

A Celebration of Life for  
**Robert Hansford**



*Sunrise*  
*July 30, 1947*

*Sunset*  
*August 9, 2015*

*Tuesday, August 18, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.*

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

575 E. 18<sup>th</sup> Street • Paterson, New Jersey

*Reverend Randall M. Lassiter, Pastor*

# Reflections of Life

**Robert “Huckabuck” Hansford** was born on July 30, 1947 in Paterson, NJ to Josephine (Ogletree) Hansford and Lanzy Hansford, Sr.

He attended the Paterson Public School System, and graduated from Central High School of Paterson, NJ. He was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force. He was Honorably Discharged from the U.S. Air Force in 1971.

Robert was employed by the United Parcel Service for over thirty-five years until his retirement. During his years of serves, he received many safe driving awards. He received many awards and honors at the Black Caucus in New Orleans, LA. He enjoyed cooking on the grill, especially during the summer. No one could bake a turkey or make candied yams the way he did. He enjoyed making apple pies for the holidays.

Robert was introduced to Eunice Baldwin in 1976. They were united in holy matrimony in June 1976 by Rev. Lester I. Glover.

During his leisure time he enjoyed going to the Meadowlands Race Track with his son, and going to football games with the guys. He also enjoyed watching CNN News, Soap Operas, gardening, decorating, especially at Christmas time, swimming, shopping and going to the movies with his granddaughter, who also called him “Pops”. Most called him Huck, Pops, Daddy, Pop-Pop, Music Man and Chef.

Robert departed this life on Sunday, August 9, 2015. He was preceded in death by his parents, Josephine (Ogletree) Hansford and Lanzy Hansford, Sr., one sister, Fannie, four brothers, Kenneth, Donald, Lanzy Jr. and Melvin. HE will truly be missed by his family, friends and neighbors.

Robert “Huckabuck” Hansford leaves to cherish precious memories: his beloved wife, Eunice Baldwin Hansford; one son, Jason Robert Hansford (Camille); two daughters, Tonya Bolds-Davis (Demetrius) and Courtney Hansford-Belton (Raysun); two sisters, Ruth Harrison and Valen Lucern; three brothers, William Hansford (Irene), Norman Hansford (Cheryl) and Clayvon Byrd (Ardena); six grandchildren, Demetrius Davis, Ray’Yanna Belton, Jazmine Hansford, Demonya Davis, Ray’Sun Belton and Jaquasia Williams; god daughter, Samara Kearney; sister-in-law, Karen Gilbert-Hansford; special cousin, Debbie Saunders; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, friends and neighbors.

# SERVICE OF TRIUMPH

## ***BROTHER ROBERT HANSFORD***

*For I am ready to be offered, and  
The time of my departure is at hand;  
I have fought a good fight, I have  
Finished my course, I have kept the faith  
2 Timothy 4:6-7*

**ORGAN PRELUDE**.....Grandison Reavis

**PROCESSIONAL**..... Scriptural Passages

**INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**HYMN OF COMFORT**..... "Hold to God's Unchanging Hand" 404

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**.....Psalm 23

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**.....Revelation 21:1-7

**WORDS OF COMFORT** .....Deacon Jeanette S. Lyde  
Deaconess Annabelle Jones

**FAMILY REFLECTIONS**..... Deacon Thomas Crawford Jr.

**SELECTION**..... "God is" .....Calvary Mass Choir

**RESOLUTIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**.....Deaconess Urquhart

**REFLECTIONS OF LIFE** .....Deaconess Sandra Urquhart

**SOLOIST**.....**DEACON JEROME WHITE**

**EULOGY** .....**REV. PAMELA M. POWELL**

**CLOSING SELECTION**..... "When We All Get to Heaven" 594

### **Interment**

*Wednesday, August 19, 2015 - 10:00 a.m.*

Fairlawn Memorial Cemetery

Fair Lawn, New Jersey

# I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God laid for me  
I took his hand when I heard Him call

I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day.

To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way,  
I found that peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it up with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart and share with me,  
God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

## Acknowledgement

*The family of the late **Robert Hansford** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement.*

*May God Bless and Keep You!*

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