

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

Acknowledgements

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 part.

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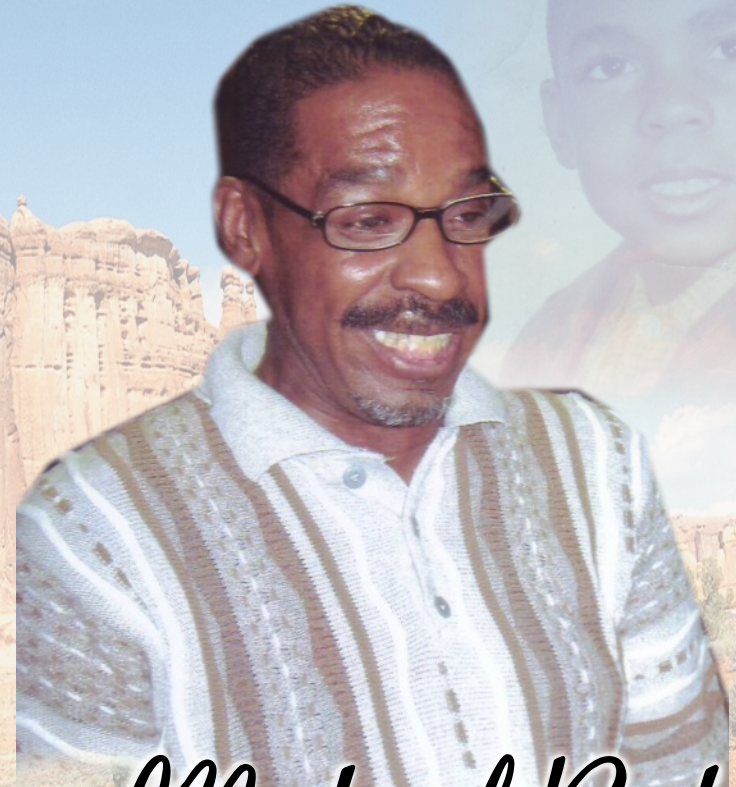
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In Loving Memory

of



Michael Reddick

Sunrise

November 5, 1955

Sunset

October 17, 2013

Homegoing Service

Monday, October 21, 2013 - 11:00 a.m.

Tabernacle Baptist Church

675 South 20th Street
Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Jeffrey Bryan, Officiating
Emory Lee, Officiating

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Emory Lee

Opening Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Psalm 27

New Testament - St. John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Rev. Jeffery Bryan

Selection

Acknowledgement / Resolutions

Remarks (2 minutes please)

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Thomas Reddick

Recessional

Cremation

Rosedale Crematory
Orange, New Jersey

Obituary

Michael Reddick was born in Newark, New Jersey to Essie Mae Reddick and James Reddick.

Michael attended elementary and high school in Newark before transferring to Irvington Technical High School. After receiving his diploma, he joined the United States Army in 1974. He was stationed at various bases throughout the United States and was honorably discharged in 1977.

Michael worked at several Newark area companies until 1990 when he was seriously injured after being hit by a car. He suffered serious leg and back injuries. As a result of the serious back and leg injuries he was placed on permanent disability.

Growing up the "Captain", as he was known throughout the neighborhood for his outgoing personality and humor, his musical talents (clarinet), his bird and pigeon collection (He loved the way pigeons would flip) and his derby and impeccable dress. In fact he was known as one of the coolest cat's in the neighborhood.

Michael enjoyed family gatherings, taking things apart-before trying to put them back the way they were if not better and the 1970 era. Family and friends would always joke how he was "struck in the 70's". He would entertain the family with his latest adventure in the way only he could.

In his spare time he volunteered at various community groups, non-profit organizations and the Renaissance Church of Newark.

Michael was preceded in death by his father, James Reddick.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his mother Essie Mae Reddick; three brothers, Larry (Sharon), Nasir Bilaal and James Corey Reddick; three sisters, Sheila Reddick, Kareemah Shabazz and Regina (Kevin) Rouse; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

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