



Celebrating the Life of

Wyatt Washington

Sunrise

January 31, 1957

Sunset

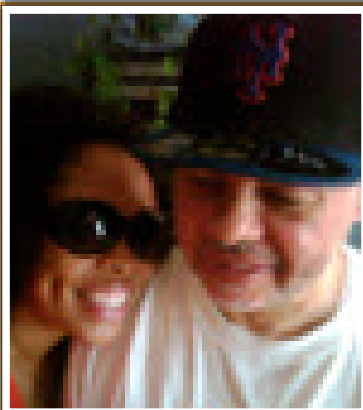
July 17, 2011

Friday, July 22, 2011 - 9:00 a.m.

MT. PILGRIM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

163 Autumn Street
Passaic, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. W.L. McDowell, Pastor

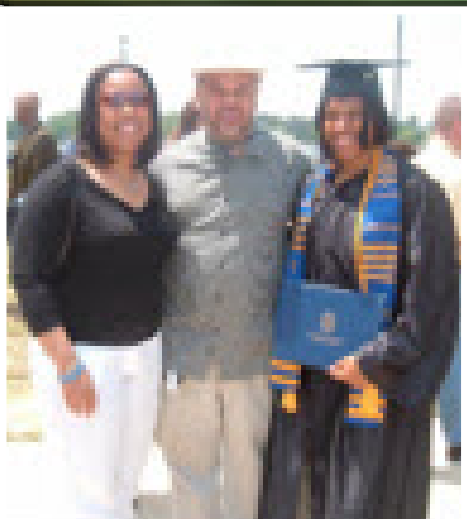


A Father Just Like You

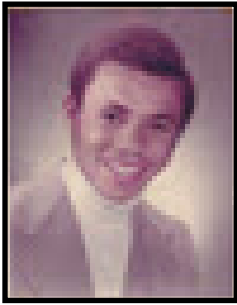
*I just want to let you know
You mean the world to me
Only a heart as dear as yours
Would give so unselfishly*

*The many things you've done
All the times that you were there
Help me know deep down inside
How much you really care*

*Even though I might not have said
I appreciate all you do
Richly blessed is how I feel
Having had a Father just like you.*



Reflections of Life



Wyatt Washington was born in Passaic, NJ to Lillie Washington on January 31, 1957. Affectionately known to his mother as "Tweety Bird," he was one of ten children. Wyatt was a long time businessman and contributor to the City of Passaic. At the young age of 9, he learned the importance of hard work and began working for Peter Candy. When he turned 13, he began working in Dominianni's Meat Market as an apprentice to Nicholas Dominianni. Under Nick, he learned the ins and outs of being a butcher as well as how to run a successful business, all the while going through the Passaic School system. Wyatt graduated from Passaic High School in 1975. In 1981, at the age of 23, Wyatt purchased Dominianni's Meat Market and renamed it Wyatt's Meat Market. Years later, he converted the meat market into a deli, renaming the establishment one final time to Wyatt's Deli. His business has thrived for three decades.

Wyatt Washington married Mary Ann Giles on February 4, 1984. Wyatt was a loving and devoted father to three daughters, Christina, Nicole and Natasha Washington. Wyatt was a member of the Mt. Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church of Passaic. There, he served on the Trustee Board for seven years and has served in other capacities as well. He was the overseer for the annual Men's Breakfast and participated in the Men Who Cook.

Not limiting himself to his business, Wyatt also entered the political realm by running for City Council in 1997 and 1999 because he felt a change was needed in our city. Although he was not elected to the City Council, he did not allow his drive for change to end. He later became a Zoning Board Commissioner for the City of Passaic, in which he served for eight years.

In 2004, he envisioned extending his business by opening a restaurant. His vision became reality in 2007 when he opened Lawrence's Bar and Grill on the corner of Main Avenue and Summer Street.

Wyatt believed in excellence, especially for the youth. Every year, Wyatt sponsored a deserving child for the NAACP Annual Black College Tour. He also made generous donations to the Pop Warner Program of Passaic, and for his participation, he was recently honored with the Distinguished Community Service Award. He was also honored by the Passaic African American Celebration Committee for his "years of outstanding and overwhelming support, mentoring and service" in our community. As a businessman, Wyatt was truly a pillar to our community and has been a role model and mentor to so many in the City of Passaic. Wyatt was a very unique person who is gone but will surely never be forgotten.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Mary Ann (Giles) Washington; daughters, Christina R., Nicole and Natasha Bennie-Washington; mother, Lillie Washington; brothers, Gerald Timothy and Steve Washington; sisters, Geneva Jackson, Adorn Washington, Jametta Jackson and Doshana Washington; godson, Shane Hinton; devoted friends, Odell Hinton, Sr. and Timothy White; mother-in-law, Gladys Giles; brothers-in-law, Jeffrey and Tyrone Giles; sisters-in-law, Jacqueline Price and Deborah Carter; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

Precious Memories



Order of Service

Musical Prelude *Musician*

Processional *The Family*

Opening Hymn *“Hold To God’s Unchanging Hand”*
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Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 90 1-12

New Testament - 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Prayer of Comfort *Clergy*

Words of Comfort *Clergy*

Remarks *Trustee Lawrence Carnell*
Chairman, Trustee Board
Deaconess Donna Hansford
Leader, Deaconess Board
Deacon Board
Representative
Steven Washington
Brother

Selection *Mt. Pilgrim Combined Choir*

Acknowledgements, Resolutions
and Reflections of Life *Rita L. Sallie*

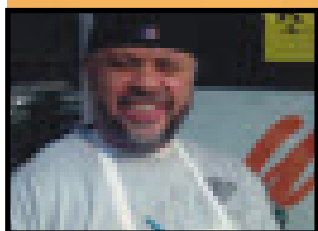
Selection *Mt. Pilgrim Combined Choir*

Eulogy *Rev. Dr. W. Louis McDowell, Pastor*
Mt. Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church • Passaic, NJ

Recessional Song “Going Up Yonder To Be With My Lord”
Giovanna Santana
Jr. Deacon Theodore Hill

Recessional *The Family*

Interment *East Ridgelawn Cemetery • Clifton, NJ*



Farewell

Farewell my family, don't weep for I'm at peace now, just asleep. Farewell my family, I'm not alone, the Mighty Maker has led me safely home. Just think back over the many years, how the family seemed so strong, holding back the tears. Yet, God somehow always made a way, thanking Him every night and day. Be good my family, always love each other. Be strong my family, strong in heart, the blood ties, no one can ever part. If at some time I made a mistake, as you live, many will you make. Farewell my family, I've been called away. Walk with God, trust in His word, for He is always by your side.



Acknowledgements

The family of Wyatt Washington would like to express their sincere thanks for the many prayers, courtesies, acts of kindness, and expressions of sympathy extended to them during this time. May God continue to bless and keep each of you.

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