

*Celebrating The Life of*  
*Napolean McCray*



*Sunrise*  
*August 13, 1947*

*Sunset*  
*February 3, 2012*

*Thursday, February 9, 2012*  
*7:00 p.m.*

**CHRIST TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH**

38 Hopper Street  
Paterson, New Jersey

*Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Turner, Officiating*



# Reflections of Life

*"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."*

II Timothy 4: 7-8

## **The Rising of The Sun**

**Mr. Napoleon McCray**, the son of Miss. Idus McCray and the Late J.K. Walker was born on August 13, 1947 in Florence, South Carolina. Napoleon "Mack Daddy" McCray departed his life on February 3, 2012 at 3:08 at Carolinas Hospital System in Florence S.C. He slipped into eternal rest and peace, with his wife and Care-Taker, Georganna Smalls-McCray, Mother, Idus McCray, and Family at his bed side.

## **The Gleaming Of The Sun**

Napoleon attended Olanta Training School in Olanta, SC and Carver High School in Lake City, South Carolina. After high school, he attended Job Corps. At a early age, Napoleon confessed Christ as his savior, where he attended Jerusalem Baptist Church, later on in life, he moved to Paterson, New Jersey where he joined Getsemane Primitivie Baptist Church in Newark, New Jersey, where he was baptized under the leadership of Rev. E. W. Wallace and Rev. Walter White Jr., there he was a trustee and a faithful member for over twenty years. Later on in his life, he moved his membership to Christ Temple Baptist Church where he met his wife and joined Christ Temple Baptist Church in Paterson, New Jersey under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Turner. Who he really love and love for him to sing his favorite song "I Want Complain." Napoleon met Georganna Smalls in 1989 and was united in Holy Matrimony on November 9, 1996, where Dr. Rev. Gregory C. Turner married them. After retiring from Public Service Electric & Gas Company for over thirty-eight years, he decided he wanted to move back to South Carolina to be closer to his family. Once moving back to Florence, South Carolina, he joined his family church, Greater Saint Stephens Baptist Church under the leadership of his, Rev. Samuel Burgess in Lake City, SC, he was a faithful member until his health fell him. As a Father, Grandfather, and Husband he made many personal sacrifices for his family, Grand and Great- Grand Children.

Napoleon was employed by PSE&G of Clifton, New Jersey for over thirty-eight years. He was a member of Cert Team of The Passaic County Sheriff Department and Local Teamster 855 and he was a former member of Hiram #19 of Paterson, NJ and a former member of Lodge 195 of Paterson, New Jersey also. Napoleon had a heart of gold. He meant so much to so many people. Anyone that knew Napoleon knew he always had a funny joke to tell and would make u laugh; then u wonder was he telling the truth. The Relationship that he had with his wife was like; you saw one you saw the other, they always had a smile on their face like they was meant to be together, and anyone who knew him knew he love his wife with all his heart.

Napoleon was preceded in death by his father, J.K. Walker, a brother Donald Walker, and sister, Linda Walker, and Helen Flemming, father-in-law, Arthur Lee McCall and a brother-in-law, Terry Williams.

