

# Home Going Service for

**Sunrise**

*April 23, 1922*



**Sunset**

*September 8, 2014*



## Deacon Ulysses Abrams

**Service**

*Saturday, September 13, 2014 - 11:00 a.m.*

**ST. PAUL'S BAPTIST CHURCH**

22 Aspen Place • Passaic, New Jersey 07055

*Bishop André C. Alston, Officiating*

*Ron Foster, Organist*

# Obituary

**Deacon Ulysses Abrams**, known as “Pop” joined the Heavenly Choir on September 8, 2014 from the Chestnut Hill Nursing Home. His journey began on April 23, 1922 in Bibb County, Macon Georgia. He and his brother James were the only two sons born to Jessi and Claude Abrams. On January 5, 1944 in Jeffersonville Georgia he married Elizabeth Slocumb, where this union brought three children: Melvin, Patricia, Sharee and a step son Charles Fred Slocumb.

Deacon Ulysses Abrams received his formal education at BS Ingram Grade School, Macon, Georgia. His spiritual journey started at The First Baptist Church, and later the Mt. Olive Baptist Church under the late Pastor E.S. Evans all in Macon, Georgia.

He excelled in art and loved to draw, but before following this love he decided to serve his country. In 1942, he joined the United States Army. Even though he voluntarily joined the military, Deacon Abrams had to experience segregation by being attached to the 999<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Battalion (all Black unit) stationed at Camp Durham, North Carolina. During this tour he was a part of the “D-Day” invasion and was stationed in Germany, France and England. He received an honorable discharge in 1946.

On January 20, 1950, he picked up his love for drawing and enrolled in the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Art. While attending school he accepted employment with the Whippany Paper Company, the Botany Mills Company (9 nine years); the General Manufacturing Company, (25 years), and completed his work experience at the Passaic Board of Education, serving as a custodian of Jefferson School #11 (25 years) until retirement.

Deacon Abrams joined the St. Paul Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend Lucius Walker and was ordained as a Deacon. He truly loved to praise God and truly loved to sing. As a result, Deacon Abrams was moved by the Spirit of God to join the Male Chorus at St. Paul Baptist Church, which was organized by Deacon Prince Carter.

Deacon Prince Carter shared his conversation with Deacon Abrams that the Lord told him to place the leadership skills and office of President to Deacon Ulysses Abrams where he held the position of President from inception until his death. They sung under the musicianship of Louise Odell until her death. Ms. Odell’s departure created a serious void in music accompaniment. Taking the lead, Deacon Abrams along with the Male Chorus searched high and low and decided to continue to praise God with no music accompaniment. Under his leadership they joined the Male Chorus Association of New Jersey where he has served as President and Treasurer.

Deacon Abrams spiritual guidance transcends generations of people to include his own family of whom he greatly loved. He is preceded in death by his wife, Deaconess Elizabeth Abrams, and his two sons Charles Fred Slocumb and Melvin Abrams.

He also leaves to cherish his memory: two daughters, Patricia D. Abrams, Clifton, New Jersey, and Rev. Sharee E. Abrams, Hillsborough, New Jersey; Grandchildren, Deacon Charles Slocumb, (Katrina) Slocumb, Jacksonville, Florida; Deborah Slocumb, Brandon, Florida; and Charles Abrams, Clifton, New Jersey; Great Grandchildren, Keyanna S. Mincey, Brandon, Florida; Khatira Slocumb, Atlanta, Georgia; and Great Great Grandchildren, Kingston J. Pugh and Mason Riley Abrams; and a very dear cousin Erma Pitts, Macon, Georgia.

# Precious Memories



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# Order Service

Prelude

Processional

Hymn

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Resolutions and Acknowledgement.....Deborah Slocumb

Expressions from Family.....Deacon Charles Slocumb

Selection

Obituary.....Deborah Slocumb

Selection

Eulogy.....Bishop A.C. Alston

Recessional



**Interment**  
Brigadier General William C. Veterans Cemetery  
Wrightstown, New Jersey







**Dall Bearets**

*The Male Chapter Association  
of St. Paul's Baptist Church Passaic, NJ*



*As a tribute to my Dad and his love for God and  
Singing, the Abrams Family would like his closing  
chapter on Earth to be one of his Favorite Songs:*

*I'm gonna view that Holy City,  
I'm gonna view that Holy City  
one of these days, Hallelujah  
I'm gonna view that Holy City,  
I'm gonna view that Holy City,  
Sit at the Welcome Table,  
Feast on milk and Honey,  
See my Loving Mother,  
Tell all about my Trouble,  
Sing and never get tired one of these Days.*

***NOW DAD SING  
YOUR HEART OUT!!!!***

## **Acknowledgements**

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love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

*May God Bless and Keep You!*

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