



In Loving Memory of

Dewey Johnson, Jr.

Sunrise

October 15, 1925

Sunset

January 11, 2015

Friday, January 16, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

1025 Bergen Street

Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Ronald Allen, Officiating

Michael Gammage, Organist

Obituary

Dewey Johnson Jr., 89, passed away peacefully on January 11, 2015 at the JFK Hartwyck at Cedar Brook Nursing Home in Plainfield, NJ. He was born on October 15, 1925 in Batesburg, South Carolina to Lucille and Dewey Johnson Sr. He was predeceased his sister Dorothy Rufus of Brooklyn, NY and his brother Joseph Johnson , Bronx, NY.

At an early age his family moved from South Carolina to Fort Myers , Florida where he lived until the tender age of 8. He then returned to South Carolina to reside with relatives. His childhood was not an easy one, but it instilled in him the courage ad strength to build a better life. In 1943, at the age of 16, Dewey enlisted in the United States Navy, where he traveled the world and learned his trade as a chef. He was honorably discharged from the Navy 1945.

After the service, Dewey moved to New York City. He lived in Manhattan and the Bronx for many years before moving to Teaneck, NJ where he lived for 20 years. Dewey was married twice. From these unions, five children were born: twins Dewey III and Olivia, twins Karen and Deborah, and Kimberly.

Dewey was a hard working man, often working two jobs to make ends meet. He worked at the Steak Pit Restaurant, an upscale, restaurant in Paramus, NJ until the restaurant closed. He then became the head cook at the Teaneck Nursing Center where he worked until retirement. After retiring, Dewey relocated to Woodbridge, NJ where he lived out the rest of his years. Some of his favorite past times was to listen to music, sit on his patio, sip iced tea and watch the comings and goings around him. He liked to joke, eat a good meal and spend time with his family.

Dewey will be greatly missed. He leaves to mourn his passing five children, Dewey III and his wife Rita, Olivia, Karen, Deborah and Kimberly, seven grandchildren, five great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and loved ones.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Ronald Allen

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Alphine Cemetery
Perth Amboy, New Jersey



Tears

Now that I close my eyes for the last time,
I no longer see the light of day ...
But I still envision a bright future
that has only just begun.

One journey ends only for the sake of starting another,
And I do not shed a tear at the end.

Tears are not necessary; for I am happy ...
as my next journey begins!

Acknowledgement

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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