

### <u>Obituary</u>

**Nathan Hawley Jr.** was born on December 6, 1961 to the late Nathan Hawley Sr. and Doris Hawley in Glen Ridge, N.J. He departed this life on August 31, 2012.

Raised in Hillside, New Jersey Nathan accepted the Lord at an early age at Good Neighbor Baptist Church where he served as a youth usher. He attended George Washington Elementary School and was an active Boy Scout and Little League player.

Nathan graduated from Hillside High School in 1980. It was during high school that he developed his love for football where he became affectionately known as "BEAR". Nathan continued his education at Iowa State University where he played football for a number of years and obtained his Bachelor's degree at Montclair State University. Upon completion of his education Nathan was employed by IBM and dedicated twenty-five years of service at United Bank of Switzerland (UBS).

Nathan met and married his wife Zarita in 1988. From this union Nathan III and Brianna were born. Nathan was a dedicated husband and father who cherished his family.

He was an avid Minnesota Vikings and Pittsburgh Pirates fan. Nathan enjoyed photography, movies, collecting sea shells and he was also a DJ where he established himself as "DJ BEAR".

In terms of his character, Nathan believed in giving 100% and was always lending a helping hand. He served as a Little League Coach for Rick Cerone and Roberto Clemente Leagues. He also coached "pee wee" basketball at the Boy's and Girl's club. Nathan was a very humble, grateful and generous person with a great sense of humor.

We can not know what lies ahead from day to passing day, or what changes God is planning in his wise and loving way. We can not know the reasons he allows both joy and tears, and why we must lose the precious ones we've cherished through the years. We don't always understand God's reason, but we must trust that faith will help us find our way to those tomorrows that will bring us peace of mind.

He leaves to treasure a devoted wife, Zarita; son, Nathan III; daughter, Brianna; mother, Doris; late father, Nathan Sr.; brother, David Hawley (Christy); six brothers-in-law; two sisters-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

## Order of Service

Processional	With Scripture Sentences
Hymn	"Our Father"
Scripture: Old Testament 23 <sup>rd</sup> Psalm New Testament John (14: 1-4)	
Prayer of Consolation	
Solo	"Going Up Yonder"
Acknowledgements Cards, Telegrams, and other Express	ions
Remarks	
Obituary	(Silent Reading)
Hymn	"Oh How I Love Jesus" Choir
Eulogy	The Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.
Benediction	The Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.
Recessional	

<u>Interment</u>

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

#### I'M FREE

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free; I'm following the path God laid for me. I took his hand when I heard him call; I turned my back and left it all;

I could not stay another day, To laugh, to love, to work, or play, Tasks left undone must stay that way; I found that place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A Friendship Shared, a laugh, a kiss; Ah yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow;
I wish you sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much;
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief; Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Life up your heart and share with me; God wanted me now, He set me free.

#### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of the late **Nathan Hawley Jr.** wishes to express their Heartfelt appreciation for all acts of kindness extended to them During their hour of bereavement. May God continue to bestow his Richest blessing upon you.

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# Whigham Funeral Home

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