

Homegoing Celebration in Blessed Memory of **Reginald Thomas**

Sunrise April 23, 1922

Sunset October 21, 2010



Friday, October 29, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

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163 Oakwood Avenue • Orange, New Jersey 07050

Rev. Ruby Williams, Officiating Sir Joshua Nelson, Organist

Obituary

Reginald Thomas, son of the late Helen and Wilbur Thomas was born in Brooklyn, New York April 23, 1922.

On August 15, 1948 in Baltimore, Reginald married the late Lillie Bell Simpson Thomas. To this union of fifty-seven years Reginald and Lillie were blessed with three daughters.

Reginald worked at Western Electric Co. as a Packing Dept. Supervisor from 1942-1944. In May of 1944, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was stationed in California. During his service, he attended schools in Illinois and Virginia for mechanical drawing.

After moving to Jersey City, NJ Reginald developed textiles at Jerry Baron. He was employed at Weston Instrumentals as a precision tool and die maker manufacturing parts for the space program. He was also employed by Ragen Precision Industries and Worthington Pump Corp. At the age of eighty he retired.

The positions at which he made a living were minor compared to his major accomplishments; his patience as a devoted husband, an ever present and supportive role as a loving father, the unconditional love he displayed to his family. He was a grandfather that would travel around the country to support his grandson. Seek out what he thought would be the prefect camera for a granddaughter that expressed an interest in photography which was always his passion. He lived in a home filled with pictures he took of his loved ones but it was difficult to locate pictures of him, He was generous in heart and spirit, didn't raise his voice, and was always available for a hug to comfort if you felt a need to shed a tear.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lillie Bell Thomas, two daughters, Ellen Thomas Huland El and Lorraine Thomas Green and one brother, Charles Banks.

Reginald leaves to cherish his memory: a loving daughter, Letitia Thomas-Washington of Kearny, NJ; five grandchildren, Durand Thomas, Tia Washington, Deneise Smith, Janae Fair and Douglas Green; six great grandchildren, Aaron Smith, Jason Smith, Brianna Blue, Amanda Green, Dawn Green and Leroy Green; and a host of other extended family. He also leaves special friends.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude	Sir Joshua Nelson
Seating of the Family	
Invocation	
Hymn of Assurance	Sir Joshua Nelson "The Lord's Prayer"
Reading of God's word Matthew 11:25-30 Psalm 100	
Prayer of Comfort	
Selection	
Words of Love	Durand Thomas (grandson)
Reading of the Obituary	
Selection	
Recessional	

Interment

Arlington Cemetery Kearny, New Jersey

Friends are invited to join the family for the repast at Bensi 11 River Road, North Arlington, NJ 07031

Safely Home

I am now at home in Heaven,
All so happy, all so bright!
There is perfect joy and
beauty in this everlasting light.
All in pain and grief are over
Every restless tossing passed.
I am now at peace forever,
Safely Home In Heaven At Last.

Reginald Thomas joins Heavenly Father, Earthly Father, Mother, Wife and Brother in peace.

<u>Acknowledgements</u>

The family of the late **Reginald Thomas** wishes to express their appreciation and thanks for the many prayers, cards, flowers, calls, and all act of kindness expressed during their time of bereavement.

~The Family

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