

Former Knicks Player Honored With Street Co-Naming in Queens

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A former Knicks player, who grew up in Queens, will now be remembered in Jamaica for years to come.

A section of 147th Street off Rockaway Boulevard has been co-named "Anthony Mason Way to honor the former Knicks player.

Anthony Mason, known to some as "Big Mase," died weeks after he suffered a heart attack in 2015.

A ceremony was held Saturday to unveil the new street sign.

Councilman Ruben Wills, members of Mason's family and Mason's former friends and teammates were there for the event.

"He was known as a legendary Knick, so this is a great, joyous occasion. A little bittersweet, because he's not here and we have to do this, but the fact that I know that he's here with us spiritually, smiling down, makes me incredible happy," said Anthony Mason Jr., one of Anthony Mason's Sons.

"For Queens and this community to show him that love, says a lot about him as an individual," John Starks, also a former NY Knicks Player.

Mason spent five years playing with the Knicks during his 14 years in the NBA.

