### My Other Son

When I first saw you with that puffy pony tail and later the long braids, little did I know you would eventually become my son in-law. Something about you touched my heart. As we grew closer the bond was not that of mother in-law and son in-law, it was more of mother and son.

Although you are no longer here physically, I continue to feel your hugs, hear your laughter and I hear your voice say "good morning ma".

Love you always,
Your other mother



I'm sorry I had to leave you. My loved ones, oh so dear. But you see, the Master called me, His voice was very clear! I had made my reservation A heaven bound ticket for one, And I knew that He would call me When He felt my work was done. I know that your hearts are heavy Because I have gone away, But when the Master called me, I knew that I could not stay. Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you My loved ones, oh so dear, But, you see, the Master called me And, now I'm resting here. Yes, I've crossed on over to glory And to you all I say Just stay in the hands of Jesus And we'll meet again someday.

-Author unknown

### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

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 the

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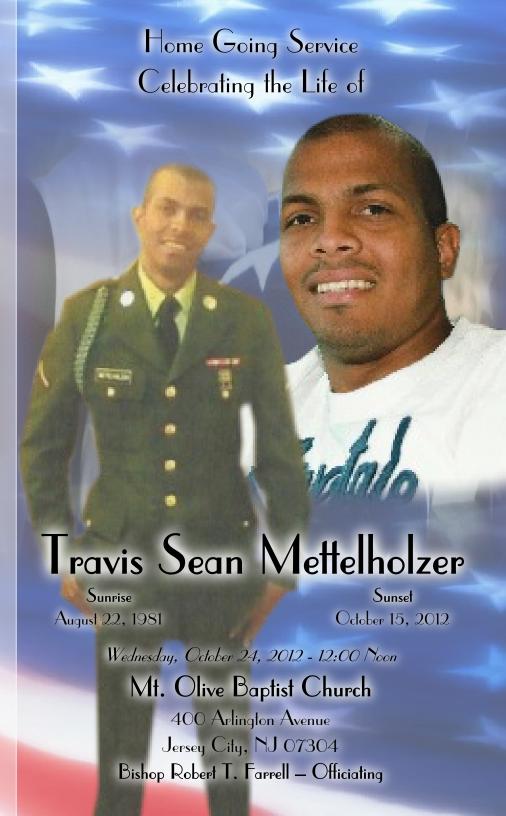
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# Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Processional

Musical Selection/ Hymn

Scripture Reading
Old Testament – Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
New Testament – John 3:16

**Musical Selection** 

Remarks

Acknowledgements

**Obituary Readings** 

**Musical Selections** 

Eulogy ......Bishop Robert T. Farrell

Recessional



#### Interment

Rosemount Memorial Park Elizabeth, New Jersey

## Obituary

**Travis Sean Mettelholzer** also known as "Traffic"; took his first breath on Saturday August 22, 1981 in Georgetown, Guyana. He was the first born and only son to loving parents Wickham and Roxanna Mittelholzer.

As a child, Travis was most described as a playful, active and adventurous person and carried those characteristics into his adulthood. He enjoyed playing games of any kind. Besides clowning around, Travis did "his" best in school and was able to attend one of the top high schools in Guyana, St. Rose's High School. Due to his hands on skills, Travis left St. Rose's to attended Georgetown Technical Institute where he obtained a certificate in carpentry. He later obtained a position at the National Insurance Scheme until he migrated to The United States in 2000. Travis was employed at Apex Xpress in New York and New Jersey for five years prior to joining the military.

In 2001, Travis met Sonia Joseph and from this relationship he was blessed with his first child Kishan. This was one of the best moments of his life and Travis was so proud to become the father of a handsome baby boy.

On October 4, 2005, Travis married the love of his life Shavon Airey. From this union one child was born – Trinity – who he affectionately referred to as "Mini Me". Travis also stepped in to become the loving step-father of Ashley Pinckney, who was only three years old at the time of her parents union.

In 2009, Trav made the decision to enlist into the United States Army as an Airborne Infantryman and served a tour in Afghanistan in 2010. He enjoyed his life as a soldier and loved serving his country. While in the service Travis was awarded an Afghanistan Campaign Medal with star, an Army Achievement Medal, a National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, an Army Service Ribbon, an Overseas Service Ribbon, a Nato Campaign Medal and Jump Wings. In July 2012 he was honorable discharged from the military and immediately enrolled in college with dreams of becoming an electrical engineer. He was a student at Hudson County Community College at the time of his untimely passing.

Travis was a high spirited person who never made an enemy in his life, and he left his mark in the hearts of all people he came into contact with. Despite his trials and tribulations, Trav always had a smile upon his face and tried to make the best of the worst situation.

Travis was called home to be with the Lord on October 15th, 2012.

Preceding him in death was his grandmother Mildred Stephanie Elcock, whom he considered his best friend and the only person he ever felt who truly understood him. "Granny" as he lovingly referred to her would always recite to him "I behold the Christ in You" and still in his adulthood he held tight to those words helping him get through tough times.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his loving wife Shavon Mettelholzer, one son Kishan, one daughter Trinity and one step-daughter Ashley Pinckney. His parents Wickham and Roxanna Mittelholzer, two sisters Marisa and Melissa, mother in-law Brenda (mommy) Airey, sister in-law Nicole Ralph (Mackey), Brother in-law Aaron Airey and a host of uncles, aunts, nephews, cousins and extended family members and friends.

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