

*Celebrating the
Life of a
Remarkable
Man*



Oscar Devoe Harrison, Jr.

First Base

November 29, 1945

Home Plate

November 18, 2013

Monday, November 25, 2013 - 12:00 Noon

METROPOLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH

149 Springfield Avenue • East Orange, New Jersey

Reverend Dr. David Jefferson, Pastor

Reverend Dr. Bernard Wilks, Officiating

Precious Memories



Oscar's Obituary



From First Base to Home Plate, Oscar was a Remarkable man.....

On November 29, 1945, a baby boy arrived on earth. He was sent special delivery from Heaven above. Before sending him below, the Heavenly Father held him close to His heart, sealed him with a kiss and a promise "I will never forsake or leave you, my child. My heavenly goodness, grace and mercy will always follow you..."

The baby boy arrived in VA, to his parents, Arlisher Harrison and the late Oscar Harrison, Sr. He grew up to have qualities of wisdom, respect, dignity, integrity and love deeply embedded in him. As the baby grew, he continued to possess his God-given qualities. He later was joined by two brothers, Orlando and Herbert and his sister, Arleatha, whom he fondly called "Sis." Then more sisters, Cynthia, Crystal and Willma Harrison Carey.

Throughout his childhood years, to those of an adult, Oscar never gave his parents any problems or trouble. Oscar was a soft spoken, quiet but fun filled gentleman who loved to keep family, friends, co-workers, and his beloved baseball teammates. Oscar entertained with his friendly conversations. His co-workers gave him the nickname of the "Mayor". He possessed deep knowledge on multiply topics and loved using his computer to continue furthering his knowledge.

Oscar was an exceptionally devoted husband, father and grandfather he delighted in doing everything for his wife, children and grands. His grands and their friends lovingly called him "Pop". Oscar took them everywhere in his van, which they named "Pop Mobile".

Oscar loved baseball !!! He played on three different teams. Being with his teammates gave him great joy. If you ever wanted to talk about baseball, Oscar was the person to go to. Baseball was his favorite sport and hobby.

Oscar accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized at Metropolitan Baptist Church under leadership of the late B.F. Johnson. It was at Metropolitan Church that Oscar met and married Shirley, the love of his life. To this beautiful union Oscar and Shirley had three children, Michelle, Cheryl and Leon.

Oscar's foot prints had covered first, second and third base. Throughout Oscar's life, he never forgot that God was his strength in all situations. Oscar spoke how thankful he was that God loved him. On November 18, 2013 our beloved Oscar hit his final Heavenly home run.

He leaves to cherish his wonderful memories: his lovingly wife, Shirley; his children, Michelle H. Nelms (Eric Nelms), Cheryl H. Gilbert (Daryle Gilbert) and Leon Harrison; grandchildren, Ashley, Nicole, Dmitri, Kyle, Bryce and Eric Jr.; and great grandson, Ashuan; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Processional.....Clergy and Family

Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Proverbs 3:5-10.....Deacon Kenneth Green

New Testament - Ephesians 6:10.....Deacon Harold Jefferson

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Dr. Bernard Wilkes

Solo..... *“May The Work I’ve Done Speak For Me”*
Doris McNeil

Acknowledgements, Cards, Telegrams and Other Expressions

Expression of Love

Fond Remembrances.....Michelle Harrison Nelms (Daughter)

Oscar’s Former Co-Workers

Oscar’s Baseball Players

Arleatha “Sis” (Sister)

Dmitri (Grandson)

Solo..... *“I Won’t Complain”*
Doris McNeil

Obituary

Solo..... *“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”*

Eulogy.....Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.

Benediction.....Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.

Recessional.....Clergy and Family

Interment

Graceland Memorial Park
Kenilworth, New Jersey

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!
God had already 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.*

Acknowledgement

*The family of Oscar Harrison, Jr. Acknowledges
with sincere appreciation the prayers, love, cards and so
many acts of kindness. Oscar's illness and homegoing.*

May God bless you for your support to us.

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