

In Loving Memory of

Sunrise

April 9, 1942

Sunset

October 14, 2012



Tyrone B. Rodriguez Sr.

Service

Saturday, October 20, 2012 - 9:30 a.m.

ST. HELENA'S CHURCH

1315 Olmstead Avenue • Bronx, NY

Father Thomas B. Derivan, Celebrant

Obituary

Tyrone B. Rodriguez, Sr. was born on April 9, 1942. He was the fifth and youngest child of the late Dorothy and Harold Rodriguez. Tyrone grew up in Harlem and was educated in the Roman Catholic parochial and NYC public school systems.

As a young adult, Tyrone enlisted in the United States Army and he spent much of his service time in Berlin, Germany. He received an honorable discharge from the Army in 1966. Tyrone later entered the NYC Police Academy and trained to become a Police Officer. He was proudly appointed to the NYPD on March 14, 1969 and was assigned to precincts in his beloved Harlem community.

In 1973, Tyrone met the love of his life. He married his wife, Georgianna Rodriguez, on October 3, 1975. The following year he became the very proud father of his son, Tyrone, Jr. He cherished his role as provider and protector of his family. Tyrone and Georgianna renewed their wedding vows at Saint Helena's Church on their 11th and 25th wedding anniversaries.

Tyrone enjoyed spending time with his son and his son's friends. He served as the Assistant Coach on his son's Parkchester Little League Baseball Team and as Scoutmaster to Troop 65 at Saint Helena's Church. He was a mentor and father figure to his nephews, nieces and many of his son's childhood and college friends.

Tyrone retired from the NYPD in 1989 and went on to work in, and later retire from, the security department at Our Lady of Mercy Medical Center. During his retirement, he enjoyed traveling with his wife. He also enjoyed spending the holidays with his immediate family and in-laws enjoying good food, good company and football. The peak of his happiness was simply being in the comfort of his home.

As a result of complications from his long battle with a rare and progressive dementia, Tyrone was admitted to Montefiore Medical Center on August 22, 2012. The Lord gently called him home on Sunday, October 14, 2012.

Tyrone leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved wife Georgianna, son Tyrone, Jr., future daughter-in-law Jennifer Drinkwater, brother Raymond Rodriguez, brothers-in-law James and Kirk O'Neal, sisters-in-law Clara and Peggy O'Neal and, a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

His presence will be missed; however, his spirit, smile and laughter will be remembered in our every tomorrow.

~ Lovingly Submitted by The Family ~

Order of Service

**Mass Of Christian Burial For
Tyrone B. Rodriguez, Sr.
Faithful Parishioner,
Former Scoutmaster, Troop 65**

*St. Helena's Church
October 20, 2012 - 9:30 A.M.*

Celebrant:Rev. Msgr. Thomas B. Derivan

Entrance Hymn.....“Be Not Afraid”

First Reading:Wisdom 3: 1-6

Responsorial Psalm.....Psalm 23: The Lord is my Shepherd

Second Reading:Romans 14: 7-12

Gospel:John 14: 1-6

Offertory Gifts.....presented by family

Offertory Hymn:“Blessed Assurance”

Communion Hymn:.....“You Are Mine”

Recessional Hymn:“Amazing Grace”

**“Well done, good and faithful servant.
Come and share your Master’s joy forever.”**

Interment

George Washington Memorial Park
Paramus, New Jersey

*Fill not your hearts with pain and sorrow,
but remember me in every tomorrow.
Remember the joy, the laughter, the smiles;
I've only gone to rest a little while.
Although my leaving causes pain and grief,
my going has eased my hurt and given me relief.
So dry your eyes and remember me,
not as I am now, but as I used to be.
Because I will remember you all and look on
with a smile. Understand, in your hearts,
I've only gone to rest a little while.
As long as I have the love of each of you,
I can live my life in the hearts of all of you.*

Acknowledgement

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.
God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*



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