


*Celebrating the Life of*



*John J. Warner*

*Sunrise*  
*May 17, 1926*

*Sunset*  
*May 16, 2012*

*Thursday, May 24, 2012 - 3:00 p.m.*

*Woody "Home For Services"*

*163 Oakwood Avenue*

*Orange, New Jersey 07050*

*Rev. Ruby Williams, Officiating*

*Sir Joshua Nelson, Organist*

## Obituary

**JOHN THOMAS WARNER** was born on May 17, 1926 in Newark, NJ to John Thomas Warner and Gertrude Woobee Warner. He passed away peacefully in his sleep from natural causes related to cancer on Wednesday, May 16, 2012, one day before his 86th birthday.

John, also known as “Fong” to close friends and relatives, was raised in Orange, NJ with a large and loving family of siblings and cousins. He was educated in the Orange Public School System. Later, he would join the U.S. Army, where he served his country during World War II at various bases in the U.S. and overseas. He was honorably discharged as a decorated corporal.

His career path included many years in the bakery industry, followed by work in the steel industry, and later at local breweries. He eventually retired from Anheuser-Busch after more than ten years as a packing and loading dock worker and truck driver.

John courted his future wife Margaret Dixon-Chase, affectionately known as “Peggy” starting in 1952. They raised their daughter and then in 1963, they married. Their son was born later that year. Together, they enjoyed life with family and friends. John and Peggy raised their two children, Sandra Chase and John A. Warner, affectionately known as Rusty. In their golden years, their favorite pastime was taking trips to Atlantic City casinos.

John’s easy-going manner demonstrated his positive outlook, sense of humor and quick wit. He loved laughter and watching his favorite TV programs, “Letterman” and “Golden Girls,” kept him laughing. He was a fun-loving and good natured spirit who possessed a big heart. A kinder, more generous man has rarely existed. Provider, husband, father, grandfather, these were the roles in which he took the most pride. He maintained as the head of his household with a quiet strength and generosity of spirit. To know John Warner was to love him.

John was predeceased by his beloved wife Margaret “Peggy” Warner, who died last year; his mother Gertrude Woobee-Warner; his father John Thomas Warner; his twin brother, Albert Warner; his sister, Edith Sherman; his mother-in-law, Beatrice Parks-Barrett; his sister-in-law, Edith Ayres-Jenkins; and his brother-in-law and best friend, Paul Dixon, Jr. He is survived by his daughter, Sandra Chase-Williams; his son, Rusty Warner; his granddaughter, Tanishia Williams, MD, PhD; his cousin, Adele Faison; his sisters-in-law, Margaret “Margie” Warner, Agnes Buchanan-Warner, Gloria “Lovey” Quinlan-Dixon and Barbara Ayres-Sellers; many nieces, nephews and a host of relatives and friends.

A wonderful father, grandfather, uncle, cousin, and friend . . . he will be sorely missed.



# Order of Service

*Organ Prelude* .....*Sir Joshua Nelson*

*Seating of the Family*

*Invocation*

*Hymn of Assurance* .....*"Just A Closer Walk With Thee"*

*Scripture Readings*

*Old Testament*

*New Testament*

*Prayer of Comfort*

*Selection*

*Acknowledgements and Remarks*

*Obituary Reading*

*Selection* .....*"How I Got Over"*

*Eulogy* .....*Rev. Ruby Williams*

*Mt. Vernon Missionary Baptist Church Newark, NJ*

*Recessional*

## Cremation

*Evergreen Crematory*

*Hillside, New Jersey*

*Family and friends are invited for a repast at  
the Residence of Ms. Agnes Buchanan  
85 Monticello Avenue, Newark, NJ 07106*





## 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 and everyone of us  
 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.  
 And bury your sorrows  
 in doing good deeds  
 Miss me-but let me go.



### Acknowledgements

The family of the late **John Thomas Warner** wishes to express  
 their sincere appreciation for the acts of kindness and love  
 shown to them during their time of sorrow.

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