

*In Loving Memory  
of*



# *Louis Crawford*

*Sunrise*

March 11, 1940

*Sunset*

October 18, 2012

Service

Tuesday, October 23, 2012 - 4:00 p.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

*Rev. David Jenkins, Organist*

## Obituary

**Louis Fitzroy Crawford** was born in Belize to parents Austin Crawford and Esther Adderly on March 11, 1940. As a young boy Louis went to St. Ignatius Primary School and then later on to St. Johns High School. After high school Louis joined the Belize Volunteer Guards. It was there that Louis found his passion for law enforcement. That passion led Louis to join The Belize Police Force where he served for five years. As a policeman Louis was stationed both in Belize City and in Orange Walk Town.

Like so many people in Belize, at the time, Louis yearned for a life with more opportunities and migrated to the United States in October in 1963; first to California and then shortly after to New York City. In New York Louis worked for the popular moving company, Enterprise Van Lines, for over thirty years.

Louis is predeceased by his common law wife, Elsonie Tescum.

He is survived by: wife, Florine Crawford; nine siblings, Mary Dorsey, Ralph Campbell, Ephraim Campbell, Veronica Campbell, Elbert Flowers, Marva Cadle, Fallet Crawford, Elvis Crawford and Burnell Crawford. Louis also leaves behind ten children, Ruth Layne, Harrison Crawford, Vincent Crawford, Reuben Crawford, Louis Tescum, Lisa Tescum, Lizbeth Crawford, Amanda Johnson, Lydia Tescum Crawford and Thomas Felton. Louis was blessed with seventeen grandchildren, Andrew, Ashley and Anthony Layne, Kendis, Kristen, Brianna, Brittany, Athina, Lyndon, Devon and Zenetha Crawford; Charles Rhaburn, Jamiyla and Julian Tescum, Shari and Christian Codd and Monet Felton. He was also survived by seven great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Song Selection ..... “What A Friend We Have In Jesus”

Scripture: Roman VI ..... Andrew Layne, grandson

Prayer: 23rd Psalm ..... Louis Tescum, son

Song Selection ..... “Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

Remarks ..... Ephraim Campbell, brother

Obituary ..... Nicole Cadle, niece

Eulogy ..... Marva Cadle, niece

Song Selection ..... “It Is Well” - Last Viewing

Recessional

## **Final Disposition**

Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York

## *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 peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the 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.  
Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

*-author unknown*

## *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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