

In Loving Memory of



Raymond Donald Sheppard

Sunrise
December 23, 1934



Sunset
August 24, 2012

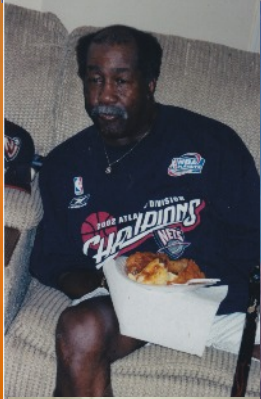
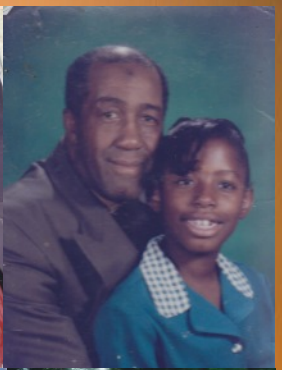
Friday, August 31, 2012 - 11:00 a.m.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

144 Norman Street • East Orange, NJ

Pastor Dwight Gill, Officiating

Emory Lee, Organist



Reflections of Life

Raymond Donald Sheppard was born in Newark, NJ and was a resident of East Orange, NJ for fifty years.

He graduated from Central High School in Newark, NJ in January 1953. He later graduated from Purdue University, where he received a degree in Public Health. Raymond was a avid sports fan. He was a devoted fan of the New York Yankees and the New York Giants. "Coach Shep" taught track and field for the East Orange Dragons, a team that he help found. He also was a POP Warner Football Coach for the East Orange Falcons.

Raymond was a health inspector with the City of Newark before retiring after twenty years of service. He then began a career with the East Orange School District as a Teachers Assistant at "Whitney Houston Academy" for twelve years, before retiring in again 2006. Raymond was a sharp dresser who enjoyed music. He also promoted shows bringing in such acts as the Whispers

and Temptations. He was a East Orange Democratic Municipal County Committee Member.

Raymond had a great love for everyone, especially his family. However, he was a specially proud and grateful for his daughter, Sybil, she was truly the light and joy of his existence, especially during his illness.

Raymond leaves to cherish his memories: his sweetheart of twenty-six years, Michelle Harris-Sheppard; from this union his pride and joy Sybil Sheppard. He is also survived by his son's, Robert (Keya), Yusuf (Qumar), Terrence, Joseph and Jerome; daughter's, Tiffany (Ali) and Dayshona; one goddaughter, Kim Tuttle-Alexander; his childhood friends, Joe Tuttle, Sonny Greene, Dr. Leonard Jeffries, Henry Hamilton and John Amos; one nephew, Kristin Sheppard; fourteen grandchildren; his Doddtown Family; and a host of other relative and friends.

He was predeceased by his sister, Karen Sheppard.

Order of Service

Musical PreludeEmory Lee

Processional

Selection..... Tasha Clarke
"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection Emory Lee
"Jesus Keep We Near The Cross"

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Special Remarks (*2 minutes please*) Henry Hamilton
John Amos

Reading of the Obituary

Selection Emory Lee
"Precious Lord"

Eulogy.....Pastor Dwight D. Gill

Recessional

Organ Postlude

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery

Orange, New Jersey

Family and friends are invited for a repast immediately following the interment back at the church.

An Eternal Memory...

... Life Is Not The Same Without You

The sun still rises in the east and darkness falls at night but nothing now seems quite the same each day is not as bright. The birds still sing, the flowers grow the breeze still whispers, too but it will never, ever be the same world without you it's so sad that you had to go your leaving caused such pain but you were very special and earth's loss is heaven's gain.



Acknowledgements

*The family of **Raymond Donald Sheppard** acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind acts and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each of you for your thoughtfulness and concerns.*

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