

*In Loving Memory of*



# **Charles L. X. Highsmith**

**Sunrise**

*October 13, 1960*

**Sunset**

*October 18, 2012*

**“Memorial Service”**

*Wednesday, October 24, 2012 - 6:00 p.m.*

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

*Apostle Brenda Thomas, Officiating*

*Walt Sorey, Organist*

## Obituary



**Charles Lawrence Highsmith** was born October 13, 1960 in Newark, NJ to the late William Highsmith and Fannie (Wright) Highsmith. Charles departed this life peacefully on October 18, 2012.

On September 1, 1991, Charles was united in Holy Matrimony to the lovely Ruth E. Alston, and from this union came their beautiful daughter Fuchsia T. Alston-Highsmith.

Charles attended Oliver Street School, and East Side High School in Newark, NJ. He studied drafting, and he was also a great architectural graphic designer specifically in the area of structures, but he was also talented in the area of whatever he put his mind to. Charles was also a great debater, philosopher, and writer of poetry he was well read, loved movies, and history. Charles was employed by the US Postal Service as a mail handler/forklift driver for eighteen years, and retired due to his illness in 2009.

In 1991 Charles became a member of Dunamis Ministries Intl., in Philadelphia, PA under the leadership of his sister-in-law Apostle Brenda Thomas. Upon his illness Charles rededicated his life to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to the church, also during inspirational conversation with his Pastor he made mention of his call into the ministry, and his desire to do his share of spreading the Gospel.

Charles leaves behind: his daughter, Fuchsia Alston-Highsmith; his ex-wife, Ruth E. Alston (Philadelphia, PA); sister, Iris Ensley, (Willingboro, NJ); two brothers, Leland (Toledo, Ohio) and William (Newark, NJ); a Goddaughter, Jazmine Moore (Jersey City, NJ); and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Ecclesiastes 3: 1-11

*Min. Jonathan Bohler*

New Testament - John 14: 1-7

*Joseph Bohler*

Prayer

*Pastor Mary Price*

Selection - Special Tribute

*Fuschia T. Highsmith*

Acknowledgement (*2 minimum please*) Cards & Condolences

Obituary

*Evangelist Nicole Thomas*

Selection

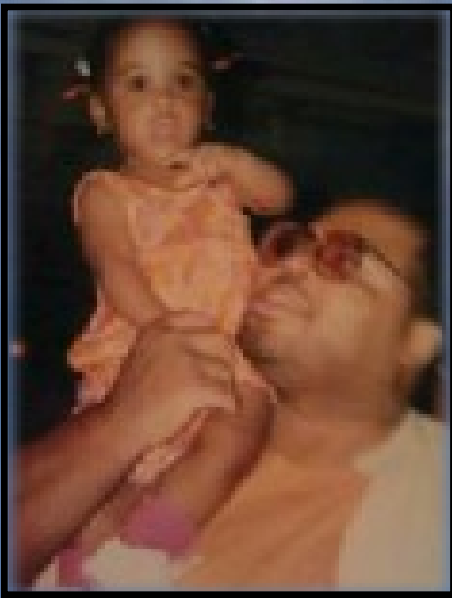
*Pastor Vanessa Bohler*

Eulogy

*Apostle Brenda Thomas (Dunamis Ministries International)*

Recessional





Dear Daddy, I miss u seems like just yesterday I was with you & I can't say everything between us was good but I know it wasn't too bad & no matter what you will always be my dad. I understand why you had to go but I just want you know that I'll miss u forever & the only thing that really keeps me together is

the fact that you are definitely somewhere better, and while your gone many will long to see your face but yet mine they will embrace. In me there will be through God's grace your DNA which is hard to erase Daddy I'm simply saying, I will always remain in your image, in your likeness by His mercy and grace.

Love Always & Forever, Your Munchkin

*Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever

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