



NATHANIEL BERKELEY

December 24, 2020

Nathaniel Berkeley of Fort Washington, MD

Nathaniel Charles Berkeley was born June 27, 1948 in Bronx, New York to Nancy Berkeley. He departed this life on December 24, 2020 at his residence in Fort Washington, MD.

Mr. Berkeley served in the United States Navy in 1969. He retired from the NYC Metropolitan Transit Authority, Superintendent of Signals for 30 years and received numerous awards for his outstanding record of dedication and devotion to duty.

Mr. Berkeley is survived by his wife Deborah; his two sons: Nyle (wife Trista) and Christopher; his grandchildren: Tamara, Tatiana, Nyle, Jr., Aleck, Antoinette and Sydney; his brothers: David and Darryl; his sisters: Natalie and Dana; his uncle: Joe; Aunt: Barbara and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

“Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shine down upon us to let us know they are happy.” Anonymous

Tribute Wall

NB

“ 5 years without you. ☐ Still missing you Dad.

Love Nyle

Nyle Berkeley - December 24, 2025 at 04:31 PM

NB

“ Happy Father's Day Dad

Love Nyle

Nyle Berkeley - June 15, 2025 at 05:28 PM

NB

“ Still missing and thinking about you Dad.

Love Always Nyle

Nyle Berkeley - December 24, 2024 at 07:33 PM

NB

“ Happy Father's Day Daddy

*Love & Miss you,
Nyle*

Nyle Berkeley - June 16, 2024 at 09:03 AM

NB

“ It’s been 3 years today that God called you home, Dad. I know you are in a much better place, but I still miss you Partner.

Love you Dad,

Nyle

Nyle Berkeley - December 24, 2023 at 05:53 PM



“ NATHANIEL BERKELEY

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM

NB

“ Love You Dad

Nyle

Nyle C Berkeley - June 27, 2023 at 12:16 PM



“ NATHANIEL BERKELEY

January 06, 2023 at 02:42 PM

NB

“ It’s been a year Dad and we are still missing you but I know you are “keeping an eye out” for us. No worries Partner, because I know that you are good.

Love you Dad,

Nyle

Nyle Berkeley - December 24, 2021 at 08:01 AM

CB



Christopher Berkeley - July 29, 2022 at 12:57 AM

NP

“ *Best big brother in the world. Always there for you, I am so thankful that I had the opportunity to see him, Before he went to be with the Lord, He always had the best car. He always kept it clean. I loved him, and miss His presence As we were always traveling in the military. I was tickled by his dimples. He told me some of his stories being on the ship. And always telling me about how proud he was of Nile and Christopher.*

Natalie Pearson - January 18, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ *Uncle Sonny was my mother Natalie Pearson (Berkley) older brother. Growing up we were a military family that traveled often. I had severe allergies as a child and I remember Uncle Sonny teaching me not to sniff all the time, he would say, young ladies need to blow they nose and keep it clean. I'm grateful that I was able to spend some time with him over the past few years and get a chance to meet my husband and see me as an adult. Cousin Chris and Nyle, it's been many years since we've seen each other, I'll be reaching out to you. Love all my family! Prayers to you guys! Niece - LaQuinta Chambers (Pearson)*

LaQuinta Chambers - January 17, 2021 at 10:17 PM

CB

“ I don't have to say much. You all knew my father very well, and he made sure of that. Sharing his wisdom, experiences, and out look on life. He taught me the way to move through them streets. He taught me to “watch out”, “pay attention”, and “keep an eye out” and he never stopped enforcing insight ... ya know what I mean.

To this day I will forever move like my father, smooth.

I LOVE YOU PARTNER.

CHRISTOPHER BERKELEY
732-261-6473

CHRISTOPHER BERKELEY - January 12, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of NATHANIEL BERKELEY.



January 12, 2021 at 09:34 AM

NB

“Are you ok?” “Are you alright?” “Keep your head up and pay attention!” “Stand up and always be a man!”

These are a few phrases that my Dad would tell me and my Lil brother Chris as we grew. As kids growing to young men, it seemed like he never let up on us. He stayed on our backs back EVERYDAY.... but now I know why. He was only preparing us for life's challenges and wanted us to be productive. There are so many people out here that didn't have a FATHER to mold and mentor them. Chris and I did! Words can't explain all the valuable lessons our Dad taught us throughout the years. We are both extremely proud of the part he played in making us men. So I have a few answers for my Dad's phases:

We are ok! We are alright! Our heads are always up and eyes are wide open! finally.....We are two proud men standing tall because of you Dad!

