

## HESTER, WHITTED & DAYE FUNERAL SERVICE

603 South Main Street  
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### *Mr. Mario DeShannon Graves*



*Mr. Mario DeShannon Graves, affectionately known as "Ro'D", age 49, departed his Earthly life and entered eternal rest on Thursday, May 1, 2025 at Duke University Hospital in Durham, North Carolina.*

*He was a native of Person County, North Carolina, born on October 11, 1975, to the union of the late James Edward Graves, Sr. and Bertha Perry Graves, who survives.*

*In addition to his father, Mario was preceded in death by his daughter Kelis Graves; paternal grandparents: Charlie and Vernell Graves; and maternal grandparents: Raymond and Gwendolyn Perry.*

*In addition to his mother, Mario leaves to cherish his memory his wife Shanna Miles; two sons: Denzel Edwards and Mario Graves II; two daughters: Ameris Graves and Adrianna Graves; brother James Graves, Jr.; sister Gwenetta Graves; grandson Keylin Edwards; and a host of additional relatives and friends.*

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### Public Viewing

**Tuesday, May 6, 2025**

**1:00 PM until 6:00 PM**

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### Funeral Service

**Wednesday, May 7, 2025**

**1:00 PM**

*(A Visitation will be held from 12:00 Noon  
until 1:00 PM.)*

**Faith Christian Church**

*(Pastors Ted and Becky Poole)*

1725 Semora Road

Roxboro, North Carolina 27574

*Phone: (336) 597-4820*

*Bishop Ronald L. Godbee, Eulogist*

*The River Church~Durham, North Carolina*

### Burial

**Lester Family Cemetery**

Jones Lester Road

Roxboro, North Carolina

*During this Bereavement Period,  
the Family will receive guests at  
36 Hess Perry Road in Roxboro.*