In Loving Memory of



September 24, 1933

Sunset May 29, 2012

Service Tuesday, June 5, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.

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<u>Obituary</u>

Donald Calvin Bennett was born on September 24, 1933 in New York City and returned home to rest on May 29, 2012. He was the second born son of Euna and Clarence Bennett.

He attended both P.S. 194 and St. Charles Borromeo Elementary Schools and graduated from Dewitt Clinton High School.

Over the years he held various jobs, but was particularly proud to hold the position of drug counselor at Martin Luther King Health Center located in Bronx, New York. After several budget cuts at the center, which affected his position, he moved on to be a self-supporting advocate, working in the Harlem community until he became disabled and retired.

Donald was exceptionally bright and known for his dynamic personality, enormous popularity, wit and his ability to become the life of the party. People of all ages gravitated towards him as they were fascinated by his, charm, friendliness, gift of gab, knowledge, sparkling no nonsense directness and truly respected him for keeping it too real. His heart and home were open to all.

He was an avid sports enthusiast and a diehard Yankees fan, who had a great passion for music. Donald especially loved and enjoyed listening to jazz and Marvin Gaye.

Donald above all was a warm, caring, lovable and a very devoted family man, who will be greatly missed. His life was a life lived to the fullest. Many have been touched by the loving kindness and Joy that he brought to all that new him. You would be hard pressed to find a more loving brother, dedicated father, devoted grandfather and friend. Tall in stature, but mighty in heart...courage is the legacy that he leaves behind. All who knew and loved him will truly miss him. He leaves behind to mourn his beloved wife of 44 years, Margaret; his loving children, Donna, Missy, Tina, Carol, Dina, Euna and Tyishah; ten loving grandchildren, Darren, Cordell, Valerie, Christopher, Michael "Mikey", Jordan, Mason, Cheyenne, Jaeden and Jourdyn; great granddaughter, Sanaii; and a host of nephews and nieces; his caring sister, Constance; and a series of loved ones and friends.

Donald is returning home to join his brother, Clay Bennett, sister, Selena Bennett and grandson, Rudolph Brown.

Quote section "It only hurts for a little while" Donald C. Bennett

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea."

<u>Order of Service</u>

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Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to thank everyone for their condolences and best wishes during our time of bereavement.

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