

**Pall Bearers**

Family and Friends of **Robert Edward Nicholas, Jr.**



**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 is 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 place at the close of day*

*If my parting has left a void  
Then fill it with remembering joy  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss  
Ah yes these things I to will miss*

*Be not burdened with time of sorrow  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow  
My life's been full, I've savored much  
Good friends' good times, a loved one's touch*

*Perhaps my time seemed all to 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**

**Acknowledgement**

The family of **Robert Edward Nicholas, Jr.** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every expression of love and support that we have received during this our hour of bereavement.

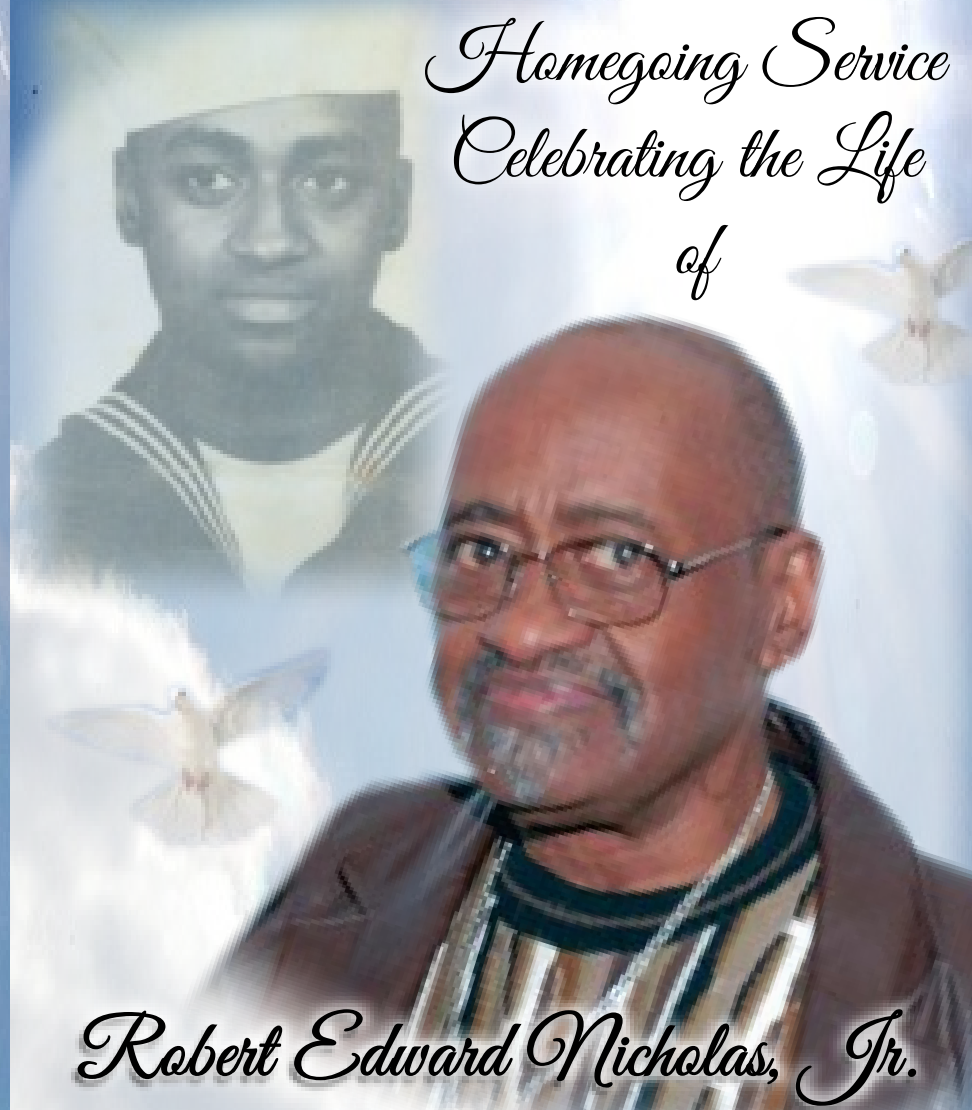
We will always keep you in our prayers.

May God continue to richly bless you.



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*Homegoing Service  
Celebrating the Life  
of*



*Robert Edward Nicholas, Jr.*

*Sunrise*

October 3, 1941  
Glen Ridge, New Jersey

*Sunset*

August 29, 2013  
Englewood, New Jersey

**Service**

Saturday, September 7, 2013 ~ 11:00 a.m.  
Visitation: 10:00 – 11:00 a.m.