## **The Shining Of The Sun**

Those he leaves in his loving memory and to see his vision in the future are: his loving and devoted wife, Mrs. Georganna Smalls-McCray of the home; one devoted daughter, Shirlene (Charles) McKnight- Green of Timmonsville, SC; three devoted sons, Bruce McCray of Hackensack, New Jersey, Demond (Natisha) McCray of Portsmouth, Virginia and Da'Shon Smalls of Paterson, New Jersey; adopted son, Steven McCoy of Paterson, NJ; his loving mother, Miss Idus McCray of Olanta, SC; mother-in-law, Mrs. Robbie Mae Williams Manigo of Paterson, NJ; eight sisters, Ruthie Timmons, Mrs. Barbara Epps, Pearl Epps of Olanta, SC, Mrs. Linda (Levern) Gamble of Lynchburg, SC, Shirley Burgess of Lake City, SC, Minnie Ruth (Grady) Johnson Florence, SC and Emma Jean Walker of Florence, SC; five brothers, Willie McCray of Turbeville, SC, Mr. Luke (Linda) McCray of Olanta, SC, Mr. Monroe (Mary Ann) McCray of Olanta, SC, Mr. Benjamin (Elizabeth) McCray of Olanta, SC, J.A Walker of New Zion, SC and Tommy (Doris) Hannah of Paterson, NJ; two sisters-in-law, Mary Williams of Paterson, New Jersey and Shelia McCall of Darlington, SC; nine brothers-in-law; David Williams of Paterson, NJ, Donald (Carol) Gatewood of Paterson, NJ, Tim Farrow (Amanda Ellis) of Clinton, NJ, Donnie and Ronnie Lighty of Society Hill, SC, Vincent McCall, Christopher McCall, Derrick Jackson of Darlington, SC and Keith McCall of Atlanta, Georgia; twelve grandchildren, Dorwan McKnight and Dwayne McKnight of Timmonsville, SC, Charles (Charity) Green of Portsmouth, Virginia; Ashley McCray, Madison McCray and Demond McCray Jr. of Portsmouth, Virginia, Bryce McCray of Paterson, NJ, Rahmeir Dailey of Atlanta, Georgia, Da' Nilah Smalls of Paterson NJ, Ja'Shon Barron of NC, Daj'Jah Brown and Rae'Kwon Smalls of Paterson, NJ; three great-grandchildren, Ariyanna McKnight, Shakayla McKnight and Dwayne McKnight Jr. of Florence, SC; four uncles, Elmore McCray of Boyton Beach, Florida, Robert "Bobby" Smalls of Paterson, NJ and Ronnie K. Smalls of Columbia, SC Floyd Scoot Darlington, SC; six aunts, Mary E. Graham of Lake City, SC, Emma McKenzie of Scranton, SC, Betty Ann Swinton of Florence, SC, Frances "Emma Jean" Small of Darlington, SC, Shirley Jean Williams of Atlanta, Georgia and Amelia Williams of Paterson, NJ; special godchildren, Brandy Jenkins, Shaneka Kersey, Yazmee M. Sessoms, Kyeera Ozahne Williams and Justin Kerr all of Paterson, New Jersey, Maliah McKenzie, Nicholas McKenzie of Olanta, SC, Little Miss Taryn Samuel of Tallahassee, Florida; best friends, Sadie Chapman, Sharon Sauls, Louise Sauls, Kister Burgess, Wendall (Ada) Jordan, Frank (Cynthia) Gaskins, David (Gloria) McFadden, Ernest McElveen, Eugene (Annie) Brown, Gill Cleaves, Orville "Teddy" (Lisa) Kerr, Hebert Cook, Leo "LG" Gerald, Joe Flynn and Rod Stokes. He also leaves several nieces and nephews, family and friends. The Staff of PSE&G of Clinton, New Jersey.

## **The Setting Of The Sun**

On Friday, February 3, 2012, the clock of life stood still. His smile has gone and his hand we cannot touch, still we have so many memories of the one we loved so much. His memory is our keepsake with which we will never part. God has Him in his keeping; we have him in our hearts.

**Close The Book, But Remember The Story.**

# Order of Service

Processional

Hymn

Word of God Declared

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer ..... Rev. Brian Collins

Selection ..... Bro. Ernest McElveen

Acknowledgements

& Obituary ..... Sis. Cardilla Louidd

Remarks

Selection ..... Bro. Eric McKenzie

Word of Life Proclaimed ..... Rev. Dr. Gregory C. Turner

Recessional



**Interment**  
*Lake City, South Carolina*  
(please turn on headlights and hazards for cemetery procession.)



## *The Master Called*

*I'm sorry I had to leave you. My loved ones,  
oh so dear. But you see, the Master called  
me, His voice was very clear!*

*I had made my reservation*

*A heaven bound ticket for one, And I knew  
that He would call me When He felt my  
work was done. I know that your hearts are  
heavy Because I have gone away, But when  
the Master called me, I knew that I could  
not stay. Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear, But, you see, the  
Master called me*

*And, now I'm resting here.*

*Yes, I've crossed on over to glory And to  
you all I say Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.*

*-Author unknown*



### *Acknowledgement*

*The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the  
many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their  
family during this hour of bereavement.*

*May God Bless and Keep You!*

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