

*Homegoing Service To Welcome  
My Beloved Father Into Heaven*



*Gerald Edward Boyd*

*Sunrise*  
August 29, 1949

*Sunset*  
April 22, 2013

Service

Thursday, May 2, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS INC.**

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY

*Pastor Jimmy Glover, Officiating*

*Johnathan Burrell, Organist*

## Obituary

August 29<sup>th</sup> 1949, Harry Boyd Sr. and Emma Boyd gave birth to **Gerald Edward Boyd**. He is the fifth child in the Boyd family. His siblings are Harry Jr. (deceased), Blanche (deceased), Jimmy (deceased), Betty, Robert (deceased), Jimmy and the youngest Bonnie.

Gerald attended Taft High School and graduated with honors. He also was educated at the college of New Rochelle. After college, he became a Correction Officer. On March 19, 1970, Gerald Boyd and Rosemary Simmons gave birth to Gerald's first child, Sberald Boyd.

He is survived by: his loving children, Sberald, Richard, Rachael (deceased) and David; he is also survived by his grandchildren, Charleton, Wayne, Dashania, Armana and Cassandra; he also helped raise his nieces and nephews, Chestina, George, Monica, Monique and Shelearne; as well as other family members. He also loved his great-nieces and nephews, Walkie, Imani, Adele, Matty, Manny, Mikey, Maleek, Timmy, Charlie and Tony; he also loved luxury cars and basketball. Gerald was a Christian and made sure he taught his nieces and nephews about Jesus as they grew up. He is now in heaven with his daughter, Rachael and other family members. He was very close to his grandchild, Dashania, Rachael's daughter. He also taught her a lot about Jesus and biblical times. Gerald took to Dashania as his own daughter and cared for her when Rachael had become ill.

Gerald will be truly missed. To most of his family, he was a role model, father figure and close friend. His caring character was appreciated by many and he will never be forgotten.

# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

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Eulogy

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

## **Interment**

Mt. Rest Cemetery  
Butler, New Jersey

# *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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