I Love you Dad.....Nyle

P.S. Don't worry, I'm keeping your "Machine" clean!

Nyle Berkeley - January 11, 2021 at 01:10 PM

CC

Well said nephew's! Those words were uttered to me also. He always made sure I had money in my pocket. He was the first person to give me the book "Message to the Black Man" by the Honorable Elijah Muhammad. Hey Chris remember when we saw Sonny at the Javits Center when we went to see Minister Farrakhan speak? If he has a car in heaven trust me he will make sure it's clean...R.I.P. Sonny Berk...

Curt Chandler - January 13, 2021 at 11:24 AM

CB



Christopher Berkeley - July 29, 2022 at 01:00 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of NATHANIEL BERKELEY.



January 11, 2021 at 12:08 PM

SD

“ Uncle Sonny was my mother’s Nadine L Frierson brother. He was a great man and lived a great life. Proving that family was important and treasured. Tanya and I are forever grateful for him. He loved us when we didn’t have it. He taught us what a real stable life is about and we have not forgotten. Love and blessings to the entire Berkeley, Frierson, Rogers And Pearson families. All of our lost loved ones are reunited in heaven. Grandma Berkeley, Grammy Nancy aka gram cracker because she was so sweet, Aunt Juanita aka Sierra Boot as Grammy called her, Mommy not forgetting all the others we have lost in the past years. Life is short. God bless you Uncle Sonny and thank you for loving us. Love to his boys Nyle and Chris and the Uncle Sonny’s grandchildren. We all we got and my sis Tanya and the children send our deepest condolences. Stay blessed.

Shaunta Dias - January 11, 2021 at 03:01 AM

SD

Skeeta Boot for Aunt Juanita. Auto correct sorry.

Shaunta Dias - January 11, 2021 at 03:05 AM

DR

“ *Sonny "Nathaniel " is my big brother. I will miss him forever. All my love, rest in peace and power.*

Dana Marie Rogers

Dana Rogers - January 10, 2021 at 09:51 PM

BD

“ *My fondest memory of Mr. Nathaniel Berkeley was when I was a little boy. I am best friends with his son Nyle and they were going on vacation. Mr. Berkeley showed me four one thousand dollar bills. He told me if you work hard and smart you can make money like this!*

As I got older I found that to be a true statement because now I work for the New York City Transit. He told me I can call him Sonny. Sonny, Rest Easy Job Well Done!

From: Bernard David, New York

Bernard David - January 10, 2021 at 09:25 PM

DF

SONNY WAS MY OLDEST BROTHER BORN ON MY MOTHERS BIRTHDAY. MOMMY WAS VERY PROUD OF SONNY EVERYTIME HE VISITED OR CALLED MOMMY WOULD HAVE THIS BIG SMILE ON HER FACE.SHE USED TO CALL HIM NATHANIEL. IT WAS HER GREATEST GIFT ON HER BIRTHDAY GIVING BIRTH TO SONNY.I SEEN SONNY ONE DAY ON THE SUBWAY WEARING A SUIT WITH SOME OTHER GENTLEMAN I WAS SO PROUD TO SEE HIM.AND TO BE HIS LITTLE BROTHER MAY HE REST IN PEACE WITH THE ANCESTORS. AND MOMMY

David Frierson - January 10, 2021 at 09:35 PM

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*CHRISTOPHER BERKELEY
732-261-6473*

CHRISTOPHER BERKELEY - January 11, 2021 at 05:44 PM

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Robin Birmingham, Raleigh NC

(Sonny) Nathaniel Berkeley, my 1st cousin, N my oldest cousin showed is the Brooks family how hard work paid off...I remember his 1st car he bought when he got out the Navy. He polished that car every day (like the were his military issued 🦶 boots...ooobooy that car looked like it was spit shined....beautiful ya know..He treated everything like that 1st car...including the Brooks family. Thank for ur presence in my life Cuz...

*Luv U
Gale*

Condolences, Prayers, Peace N Blessings to

Robin Birmingham (Brooks) - January 14, 2021 at 05:21 AM

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to my Frierson family

Robin Birmingham (Brooks) - January 14, 2021 at 05:22 AM