

A Celebration of Life for

Sunrise August 20, 1971 Sunset September 7, 2012

Saturday, September 15, 2012 - 1:00 p.m.

**Christian Pentecostal Church** 

971 Clinton Ave. Irvington, New Jersey Pastor Jerry Smith, Officiating

#### <u>Reflections of Eife</u>

On August 20, 1971, God sent James, the first baby boy of the family but the third of four children, to be born in Newark, NJ to James Sr., and Camellia Johnson. James E. Johnson, Jr., was a loving husband, amazing father, devoted son, awesome brother and exceptional human being and was affectionately known as "Jay".

He attended Frank H. Morrell High School in Irvington, NJ. Shortly thereafter he started his own business, Ayces Transportation and Relocation, LLC in Virginia. James was an upstanding entrepreneur who successfully facilitated and oversaw numerous major high-profile contracts; including Gaylord National Resorts, in Washington, D.C., along with the U.S Mint and the IRS in New York City.

James met the love of his life, Rogeria DaSilva, in 1994; they had a beautiful courtship that led to marriage on October 31, 1996. God blessed their union with four beautiful children: Jahlissa (J.J.), Niyata (Niy), Kailah (Kakes) and Davon (Bib).

"Jay" was a fun-loving person with a dynamic personality who lived life very well. He loved playing cards, listening to music, working on his business ventures, and cooking for his family and friends. His great sense of humor brought smiles to the faces of everyone he came in contact with. James enjoyed good times and wanted everyone to be happy and enjoy life as much as he did. He insta-grammed at least three to four times a day.

James leaves to mourn and cherish his memories, his loving and devoted wife Rogeria, his beloved four children: Jahlissa, Niyata, Kailah and Davon, his loving parents, James and Camellia Johnson, his two loving sisters, Beverly A. Alston (Virginia) and Melissa C. Lee (New Jersey), one brother Howard D. Williams (Florida), one brother-in-law, Anthony "Tony" Lee, one sister-in-law, Melissa Williams, his Aunt Jorene, along with multiple other aunts and uncles, two nieces: Briana and Naya, ten nephews: Derek Jr., Erek, Mark "Timo", Michael W. "Mike", Devon, Anthony "Ant", Michael P., Joseph, Blest, and Mako along with cousins, Sharon and Carla and a host of other relatives and friends.

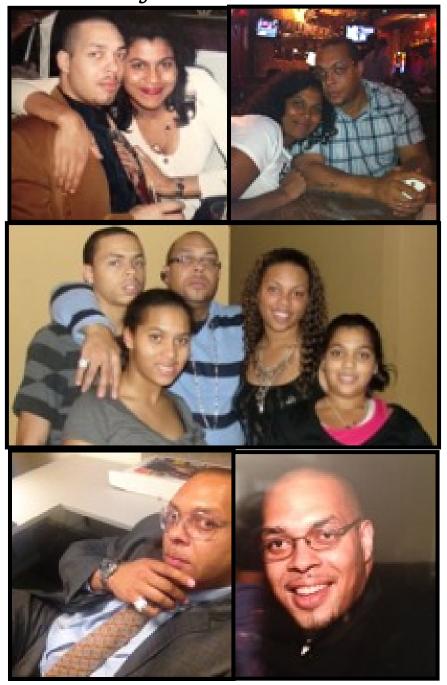
### <u>Order of Obervice</u>

Musical PreludeTravis Anderson
Processional Clergy & Family
PresidingMinister August Williams
InvocationSamantha Edwards
Musical SelectionPraise Ensemble
Scriptures: The Old Testament The New Testament
Musical Selection Praise Ensemble
Tributes & ReflectionsFamily & Friends
Special TributeHoward D. Williams
Reflections of LifeFamily Member
Musical SelectionPraise Ensemble
EulogyPastor Jerry Smith

Recessional

\*Family will greet everyone after the Recessional in the next door Church dining room\*

Loving Husband & Friend



It was such a pleasure and honor to be your wife for more than 16 years. Now it seems that my love of my life has left this world but I will continue to raise our children with your eternal light and undoubting love – for the sake of your memory and your name. I promise that I will continue to pray for strength to do my very best.

My beloved you were the love of my life but it was in God's greater plan to have you return home to Him.



# Devoted Family Man



We will never say goodbye to you, because we know this is not the end for us. We know you are in a place with no pain and suffering. For that we are happy... because you are with God.

You were our best friend, strength and hope, and will forever remain just that in our hearts. We will never experience another type of love like the unconditional one you gave us. Just like unstoppable rain, tears fell down from our eyes and it was our most difficult night when we realized you had departed this life. But we have hope in Jesus Christ because each day forward we can feel your smile in the new day's sunrise.

The greatest gift God gave us was you... Our Dad. It's difficult to let you go – but we must.

We must return the gift God gave us.

May you forever Rest in Peace



# When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you for a little while Please do not grieve and shed wild tears, And hug your sorrows through the years, But start out with a lovely smile;

And for my sake and in my name, Live on and do all things the same. Feed not your loneliness on empty days, But fill each waking hour is useful ways.

Reach out your hand in comfort and cheer, And I in turn will comfort you and hold you near. And never, never be afraid to die, For I am waiting for you in the sky.

> Lovingly Submitted, The Family

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

The Family of the late **James E. Johnson, Jr.** would like to express their appreciation for prayers, cards, well wishes and all acts of kindness shown during their time of bereavement.

Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to:

Llinton-Gurry Funeral Home

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