



Aman Ibib Zzyzx

January 9, 1935 - February 2, 2026

Born January 9, 1935, in Cincinnati Ohio, Aman Zzyzx (Robert Marbury Jr.), 91, of Bloomington, Indiana passed away in his home February 2, 2026. Cherished and well- respected by many, he too cherished his family and friends, especially in his later years.

Aman is survived by his wife Cathy (Marvel, Guemple) Zzyzx, daughters Kimberly Johnson of Sunrise, FL; Lorin Joy Marbury, Malakoff, TX; and son, Thomas Marbury of North Las Vegas, NV; grandchildren: Khalilah, Rickey, Deandera, Alexis, Brenden, Alyssa and 6 great grandchildren.

Preceded in death, were Aman's parents Robert Marbury Sr. and Vivian Irene (White) Marbury, sister Judy Marbury Corpening, and his dear "grandma" Bessie White.

Aman grew up in Indianapolis and attended Arsenal Technical High School where he received an award for creating the smallest radio. At age 14, he joined the Navy and went through boot camp at the Naval Training Station in Newport, Rhode Island. He was trained to be a Radioman onboard a Navy Cruiser where he maintained vital communication systems. At 17, he was honorably discharged due to enlisting underage. However, Aman went to work for RDT&E Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake where he developed his mathematical and pneumatic engineering skills which led him to work for

NASA. His work at NASA included the Atlas mission and the return of Apollo where he and his team had to literally plan, mathematically, how to get the astronauts back to Earth! He later worked at Korody-Colyer Corp. where he solved a long-believed mathematical impossibility and invented, and patented, the power/positive stroke which is still used in engines today.

Aman lived a full, colorful life of varied experiences and was recognized for his many talents such as inventor, engineer, woodworking craftsman, and professional jazz musician. He played with other professional jazz musicians such as Wes Montgomery and Freddie Hubbard.

He enjoyed vacationing often at Sanibel Island with his wife where they celebrated their wedding anniversary (October 25, 2008). Interestingly, Aman and Cathy shared the same day of birth, January 9th, and enjoyed blowing out candles together on their birthday cake each year. He enjoyed traveling and sitting on the backyard deck overlooking their beautiful garden. He also loved unique plants and miniature bonsai trees and would “greet,” by name, his favorite plants every morning.

For several years the couple served as leaders of the Congregation of the One New Man. They’ve hosted a weekly Bible study group for over a decade and the study will continue, just as Aman would have it because, most important to him was his faith in Jesus/Yeshua, the Messiah.

Aman’s faith in his Savior was his passion and he always enjoyed sharing his testimony and intricate details of when he was “born again” on August 10, 1967 in Los Angeles, CA. That moment spurred him on to receive formal training from the Lighthouse of International Foursquare Evangelism, known as LIFE Church. He later earned a ministerial teaching degree from Wheaton College and later was ordained as a rabbi by the Messianic Jewish Alliance of America (MJAA). Aman’s strong faith, hunger and love for deep Biblical study,

and his communication skills led to his many opportunities to “preach the Gospel” as he would say with emphasis. Giving sermons, leading Bible studies and overseeing Passover seders were his great joy. His life was marked by the hand of God in miraculous ways and he would often share, again, the intricate details of his encounters, even angelic interventions.

Lastly, Aman had a wonderful sense of humor and many laughs were shared with those who especially knew him best.

Friends and family are invited to the Allen Funeral Home 4155 S. Old State Rd. for visitation from 1:00 to 2:00 pm with service immediately following at 2:00 pm on Sunday, February 8th, 2026. A short graveside service will be held at Clear Creek Cemetery on Monday, February 9th, 2026 at 1:00 pm.

Memorial donations in Aman's name may be made to Ezra International or to Global Christian Relief.

Cemetery Details

Clear Creek Cemetery

W Church Lane
Bloomington, IN 47403

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory
4155 S. Old State Road 37
Bloomington, IN 47401
(812) 824-5905
<http://www.allencares.com>

Funeral Service

FEB 8. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Graveside Service

FEB 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

EF

“ *Dennis and I first met Aman and Cathy through our daughter Alisa at a prayer group gathering in Bloomington, IN years ago. We always found them to be kind and inviting whenever we met up with them. May he rest in peace with the Lord..Cathy my prayers go out to you, God Bless!*

Elaine Fountain - February 10 at 12:35 PM

CD

“ *Carrie DeForest purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.*



Carrie DeForest - February 08 at 01:28 PM

SM

“ When I first saw Aman, he and Cathy were sitting together in church. They always sat in the same two seats that marked the space between the front and back of the sanctuary. To me, they were simply *The Couple*.

*Later, when they volunteered at a healing service to help distribute clothing, I was happy to see them again. I felt drawn to them. I assigned Aman to oversee the sweatshirts and socks, which we quickly discovered were the most sought-after items for the homeless men. At the time, I didn't realize how perfectly placed he was—his kindness and gentleness made all the difference. Then, *The Couple* was gone.*

About a year later, our paths crossed again through their Bible study group and One New Man. When COVID hit, we were separated physically, but our hearts always remained connected. Even when differences arose, that connection never faded. Aman was my Rabbi and my spiritual father. I learned so much through his teachings. He never told us what to think; instead, he taught us how to think. He challenged us to look deeper—into Scripture and into ourselves.

My heartfelt condolences go out to Cathy and to his children. Aman will be deeply missed, but he will always be remembered. 🕯️ ✝️ ❤️

Sojourner Manns - February 08 at 09:40 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.



February 06 at 05:03 PM

LG

“ Love, Thursday Night Bible Study Group purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.



Love, Thursday Night Bible Study Group - February 06 at 04:49 PM

LG

“ Love, Thursday Night Bible Study Group planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.

Love, Thursday Night Bible Study Group - February 06 at 04:49 PM

PG

“ Philip G. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.

Philip G. - February 06 at 04:31 PM

EG

“ Elisabeth G. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.

Elisabeth G. - February 06 at 11:25 AM

MK

“ Michelle and Keith purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.



Michelle and Keith - February 06 at 07:56 AM

MK

“Michelle and Keith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.

Michelle and Keith - February 06 at 07:56 AM

FE

“Fenio purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Aman Ibib Zzyzx.



Fenio - February 05 at 09:52 PM