

James Shephard

Sunrise May 11, 1932 Sunset September 14, 2013

Friday, September 20, 2013 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC. 2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027 Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr., Officiating Brvon Neal, Organist

<u>Obituary</u>

James Shephard, was born on May 11, 1932, to the parents of the late Susana and Charles Shephard in Burnwell, SC.

As a teen his family relocated to New York City. In Manhattan he met the love of his life, Eva Mae Gatling, in 1978 and they lived together in Manhattan until his passing on September 14, 2013.

James was a fun and loving person. He loved his family and friends dearly. Although, he didn't have any children of his own, his nieces and nephews loved him dearly.

James had seven more siblings, four sisters, and three brothers. James has only one surviving sibling, his sister, Cindy Johnson.

James was employed by a garment company for fifteen years, and also for a carpet cleaning company for fifteen years. Until he retired in 2005.

He now joins in heaven his father and mother, Charles and Susana Shephard, two brothers, Charles Shephard Jr. and Frank, four sisters, Beatrice, Dot, Minnie and Punk, three nieces, Alberta, Bernice and Elise, two nephews, Isadora Jr. and Stanley.

He leaves to mourn; his love of his life for thirty-five years, Eva; his sister, Cindy; nieces, Barbara, Carolyn, Ethel, Evelyn, Gerri, Laverne, and Linda.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary *Gerri Davis*

Selection

Eulogy *Rev. Nelson C. Dukes, Jr.*

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Maple Grove Cemetery Hackensack, New Jersey

REPAST

ON SEPTEMBER 21, 2013 AT 1945 AMSTERDAM AVE. APT 19B. FROM 3-9 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME.

The Master Called

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>

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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