



"Let George do it."

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Sunrise September 14, 1922

Sunset July 22, 2013

Service Thursday, August 1, 2013 - 6:00 p.m.

MOTHER A.M.E. ZION CHURCH 140-6 West 137th Street • New York, NY

Reverend Cecil Muschett, Officiating Minister

<u>Obituary</u>

George Nathaniel Lyons was born to Alfred Lyons and Alfonso Walker-Byfield on September 14, 1922 in Mount Airy in the parish of St. Andrew, Jamaica. George migrated to the United States as a young man in the early 1940's and settled in New York City.

During his lifetime, George had several occupations. He worked as a carpenter, a cab driver and a barber. He loved his life as a barber and took great pride in his skill as a barber. He was a people person and owning his barbershop gave him the opportunity to interact with many, many people every day of his life. George's barbershop, located in Harlem was the gathering place for so many people for decades upon decades.

During his early years, George loved to play the saxophone and often boasted about playing his sax at Carnegie Hall and loved playing at various venues during his lifetime.

George was the father of six children. He was a loving, kindhearted, hardworking provider for his family. He loved his children and his grandchildren and has touched each of their lives in a very special way.

He was predeceased by his daughter, Janet Arias, and son, Lawrence Lyons. He leaves to mourn his passing his children, Douglas Davis (Ruby), Betty Dukes (Nelson), Charles Lyons, and Susan Ankle; his nephew, Gaston Pulliam and niece, Georgia Cooper; his grandchildren, Monica, Charlotte, Charles, Rosaline, Latasha, Ashley, Stacy, Kimberly, Dana, Lucas, Ethan, Hassan, Omar, Mary, and Angelle; his first cousins, Daisy Robie-Hedge and Olive Robie, Neville Hedge and many other cousins.

He was one in a million, blessed with longevity, health, strength and a sound mind until the very end. Our Father God called him home to rest and George would not want us to mourn his death but to celebrate his life. WE LOVE YOU DEARLY, May your soul rest in eternal peace.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Soloist Evangelist Margaret Respass – Meggett

Acknowledgements

Honoring Dad Mrs. Susan Ankle

Remarks

Obituary Reading By Kimberly Lyons

Selection

Eulogy *Reverend Cecil Muschett, Associate Minister*

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Final Disposition

Oxford Hills Crematory Chester, New York

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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

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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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