WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, HIS NAME IS JAMES

By W.G. Ramirez

James Jordan was born in 1936, 27 years before he would even begin thinking of a name for his son. In 1963 he named his son Michael. Now, 30 years later, James has apparently inherited a new name... well actually a couple. Michael Jordan's dad/father, (no Michael) Jordan's dad/father, Michael's (no Jordan) dad/father. Anyway, you get the point. Well, unless you've noticed, the man's name is James Jordan.

Following the horrible circumstances concerning James Jordan, I've been reading story after story that not only tries to tie in Michael's gambling situation with James' death, but continually begin the first paragraph, or even two, with the above mentioned names.



JAMES JORDAN

Understood, he is the most famous person in the country, arguably the world, but with all due respect, give the man his props. His name is James.

It really is something to understand though, how two youngsters, barely old enough to vote, have completely ruined their futures. Then again, after

time was bound to eventually catch up with them. Larry Demery had four outstanding warrants at the time he was arrested, for failure to appear for trial at least a dozen times in four different incidents. Daniel Green has a previous conviction for assault with intent to kill, when he put a friend, Robert Ellison, in a coma after crushing the side of his head with an axe. Green served less than two years of his six-year sentence, getting released just two months before the Jordan incident.

It just goes to show that everyone must stick together and realize that we all need one another. If everyone has an attitude with the next person, no progress will be made. Why is it necessary to murder innocent

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people? Why ask Why?

Another thing that baffles me, with no disrespect to the Jordan family, is how things had to get so blown out of proportion when they learned who the victim was. They had just taken someone's life, and regardless of who it may have been, it was someone else's father, husband, brother, grandfather, etc. Imagine if the two suspects weren't caught. It only took two hours following the initial announcement of Jordan's missing, that it was said that Michael's gambling may have had something to do with it. That's cold!

Where do these people get off? Everyone tried to justify why they would insinuate such a thing, but seemed to enjoy ask-



LARRY DEMERY

ing the questions and going through the motions.

It must be the price you have to pay for celebrity status. Even if yourfather has been murdered by two punks who were just out for kicks, looking for trouble to



DANIEL GREEN

cause. Parents, please take pride in raising your young men and women, they are our future.

"...and out of North Carolina, a 6'6 guard, at #23 - Jaaames Jordaaan's Sonnn."

James - Rest In Peace

LOCAL LEAGUE ANNOUNCEMENTS

FALL COED VOLLEYBALL

Registration for fall coed volleyball league at the Baker Park Community School, 1100 E. St. Louis Ave., takes place through September 9. Competition begins the week of September 13, and includes three levels of play; beginners take the court Tuesdays, while intermediate players see action Wednesdays. The advanced begin-

ner league plays Thursdays.
The cost is \$90 per team and \$5 per match.

YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE

A youth basketball league is now being organized at the Baker Park Community School, 1100 E. St. Louis Ave.. Registration takes place September 6-17, from 3-8:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and noon to 12 p.m.-6 p.m., Fridays. The cost is

\$45 per team, which includes official's fees. This league is designed for ages 10-12 and begins play September 24. Play will continue Friday evenings and Saturday mornings through December 17.

RECREATION BASKET-BALL LEAGUE

A recreationbasketball league is now being organized by the City of Las Vegas Municipal Sports Unit.

Registration for the adult league begins August 25 and continues through September 7, at a cost of \$300 per team, plus a \$20 officials fee. PLay will take place Mondays and Wednesdays beginning September 20. League play begins at 6:30 p.m. Call 229-2089 or 229-2362.

WOMENS 3-0N-3 BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Awomen's 3-on-3 basketballl league is now being organized at the Chuck Minker Sports Complex, 275 N. Mojave Rd.

Play begins September 25, and continues each Saturday thereafter, at 12 noon. Registaration takes place August 23-September 20 at a cost of \$125 per team, which does not include official's fees. The league is open to women 13 and older. Call 229-6563

These are City of Las Vegas sponsored leagues.



