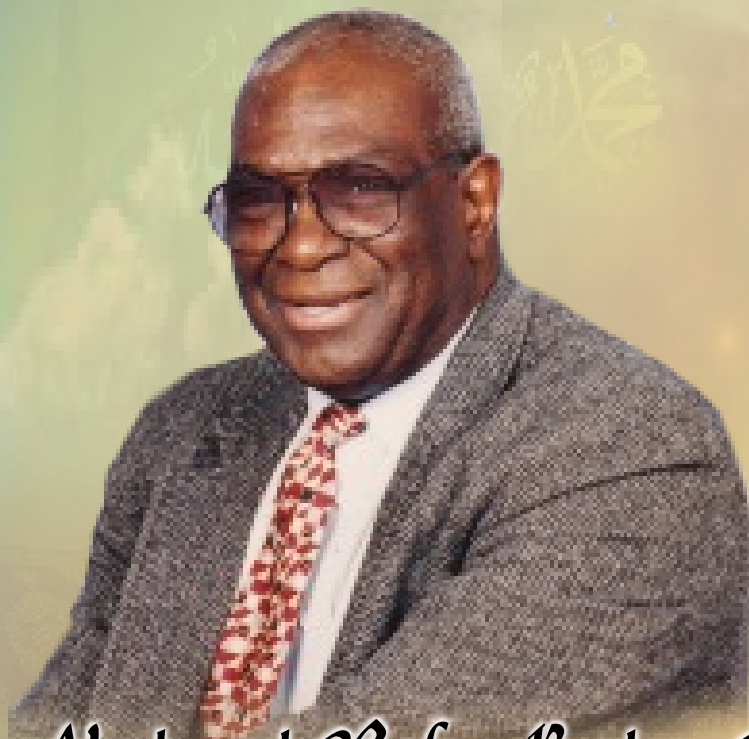


*In Loving Memory of*



*Nathaniel Rufus Bailey, Jr.*  
*(Muhammad)*

*Sunrise*

September 23, 1934

*Sunset*

March 9, 2014

Service

Wednesday, March 12, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.

**METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

1975 Madison Avenue • New York, NY

*Minister Abdul Hafeez Muhammad, Officiating*

## Obituary

**Nathaniel Rufus Bailey, Jr., (Muhammad)**, was born on September 23, 1934, in Harlem, New York. He, along with his siblings, Gerald and Myra, had the privilege of being raised by two loving parents, Nathaniel and Ruth Bailey, all of whom preceded him in death. Nathaniel departed this life on March 9, 2014, while at Muhammad #7 in Harlem, New York.

Nathaniel was educated in the New York City Public School System. He served our Country by joining the United States Marine Corp and enlisting for four years. He left the United States Marine Corp with an Honorable discharge.

Nathaniel met and fell in love with his wife, Delphine Bailey, and they married in 1959. It was from that union that they had their four sons, Nathaniel, Daniel, Rodney and Clifford. Delphine preceded Nathaniel in death in 1989.

Nathaniel then met and fell in love with Nicole Bailey, and they married in 1993. Nathaniel enjoyed his life and he especially loved living his life as a Muslim. He was an active member of the Nation of Islam since 1964. He received the Muslim name Muhammad in 1996, which he wore proudly. He was well-respected by the Muslim community. He was a humble man and extremely personable to those who knew him and those he didn't know. The one thing he loved the most was being around family and friends.

Nathaniel worked for the New York City Transit Authority for over 30 years before retiring and, in 1996, Nathaniel joined his wife Nicole in opening the Learning Tree Multicultural School in Queens, New York, which serves children from Pre-K through Eighth Grade. Nathaniel loved working with the children. He served as Dean of Students, taught African-American Studies to grades fifth through eighth, and was the physical education instructor to all grade levels.

Nathaniel leaves to cherish his memory: four sons, Nathaniel Rufus Bailey, III, Daniel Andrew Bailey, Rodney Archibald Bailey and Clifford Omar Bailey; one stepson, James McLean; four daughters-in-law, Monica, Tanisha, Yvette and Kym; eleven grandchildren, Imani, Jarrell, Niashia, Meagan, Kyra, Kimora, Nigel, Kyman, Jaelynn, Nadiya and Jamesia; five sisters-in-law, Louise Bethea, Rona Maybank, Debra Buie, Grace Glover and Alma Gilbert; three brothers-in-law, Carl McDougal, Archie Maybank and Ralph Glover; first cousins, Harold Brown, Winnie Sutton and Debbie Speller; nieces, Cherylann, Leetta, Renee, Diane, Monique, Valerie, Tracey, and Susie; nephews, John, Kevin, Leslie and Michael; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Nathaniel will truly be missed. His thoughtfulness, generosity and love for his family and friends will be his legacy.

Lovingly submitted by Nicole, Nathaniel, Daniel, Rodney, Clifford and James, Nathaniel's wife and sons.

# Order of Service

Janazah Prayer Service

Obituary

Message of Janazah

Prayer Service

Passing of Mints

Final Respects

## Interment

Greenfield Cemetery  
Hempstead, New York

# The Holy Quran

Al-Fatihah (The Opening Chapter)

1. With the Name of *ALLAH*,  
Most Gracious, Most Merciful.
2. Praise be to *ALLAH*, The  
Cherisher  
And Sustainer of the Worlds:  
3. Most Gracious, Most Merciful;  
4. Master of the Day of  
Judgement.  
5. Thee do we worship,  
And Thine aid we seek.  
6. Show us the straight way.  
7. The way of those on whom  
Thou has bestowed Thy Grace,  
Those whose (portion) is not wrath  
and who go not astray. Amen.

## صَلَاة

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
الحمد لله الذي هدانا لهذا  
والذي كنا لنهتدي لولا أن هدانا الله  
والذي هدانا الله لنكون  
نفسه الراضية مستغفرة  
استغفروا ربنا المستغفرون  
والذي هدانا الله لنكون  
الذين هم صوابهم  
صلى الله عليه وسلم  
بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم  
صلى الله عليه وسلم  
بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم



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The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour.  
May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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