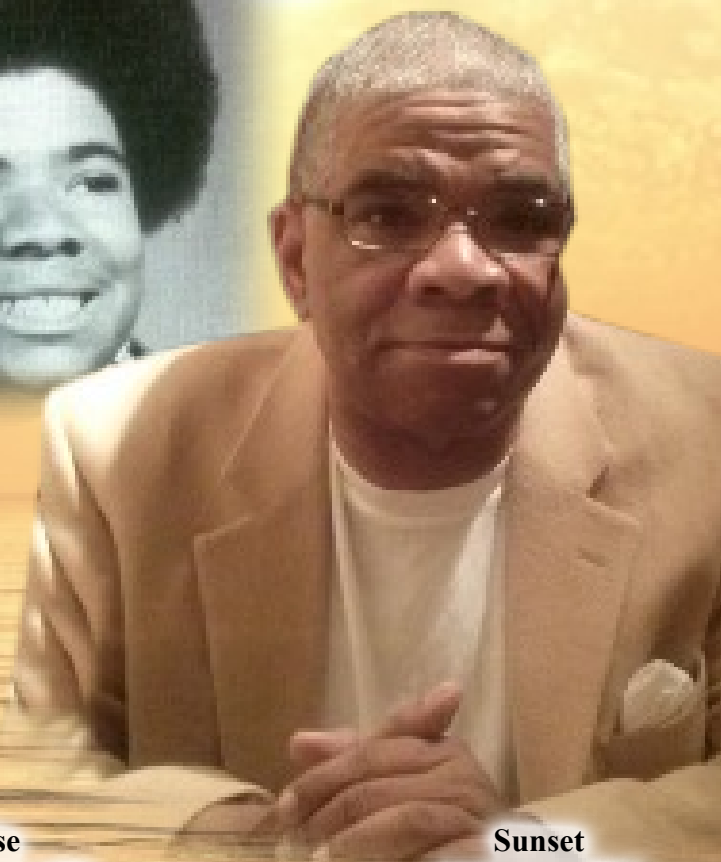


In Loving Memory of
James Brewster Kersey, Jr.



Sunrise
September 29, 1956

Sunset
August 18, 2015

Monday, August 24, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
59 Spring Street • Morristown, New Jersey

Reverend Sidney Williams, Pastor

Obituary

James Brewster Kersey, Jr. (Jamie) departed this earthly life suddenly on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at home in Morristown, NJ. James was born on Saturday, September 29, 1956 to the late James B. Kersey, Sr. and the late Julia (Gregory) Kersey in Morristown, NJ. James attended the public schools in Morristown and graduated from Morristown High School in 1974. He furthered his education at County College of Morris. James was employed for many years at AT&T and in later years he worked for Verizon Wireless, until his retirement last year.

“Jamie”, as he was affectionately known to his family and friends had a creative side to him. He loved to write - whether it was a personal reflection or an editorial in the newspaper. He was very opinionated and would quickly let you know how he felt about certain things without sparing any words. His outspokenness led him to get involved in community affairs where he often helped out with local council elections, attended council meetings, and served on the Board of Adjustment for the Town of Morristown.

Jamie had a love for his family and friends. In his youth, he loved taking trips to Bermuda. He enjoyed going up to Beavertail in Rhode Island and to the Carolina's to visit family. He was a very good Scrabble and Bid Whist player and spent many evenings playing with his friends. Jamie also had a love for cooking and was known for his barbecue chicken, which he cooked for many family functions.

The one thing that made him most proud was being a father figure to his nephew, Warren who he helped raise. Warren was his pride and joy and affectionately referred to him as “son”. In the latter months of his life he was sick and Warren would have to make sure he followed the doctor's orders, so, he'd tell people “he thinks he is my father”, but he knew it was all out of love and concern. They meant the world to each other.

Jamie leaves to cherish his precious memories an attentive nephew, who was more like a son, Warren Kersey of Morristown, NJ; a caring brother, Jeffrey Kersey, Sr. of Glen Gardner, NJ; a loving sister, Patricia Kersey of Orange, NJ; a nephew, Jeffrey Kersey, Jr. of Maryland; a great-niece, Kyra J. Cobbs-Kersey of Morristown, NJ; a special cousin, Paul Patterson of Morristown, NJ; a devoted friend, Geri Blanchard of Morristown, NJ; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL “*I’ll Fly Away*”

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN OF PRAISE “*We’ll Understand It Better By And By*”

INVOCATION Rev. Beth Cotten

PRAYER RESPONSE

SCRIPTURES

OLD TESTAMENT Job 14:1-14 Rev. Geraldine K. Branch

NEW TESTAMENT John 14:1-7 Rev. Joseph Ford

MUSICAL SELECTION Lori Wall

PRAYER OF CONSOLATION Rev. Geraldine K. Branch


REMARKS and READING OF RESOLUTIONS

MUSICAL SELECTION Lori Wall

READING OF OBITUARY

THE EULOGY Rev. Sidney Williams

RECESSIONAL “*Just Over In The Gloryland*”



*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep,
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle Autumn rain.
When you wake in the morning hush
I am the swift, uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circling flight,
I am the soft starlight at night,
Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there - I don't sleep.
Mary Elizabeth Frye*

Pallbearers

Corey Hicks Teddy Hicks
Percy Parks Marlon Winbush



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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