



Jonathan Kwesi Merrick Gass

January 21, 1973 - February 2, 2026

Celebrating the Life of Jonathan Kwesi Merrick Gass

1973 – 2026

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Jonathan Kwesi Merrick Gass, age 53, of Suwanee, Georgia, who departed this life on Monday, February 2, 2026. Jonathan was a man of quiet strength, profound discipline, and a global heart that bridged three nations.

A Legacy of Service and Discipline

Jonathan's life was defined by a commitment to excellence and a warrior's spirit. An honorably discharged veteran of the United States Marine Corps, he carried the values of honor and courage into every facet of his life.

In his professional career, Jonathan served as the Senior Supervisor of Quality Control at Bend Bioscience in Georgia. Known for his meticulous nature and leadership, he was a respected colleague and mentor. Outside of the laboratory, he found community and purpose as a dedicated practitioner and brother within the Southern Praying Mantis Federation, where he was admired for his skill and dedication to the martial arts.

A Global Family

Jonathan's warmth and character were felt across borders. He was a cherished figure in the lives of his family and friends in the United States, Canada, and Ghana. He is survived by:

- His Father: David Simpson Gass of Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, Canada.

- His Sister: Zelma Badu-Younger and Brother-in-Law, Paschal Younger, of Athens, Ohio.
- A vast network of close-knit friends and extended family who will miss his presence dearly.

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."

Jonathan was a man who lived with intention—whether he was upholding the rigors of quality control, practicing his forms, or sharing a moment with those he loved. His memory will continue to inspire those who knew the depth of his character.

Memorial Information

A memorial service to celebrate Jonathan's life will be held in the Atlanta area at a later date.

For those wishing to receive updates regarding the service or to share condolences with the family, please contact: Baduyounger@gmail.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I light this candle in memory of a coworker who became family. The laughter, shared moments, cookouts, and holidays our friend circle enjoyed together will always be treasured. You will be missed more than words can say.*



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