

Celebrating The Life
of



Samuel Frederick Wright, Jr.

Sunrise
August 21, 1948

Sunset
May 10, 2015

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

WOODY “HOME FOR SERVICES”

163 Oakwood Avenue
Orange, New Jersey 07050

Rev. James A. Johnson, Officiating
Myron Smith, Organist

Obituary

God in His infinite wisdom decided to call home **Samuel F. Wright, Jr.**, teacher and patron of the arts, 66, of East Orange, NJ on Sunday, May 10, 2015, at home surrounded by his immediate family.

Samuel F. Wright, Jr., was born August 21, 1948, in Orange Memorial Hospital, to Beulah J. and Samuel F. Wright, Sr. “Sam” or “Sandy”, as he was lovingly called, was a product of the East Orange School System, graduating from East Orange High in 1966. He then attended Hampton Institute, became a member of the Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship, Inc. in 1969 and graduated from Kean College with a Teaching Degree in 1970.

As a child growing up on Oak Street, Sam was a Cub Scout and Boy Scout. He also participated in the Messiah Baptist Church Basketball League as well the Elmwood Park League. He loved cars, airplane building, and racing with his neighbor buddies. As time went on Sandy realized he had a passion to draw and create abstract art. He also loved music of all kinds. This passion was with him his whole life as an Art Teacher for over thirty-two years at the Orange Board of Education, retiring in 2007 and as a DJ at clubs and roller skating rinks throughout New Jersey.

Sam was a unique kind of guy and he will be truly missed. Sam the man, Sam the music man, Sam the father, Sam the Big Brother, Sam the Uncle, Sam the Groover, Teacher and patron of the arts.

Sam was predeceased by his father, Samuel F. Wight, Sr., and mother, Beulah J. Wright.

He is survived by: his daughter, Alisa Lemon-Wright; sister, Sheila Y. Wright (her partner, Cornell Jones); niece, Sheffai Stewart (her fiancé, Rimp Williams); nephew, Army Medic Kyle Kinchelov; and devoted Healthcare giver, Towanna Johnson; other relatives and friends.

Sam, Sandy, Teacher, Patron of the Arts will forever be in our hearts and prayers.

As Sam would say, “Peace be upon you always.”

Lovingly submitted,
The Family

Order of Service

“The Lord’s Prayer”.....Cornell Jones

Scripture Readings.....Rev. James A. Johnson

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - II Corinthians 5:1-10

Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship Inc.....Calvin Brown

Words of Reflection.....Alisa Lemon-Wright

Acknowledgements and Obituary.....Rosalind Jenkins

Words of Comfort.....Rev. James A. Johnson

Peaceful Zion Baptist Church

East Orange, New Jersey

“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”.....Cornell Jones

Closing Prayer.....Rev. James A. Johnson

“Peace Be Upon You Always”

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery

Orange, New Jersey

Asleep

*I've closed my eyes and fallen asleep,
So there's no reason for you to weep;
This is a debt we all must pay,
You will see me again someday.
I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow,
Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow.
But life for you must go on,
You must not worry because I'm gone.
You stood beside me all the way,
When I was down, you knew what to say ...
You always told me, "get some rest,"
Let me sleep now, I've done my best.
So please let me rest in peace,
The tears you're shedding soon will cease.
You'll soon realize this was meant to be,
I thank God because He came for me.*

-Author unknown

Acknowledgement

*The family of **Samuel Frederick Wright, Jr.** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to our family during our time of bereavement.*

May God Bless and keep you.

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