remembered as a loving brother, a devoted (bonus) father to Valarie Laruth, a cherished grandfather to Janaya Denise, and a loyal friend whose presence left a gentle mark on many lives. He

transitioned from this life on January 5, 2026, at the Sanford Health Care and Rehabilitation Center in Sanford,

Florida. During the final three years of his life, he was tenderly cared for and steadfastly advocated for by his

beloved sister, Carrie Bryant, whose love and dedication never wavered.

Calvin was preceded in death by his parents, Willie L. Bryant, Sr. and Maggie Lean Larry; his stepmother,

Gloria Schuler; and his sister, Veronica Bryant-Newton.

He leaves to cherish his memory five brothers: Willie Bryant, Jr. (Barbara) of Covington, Georgia; Nathaniel

Bryant (Kei) of Marietta, Georgia; George (Melazone) Rouse of Sanford, Florida; David Rouse of Sanford,

Florida; and Walter Bryant of Sanford, Florida. He also leaves three sisters: Loria Boone of Sanford, Florida;

Deborah Bryant of Sanford, Florida; and Carrie Bryant of Sanford, Florida. In addition, he is lovingly remembered by a wide circle of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends, each carrying forward a piece of his story.

Though Calvin's earthly journey has ended, his spirit lives on in shared laughter, treasured memories, and the quiet love he poured into those around him. His life remains a testament that even ordinary moments, when lived with heart, become extraordinary legacies.

The Celebration of Life Service will be held at  
Allen Chapel AME Church

1203 Olive Ave  
Sanford, FL 32771

Date: 01/24/2026

Time: 2:00 pm

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Allen Chapel AME Church  
1203 Olive Ave.  
Sanford, FL 32771

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Well I would like to share a few memories of Calvin and I from back when we would be together in his dad's pool room we called his dad house man back then we all played pool me and his brothers shorty, nate and Calvin I played all of them and their dad got pretty good with it, nate makes a living out of it in his later years just a hobby for me but we had some real fun with it we all became real friends to this day going to miss you Calvin

David W Mcknight - January 20 at 12:10 PM

CB

“ Carrie Bryant lit a candle in memory of Calvin Bryant



Carrie Bryant - January 09 at 06:40 PM

VG

“ Dad I miss the good times all the traveling to different places when you use to shoot pool it was so fun as a kid everything you did I see know had a purpose in my life and yours ... you show me unconditional love ❤️ and loved your grand daughter I'm so glad you got a chance to see her grow up into a beautiful soul that she is she will be your Lil bit and even when you were sick and you didn't know me but you always knew your grand baby and you always will have a place in my heart ❤️ and hers and everyone else that you touch and came across. Ad tears 😭 roll down my face I will for ever rep your name and tatto it on me for ever my dad I love you from Valerie and your grand daughter janaya Denise

Valerie graham - January 09 at 04:43 PM