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Mayor Galluccio

all

WHEREAS: This City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of

Ralph I Breedy on Jan. 4, 2001; and

WHEREAS: Ralph was born in Barbados to Edmond & Clara Breedy;

Whereas: At the age of 10 Ralph heard a ship to work & thus began his many years of travel; and

when

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WHEREAS: Ralph met & married Vivian Marie Hansen;

Whereas: Ralph worked at the National Biscuit Company; and

Whereas: His first love, painting, was inspired by his work with Mr. Woods;

WHEREAS: Ralph was an advocate of developing healthy eating

Whereas: habits; &
Ralph loved singing & dancing ; and

WHEREAS: Ralph's passing will leave a void in the lives of all his ~~survivor~~ survivors

family, his wife Vivian, his god sister Anita

Hines, his son Harold, his daughters Coral,

Onike, Corinne, Yarnell, Naimah, Sharmu &
Michelle, his 14 grandchildren & his 8 great grand
children

and

WHEREAS: Ralph will be sorely missed by all he ~~has~~ touched and loved; nor
therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family
of Ralph I Breedy at this time of such personal loss; and
be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitable engrossed
copy of this resolution to the Breedy family on behalf of the
entire City Council.

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Reserve Death Resolution
for Ralph Brady -

Obit to follow.

Thanks.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS



Thursday, January 04, 2001 2:20:41 PM

News

From: Cheryl Beach

Subject: UPDATE: CAROL HILL & CORINNE ERRICSON

To: News
King School
King Open School

To all that know Carol Hill, King Community School Director and her sister Corinne Erricson:
Their father, Ralph Brady, passed away yesterday morning:

Viewing will from 2-4 on Sunday, 1/7/01, at A.J. Spears on Western Avenue
Services will be from 4-5 on Sunday at A.J. Spears

Burial will be on Monday at 9:00 a.m. at Mt. Auburn
Family will meet at A.J. Spears at 8:00 a.m. that morning

Eulogy for Ralph I. Breedy

Ralph I. Breedy of Cambridge, Massachusetts was born in Barbados, August 20th, 1909 in Sherwood Village, Christ Church. He was the only son of Edmond and Clara. He was named Harold by his mother and later Ralph by his God Mother Henrietta.

As a young boy in Barbados he made his own creative toys, spent hours in the foundries learning through observation and improvised on what he learned. He became a painter when still a young boy.

Around the age of ten he boarded ship, and was put to work and thus began his many years of travels abroad to countries as close as Cuba and as far away as Russia. He returned to Barbados many times visiting his mother and his son, Harold whom he adored, before settling in the United States. It was in Cambridge, Massachusetts that he met Vivian Marie Hinkson, whom he courted for two years before they married. Their favorite songs are "And the Angels Sing" and "My Prayer."

Ralph's work at Nabisco, The National Biscuit Co., maintaining their machinery with fresh leather belting led to his leather crafting. In his free time he crafted and hand-sewed and embossed leather pieces and artworks of DeCoupage.

He later worked as a painter with the painter, Mr. Woods for ten years. This skill and love for painting blossomed into interior and exterior decoration and renovation of his home and the homes of others.

He was the Head Painter and Custodial Engineer for twenty years at The Sheraton Commander Hotel in Harvard Square. Ralph was a self-made carpenter a skill he passed on to his oldest son Harold and late son David who is being interred with him. Ralph loved his pipes and smoked a wonderful Black Cherry tobacco that permeated the house. With his "green thumb" skills he truly demonstrated his love for his plants. He was an early advocate of healthy living by using vitamins, juicing fruits and vegetables, baking natural whole grain breads and cooking delicious rice and peas.

He was a moderate eater and influenced his family and others in these healthy habits. He would prepare carrot juice, oatmeal, bakes and cocoa for his children in the morning and dinner in the evenings. He even combed the hair of his children and his children loved to comb and play in his.

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He loved to dance. His favorite musical pieces and artists were: Sing, Sing, Sing by Benny Goodman, the soundtrack from the movie "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly", Wings of Fire by Chuck Mangone and all of Santana.

He was caring and devoted husband and supreme father to his children and many others. He loved the sounds of his children's voices, and their laughter. He and his wife opened their home and hearts to over one hundred and fifty children. He will be truly missed by the Universe, the community of Cambridge, his wife Vivian and children, family and friends. He has been called a man of dignity with a quiet calm and appropriate storm. He fulfilled his life as a husband, father and friend. Ralph and Vivian were in their sixtieth year of marriage when he passed. He passed approaching his 92nd year. He leaves his beloved wife, Vivian, his god sister Anita Hines, a brother in law and sisters in law, his son, Harold and daughters Carol, Onike, Corrinne, Farrell, Naimah, Sharmu and Michelle. He also leaves 14 grandchildren, 8 great-grand children a host of nieces, nephews, in-laws extended family and dear friends.

*Arrangements by
A.J. Spears 617-876-4047*





City of Cambridge

R-88.

IN CITY COUNCIL

January 8, 2001

MAYOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR BRAUDE
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DECKER
VICE MAYOR MAHER
COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY

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- WHEREAS: Ralph will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it
- RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of Ralph I. Breedy at this time of such personal loss; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Breedy family on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council January 8, 2001.

Adopted by the affirmative vote of six members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

D. Margaret Drury

ATTEST:-

D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk

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Resolution #88

Resolution on the death of Ralph I.
Breedy.

**Mayor Galluccio and entire
membership**

In City Council January 8, 2001

ORDER ADOPTED