**Bright Hope Baptist Church**  
6 Mission Street  
Montclair, New Jersey  
*Rev. Charles H. Kelly, Pastor*

# Order of Service

Processional... "Fill My Cup" .....St. Paul's Baptist Church Adult Choir

Organ Prelude

A Parting View

Selection..... "Call Him Up" .....St. Paul's Baptist Church Adult Choir

Scriptures .....Iris Ramos

Old Testament: Psalm 121

New Testament: II Corinthians 4:16-18

Prayer of Comfort .....Bishop Andre Jackson

Family Tribute .....Rev. Shonda D. Nicholas

Acknowledgment of Condolences..... Letitia Davenport

Obituary .....Edward Nicholas

Solo ..... "Take Me To The King" .....Jacquelyn Graham

Eulogy .....Rev. Charles H. Kelly, Pastor

Recessional .. "Going Up To Yonder" ..St. Paul's Baptist Church Adult Choir

## Cremation

Rosedale Crematory  
Orange, New Jersey

*Immediately following the Interment, Family and Friends are invited to  
Bright Hope Youth Center, 140-142 Bloomfield Avenue,  
Montclair, New Jersey (Corner of New Street and Bloomfield Avenue)  
where a repast will be held.*

*Services Entrusted To:*

**G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC**

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# Remembering Nick

**Robert Edward Nicholas, Jr., "Nick" or "Nicaemus"** as he was affectionately called by his friends, was born on October 3, 1941 in Mountainside Hospital, Glen Ridge, New Jersey, the son of the late Robert and Leanora Nicholas. He resided in the Township of Montclair. Orphaned at an early age, he was raised by his aunt, Elsie Nicholas with her children.

Nick attended the Montclair Public School System. During his junior and senior high school years, he was an outstanding track star and set many school records. He was also on the Football team, and played in the Drum and Bugle Corps. It was during that time that he met his childhood sweetheart, Katherine "Pie" Malone.

At the age of seventeen, Nick joined the United States Navy and served his country for eight years, four in active duty and four in the reserves. During his tour of duty, he went to Italy, Spain, Greece and Cuba to name a few, including ports in the United States. In his first year in the Navy, he married Katherine. To this union five children were born: Tonya, who is deceased, Edward, Dorothy, Shonda and Robert.

After being honorably discharged from the Navy, Nick worked for several companies: Pine Brook Salvage, Egan's Garbage Collectors, Kline Department Store, and Saint Vincent's Hospital. He was also a Substitute Bus Driver for Head Start. In 1967, he began working for Essex County Overbrook Hospital in Cedar Grove, New Jersey. He gave thirty-four years of dedicated service to the hospital center, initially as a Laundry Man, and later transferred to the transportation department as a Driver. He was ultimately promoted to Transportation Supervisor; he held this position until his retirement in June 2001.

Nick loved sports and always supported all of his family's sports activities such as track and field, softball, football and basketball. For a while, he coached the Red Caps Women's Softball Team. In his early days, he played Softball with the Green Caps, and Touch Football with the Willow Raiders and the DLV Raiders.

In 1985, Nick was initiated into the Prince Hall Masons and became a member of Samson Lodge #66. In 1987, he was initiated into the Shriner's Galconda Temple #24 Desert of Newark and joined the James L. Robinson Shrine Club.

In addition, Nick also belonged to the Shooters Club, where he served as President, and was a member of the Astro Club, both of Montclair. He was a former member of the Montclair Grass Roots Association.

On Thursday, August 29, 2013, God knew that Nick was tired and took him safely home.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife of fifty-two years, Katherine Nicholas; five children, Edward, Robert Lamont and Shonda Nicholas, Dorothy Nicholas-Ramos and Toni Williamson; sister, Marsha Nicholas-Walker; brother, Richard Nicholas, four grandchildren, Na-Tasha Cunningham, Nicholas Burk, Robert L. Nicholas, Jr., Khaliyah and Kianna Williamson; two great-grandchildren: Jayden Cunningham and Janell Burke; two daughters-in-law, Lisa (Sue) Brockenbaugh - Nicholas and Iris Ramos; three godchildren, Maya, Myles and Malia Nicholson; nieces, nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Lovingly submitted,  
The Family

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