

Long ago Taylor and Ken saw the movie about the life of Johnny Cash, "Walk the Line". They both loved the movie. Months later Taylor asked Ken if Ken knew why Taylor wore black shirts a lot. Ken told Taylor he assumed he liked black shirts. Taylor said he did it for the same reason Johnny Cash did.

Man in Black by Johnny Cash

Well, you wonder why I always dress in black
Why you never see bright colors on my back
And why does my appearance seem to have a somber tone
Well, there's a reason for the things that I have on

I wear the black for the poor and the beaten down
Livin' in the hopeless, hungry side of town
I wear it for the prisoner who is long paid for his crime
But is there because he's a victim of the times

I wear the black for those who've never read
Or listened to the words that Jesus said
About the road to happiness through love and charity
Why, you'd think He's talking straight to you and me

Well, we're doin' mighty fine, I do suppose
In our streak of lightnin' cars and fancy clothes
But just so we're reminded of the ones who are held back
Up front there ought to be a Man In Black

I wear it for the sick and lonely old
For the reckless ones whose bad trip left them cold
I wear the black in mournin' for the lives that could have been
Each week we lose a hundred fine young men

And I wear it for the thousands who have died
Believin' that the Lord was on their side
I wear it for another hundred thousand who have died
Believin' that we all were on their side

Well, there's things that never will be right I know
And things need changin' everywhere you go
But 'til we start to make a move to make a few things right
You'll never see me wear a suit of white

Ah, I'd love to wear a rainbow every day
And tell the world that everything's okay
But I'll try to carry off a little darkness on my back
Till things are brighter, I'm the Man In Black

A C E L E B R A T I O N O F T H E

Life

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Taylor Gillespie Graves

June 15, 1987 – January 24, 2020



January 31, 2020

2:00 p.m.

Cecil B. Day Chapel of Perimeter Church

But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. It is only by God's grace that you have been saved! For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus. So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:4-7

A Note of Thanks

We would like to express our gratitude for all the prayers, visits, calls, texts, emails, food and the great love that has been shown and given to us during this time. Thank you for being here with us, especially today showing us your love to our family and to Taylor. He is delighted that there is so many showing love and his great desire is that it not stop and that it continues to move forward after today into each of our lives in the tomorrows yet to come. May you all be richly blessed for being so loving and may it be multiplied ten times over into each of your lives.

The Graves Family



In Lieu of Flowers

Donations may be given in honor
of Taylor Graves to
MARR Addiction Treatment Center
at
2815 Clearview Place, Atlanta, GA 30340



*There will be a reception after the service downstairs.
During the reception,
there will be a time to share a brief memory of Taylor.*

*Stories of Taylor are very uplifting and
encouraging.*

*You can also email memories of Taylor (short or long)
to Janet at jntgraves@gmail.com
or to Ken at kgraves779@aol.com*

Order of Service

Prelude

Family Processional Collin Baxter
"Be Thou My Vision"

Welcome and Prayer Rev. Bob Carter

Scripture Reading Rev. Bob Carter

Presentational Song Collin Baxter
"Blessings"
words on program insert

Remembrances Doug Brush
Family members

Presentational Song Collin Baxter
"When I Get Where I'm Going"
words on program insert

Pastoral Message Rev. Bob Carter

Prayer Rev. Bob Carter

Congregational Song
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"
words on program insert

Benediction Rev. Bob Carter

Doxology *words on program insert*

Family Recessional
"Sunrise After the Vigil"

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

“Great is Thy faithfulness,” O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

“Great is Thy faithfulness!” “Great is Thy faithfulness!”
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
“Great is Thy faithfulness,” Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above the Heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Blessings

We pray for blessings, We pray for peace
Comfort for family, protection while we sleep
We pray for healing, for prosperity
We pray for Your mighty hand to ease our suffering
All the while, You hear each spoken need
Yet love is way too much to give us lesser things

Chorus - 'Cause what if your blessings come through raindrops
What if Your healing comes through tears
What if a thousand sleepless nights are what it takes to know You're near, What if
trials of this life are Your mercies in disguise

We pray for wisdom, Your voice to hear
We cry in anger when we cannot feel You near
We doubt your goodness, we doubt your love
As if every promise from Your Word is not enough
All the while, You hear each desperate plea
And long that we'd have faith to believe

Chorus

When friends betray us
When darkness seems to win
We know that pain reminds this heart
That this is not our home, it's not our home

Chorus

What if my greatest disappointments
Or the aching of this life
Is the revealing of a greater thirst this world can't satisfy
What if trials of this life
The rain, the storms, the hardest nights
Are your mercies in disguise

When I Get Where I'm Going

When I get where I'm going, On the far side of the sky
The first thing that I'm gonna do, Is spread my wings and fly

I'm gonna land beside a lion, And run my fingers through his mane
Or I might find out what it's like, To ride a drop of rain

[Chorus]

Yeah when I get where I'm going, There'll be only happy tears
I will shed the sins and struggles, I have carried all these years
And I'll leave my heart wide open, I will love and have no fear
Yeah when I get where I'm going, Don't cry for me down here

I'm gonna walk with my grand daddy, And he'll match me step for step
And I'll tell him how I missed him, Every minute since he left
Then I'll hug his neck

So much pain and so much darkness, In this world we stumble through
All these questions I can't answer, So much work to do

But when I get where I'm going, And I see my maker's face
I'll stand forever in the light, Of his amazing grace
Yeah when I get where I'm going, There'll be only happy tears
Hallelujah, I will love and have no fear
When I get where I'm going, Yeah when I get where I'm going