

**CELEBRATING THE LIFE JOURNEY  
OF  
BROTHER ALONZO ARRINGTON**

*Alonzo began the race on February 20, 1941  
And finished his course on December 27, 2014*

**A**  
*New Journey  
Begins...*

Friday, January 2, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

**Mount Bethel Baptist Church**  
399 South Broad Street  
Ridgewood, N.J. 07450  
**Pastor Thomas Johnson, Officiating**

# Reflections of Life

**Brother Alonzo Arrington**, a resident of Paterson NJ, entered peacefully into Eternal rest on Saturday, December 27<sup>th</sup> 2014 at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center, with family members at his bedside.

Alonzo was born on February 20, 1941 in Enfield, NC to the late George Hardy and Claudia McDaniel.

Alonzo attended and graduated from the public school system in Enfield, NC. He began his Christian journey at Wayman, AME Church in Enfield. He later moved to New York City where he met and married Josephine Steward. They settled in Paterson, NJ and Alonzo eventually became a member of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church in Ridgewood, NJ.

Alonzo retired in 2007 from Millers Electric. Prior to that he worked at Electro Scan in Garfield, NJ for over 25 years. Alonzo began his working career at Superior Electronics in Clifton, NJ in 1966.

In Alonzo's younger years he enjoyed dancing and racing cars. He served as a devoted mentor to the men and women of Paterson, NJ, encouraging them to reach their personal goals. He loved to cook comfort foods, especially soup and home fries for the grandchildren. During his retirement Alonzo enjoyed relaxing, watching car racing and of course Judge Judy☺ God blessed Alonzo with a wonderful life and a loving family.

Alonzo was preceded in death by his father George Hardy, Mother Claudia McDaniel, and sister Claudette McDaniel.

He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Josephine Arrington of Paterson, NJ; his children, Angela Pittman of Sicklerville, NJ; Vincent Arrington (Marla) of Paterson, NJ; and Terra Arrington of Jersey City, NJ; two grandchildren, Alexis and Alex Arrington of Paterson, NJ; two aunts, Marie Wilkins of Enfield, NC and Joyce Williams of Paterson, NJ; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors who will cherish his memory for years to come.

# Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE

PRESIDING.....Reverend Gloria Nobles

PROCESSIONAL.....#248 Hold to God's Unchanging Hand

INVOCATION

MUSICAL SELECTION.....Congregation

SCRIPTURES

Old Testament: Psalm 23

New Testament: Romans 8: 35-39

PRAYER OF COMFORT .....Minister Russel Graham

PRAYER HYMN

Musical Selection.....Congregation  
(Every Praise)

REMARKS.....Harold Bradley  
Chairman Deacon Board

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

RESOLUTION

REFLECTIONS OF LIFE..... (Silent Reading)

SOLO.....Brother Jean Thomas

EULOGY.....Pastor Thomas Johnson

RECESSIONAL....."I'll Fly Away"

COMMITTAL SERVICE....Cedar Lawn Cemetery, Paterson, NJ

**After the committal service please join the family for  
the repast at the church.**

## To My Loved Ones

No reason for sorrow, no reason to cry. Look toward tomorrow and I'll tell you why my memories of you and yours of me are filled with love and laughter forever. You'll see no reason to worry, nor question God as to why you have lost me. No reason to say goodbye.

It's time for my journey home, a beautiful and peaceful trip that I must make alone. So just be strong and keep a smile, we'll only be apart for a little while. The love I've known is a very special part, the love I've shown came straight from the heart.

I leave you now to go on my way to a wonderful place where we'll be together someday. No reason at all as you can see. I'm with my Lord. He'll take care of me.

II Timothy: 4:7 "... I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them that love His appearing..."

### **ACTIVE AND HONORARY PALLBEARERS**

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Mount Bethel Baptist Church

### Acknowledgement

*We, the family of **Alonzo Arrington**, wish to express our sincere gratitude to our family, friends, church family and neighbors for your prayers, encouraging words, phone calls, visits and every other expression of kindness extended to us during this time of bereavement.*

*Special thanks to the medical team at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center for their relentless effort and unconditional care given to Alonzo during his stay at the hospital.*

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