

*In Loving Memory of*



**Sunrise**

November 1, 1991

**Sunset**

May 12, 2015

*Robert L. Nelson III*

**Service**

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

**Cotton Funeral Service**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

*Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr., Officiating*

*Emory Lee, Organist*

# Obituary

**Robert L. Nelson III** affectionately known to his family as “**Lil Bey**” and to the rest of the world as “**Bey**” was born on November 1, 1991 to Melinda Spruiell and Robert Nelson, Jr. in Newark, NJ.

He spent his formative years as a Newark Public School student and as a young adult later resided in the same city.

To know “**Bey**” was to love him, he had a million dollar smile that would melt anybody’s heart and make a dark day bright. He was a young man whom was taught to respect his elders and it showed when in the presence of others and no matter what obstacles came to him throughout his short time here with us, he was always hopeful that one day things would be different. He was a young man with dreams.

As a kid “**Bey**” was always the smallest of the bunch and that is how he affectionately earned the nickname “**Lil Bey**” but in his eyes being small just meant he had to try a little harder, be a little tougher, a little braver, have a bigger heart and love anybody he was close to as hard as he could. Daily he did just that. As a young adult he no longer was the little guy trying to keep up with everybody else, he became who we all knew and loved as “**Bey**”.

“**Bey**” was Tough.

“**Bey**” was Brave.

“**Bey**” had a huge heart and he loved with his entire being.

“**Bey**” will be missed dearly.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Ebin Spruiell and his sister, Destiny Nelson.

Robert L. Nelson III was called home to rest on May 12, 2015. He leaves to mourn his passing to: his mother, Melinda Spruiell; and father, Robert Nelson, Jr.; his grandmother, Roberta Johnson; and grandfather, Robert Nelson, Sr.; two brothers, Jonathan Jackson and Rashon Spruiell; two sisters, Myesha Nelson and Labreia Mahon; his beloved niece, Zanylah Jordan; as well as godmother, Karen Merrill; and a special friend, Nahdenisa Summey; He is further survived by: a host of uncles, aunts, cousins and friends; nephew, Zahir Zakat; step-mother, Sandra Nelson; step-sister, Jazmin Mello.

“Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, but love leaves a memory no one can steal.”

-The Family

# *Order Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Andrea Jones

Remarks

Obituary

Aliyah Patterson

Selection

Eulogy

Viewing

Committal

Recessional

## **Interment**

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, New Jersey

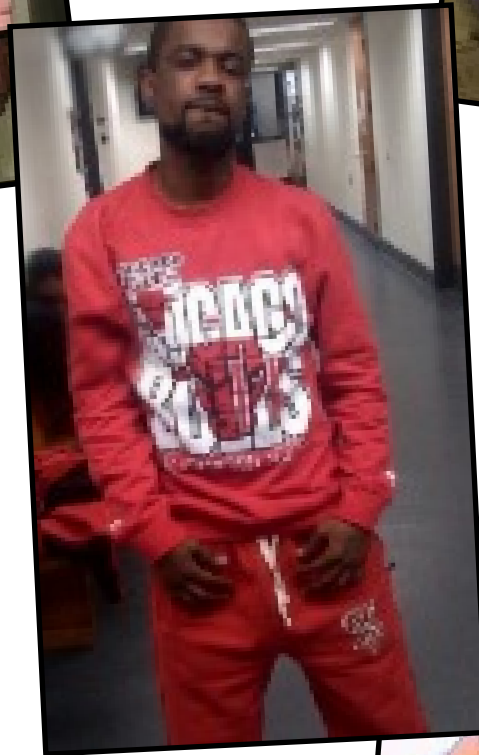













# *Peace Be Thine*



*God saw you were getting weary  
So he did what he thought best.  
He came and stood beside you  
And whispered **“Come And Rest.”**  
You bade no one a last farewell,  
No, not even a goodbye.  
You were gone before we knew it,  
And only God knows why.  
We shall forever cherish the love,  
And memory of you.  
You have been everything to us  
A son, a brother, an uncle,  
a nephew, a friend.  
God saw the road was getting rough,  
The hills so hard to climb.  
So he gently closed your loving eyes  
And whispered, **“Peace Be Thine.”***



## *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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