



In Loving Memory of

Raymond L. Land

Sunrise
February 19, 1961

Sunset
July 27, 2011

Friday, August 5, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

Rev. Sidney Walters, Officiating

Obituary

Raymond Lamont Land affectionately known as "Ray" or "Sugar" was born February 19, 1961 in Newark, New Jersey. He is the beloved son of Etta Walker Land of East Orange and Willie Land of Newark, New Jersey. Ray was called to his final resting place on July 27, 2011 while at home in Piscataway, New Jersey.

Ray completed his primary and secondary education in the Newark Public School System and is a 1979 graduate of University High School. Ray received his Bachelor's Degree in social work from Rutgers University. He then received his Masters of Social Work from Kean University and for Ray this was a special accomplishment because he and his brother graduated together.

After graduating from Rutgers University, Ray accepted a position with the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS) where he worked as a social worker for nineteen years. After graduating from Kean University, Ray accepted a position at Soelh Middle School in the Linden Public School System where he worked as a school social worker until his death.

Ray was an avid sports fan loving his Dallas Cowboys and New York Knicks. He also loved his music especially ballads and rap music. He enjoyed being with his family. He loved his aunt Mickey's cooking and taking vacations with his family.

Ray was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, RosaLea Walker affectionately known as "Nana".

Ray leaves to cherish his memory: his mother, Etta Walker Land of East Orange, New Jersey; his father, Willie Land of Newark, New Jersey; his sister, Jeannie Land of East Orange, New Jersey; his brother, Jerome Land of Newark, New Jersey; great uncle, Charles Walker Sr. of Union, New Jersey; aunts, Ethel Walker of Maplewood, New Jersey, Mary "Betty" Walker of East Orange, New Jersey, Michelle "Mickey" Walker of East Orange, New Jersey; his nephew, Shaun Land of Union, New Jersey; his nieces, Michaela Whiteman-Land of Union, New Jersey and Natasha Land of Union, New Jersey; his great niece, Bailey and his great nephews, Derek and Jameson. Ray leaves behind numerous cousins, extended family members and many friends.

We are all lost without him. He is gone but never forgotten.

Order of Service

Prelude

Musical Selection

Robeyera ReVoal

Scripture Readings

Terris Keith Thompson Jr.

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14: 1-7

Musical Selection

Robeyera ReVoal

Prayer of Comfort

Reverend Sidney Walters/ Reverend Gary Scott

Moments of Reflection

2 minute please

Obituary

Jeannie Land

Musical Selection

Robeyera ReVoal

Eulogy

Reverend Sidney Walters/ Reverend Gary Scott

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, New Jersey

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little—but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me—but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me—but let me go.*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.
Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.
Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.
Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.*

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