



*Celebrating the Life of*

*Verne McClary*

**Sunrise**

June 28, 1949

**Sunset**

September 14, 2015

Friday, September 25, 2015 - 11:00 a.m.

**CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOME**

256 Rosa Parks Blvd.

Paterson, New Jersey

*Rev. Barry Graham, Officiating*

## *Reflections of Life*

**Verne McClary** was the second son and third child of Mrs. Mary Etta and the late John Wesley McClary. Verne was born on June 28, 1949 in Kingstree, SC. Verne departed this earthy life on Monday, September 14, 2015.

Verne was educated in the Public School system of South Carolina. He graduated from Thomlinson High School of Kingstree and was credited for his show stopping acrobats as Drum Major with the High School Band. The Band was widely recognized by other high schools and colleges alike during Vern's Drum Major tenure.

After graduation, Verne moved to Paterson, New Jersey in the late 1960's where he resided until his passing. He worked in the roofing industry. In 1999, Vern got a second chance to pursue and marry his wife Barbara. Although there were no children born to this union Verne's infectious playful nature was not lost on Barbara's many nieces and nephews. He loved children and had a sense of humor that was captivating.

Verne loved life and lived it to the fullest. He was preceded in death by his Father, John Wesley and Brother, John L. McClary.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his beloved wife, Barbara; his Mother, Mary Etta; one Sister, Mary F. McClary of Astoria, NY; Sisters-in-law, Emily McClary, Teya and Linda Free; Brothers-in-law, Robert Free, Jr. and Ronald Free, all of Paterson, NJ; two Aunts, Shirley McClary of Kingstree, SC and Salomme McClam of Garner, NC; Nephews, Jason S. McClary of Greenville, SC, Kiejuan McClary of Paterson. Nieces Angelina Porter, and Jaleesha McClary of Paterson, NJ; and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

# Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL.....“Some Sweet Day”  
“Boys To Men”

INVOCATION/PRAYER OF COMFORT

SCRIPTURE READING

Old Testament - Psalm 89:15 - 16

New Testament – John 14:18-20

SELECTION .....Lenora Johnson-Dorf

TRIBUTE ..... Friends and Family  
(Brief comments please)

SELECTION

OBITUARY ..... Lenora Johnson-Dorf

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

FINAL REFLECTIONS ..... Mary F. McClary, Sister

SELECTION

MESSAGE OF COMFORT..... Rev. Barry Graham  
Canaan Baptist Church, Paterson, NJ

RECESSIONAL

**Interment**

St. Peter's Cemetery  
Garfield, New Jersey

## Psalm 91

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

### Acknowledgement

We wish to express our profound gratitude and appreciation to everyone who reached out to us during this time of sorrow! Please know that our hearts have been uplifted and encouraged.

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