# In Loving Memory of Charlie MacArthur Allen

Sunrise

October 28, 1944

Sunset

October 24, 2015



#### **Service**

Friday, October 30, 2015 - 7:00 p.m.

Calvary Baptist Church of North Jersey at Garfield

217 Passaic Street

Garfield, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney, Officiating

# Reflection of Life

Charlie MacArthur Allen was born October 28, 1944 in Americus, GA to the late Quitman and Bessie Lee Allen. Charlie spent his early childhood in Americus, where he was baptized at Mount Salem Baptist Church and attended Americus Public Schools. He later travelled to the city of Passaic with his family and graduated from Passaic High School in 1963. After graduating, he worked for Manhattan Rubber Company and Wilburn Pharmacy before joining the Passaic Police Department in 1968. Charlie was united in holy matrimony with Sandra Dean Leverett and from that union came their two daughters: Charlene D. Allen and Tiffany K. Allen.

During his tenure as a member of the PBA Local 14, he was promoted to the rank of Detective. Charlie was a devoted community activist. He was also an avid football player and enthusiast; his enthusiasm was later transferred to that of coach for the Passaic Athletic League (PAL) from 1975-1981. He was particularly proud to be one of the key supporters of, "The Bobby Thomas Doing it in the Park". He served as a member of the Passaic Board of Education for one term. From 1975-1980 Charlie was assigned to Passaic High School as an officer. He and his partner, Steve Ontell, were the first officers in the State of New Jersey to be assigned to a school setting. It was during this time that Charlie truly impacted the community in other ways. He helped transform many lives through his stern, yet loving charisma. He fueled many movements such as The Black Shield Officers and The Klansman Motorcycle Club. Additionally, Charlie was known for his CB handle "Junkyard Dog", as he communicated with many truck drivers across the country. He was a man of distinction and hometown hero. He touched all those that he came in contact with and had a caring and giving spirit that is to be emulated.

In 1994, after retiring from the Passaic Police Department, he relocated to Aiken, SC where he later united in marriage to Annie Powell. While residing in Aiken, Charlie continued to mentor others such as William "Refrigerator" Perry, with his wisdom and enthusiasm for the sport of football. Charlie truly enjoyed his retirement and was known as the merlot vintner, pit master, outdoor sportsman, of fishing and hunting. He mastered social media with use of Facebook, which allowed him to reconnect and keep in contact with all those he had impacted over the years. The many testimonials are evidence of how he was determined, hard working, charismatic, dedicated, and loved.

He was predeceased in death by brothers, George Allen, Booker T. Allen, sisters, Bethena (Allen) Monts, Mildred (Allen) Jones, sister-in-law, Louise Allen and brother-in-law, Floyd Bell.

On October 24, 2015, Charlie went from labor to reward.

Charlie leaves to cherish his memories: his wife, Annie Allen of Aiken, South Carolina; two daughters, Charlene Allen of Milford, PA and Tiffany K. Allen of Passaic, NJ; three step children, Felicia Powell of Scotland Neck, North Carolina; Jason Powell of Austin, Texas; Patrick Powell of Auburn Kentucky; three sisters: Lottie Mae Bell of Aiken, SC, Alice Bell (George) of Passaic, NJ; Olivia Webster (Alfred) of Bridgeton, NJ; and one brother, Alonzo Allen (Elizabeth) of Aiken, SC, and brothers-in-law, Ulice Monts of Passaic, Clifton Higgs (Rosemary) of Garner, NC; three sisters-in-law, Mary F. Baker of Poughkeepsie, NY; Cleo Oatis of Enfield, NC and Linda Wiggins (Lewis) of Scotland Neck, NC. He also leaves behind his close friends: John Dukes, Henry Green, Charles Jordan, Steve Ontell, Clarence Smith, John White and Inez Stephens; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends.

Charlie will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Thank you to all our family and friends who assisted with this Home Going Celebration.

### Order Service

Prelude

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Acknowledgements & Remarks

Reflections of Life

Selection

Words of Comfort Rev. Dr. Calvin McKinney

Recessional

#### **Interment**

East Ridgelawn Cemetery Clifton, New Jersey

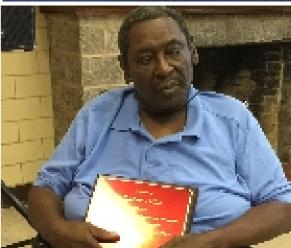


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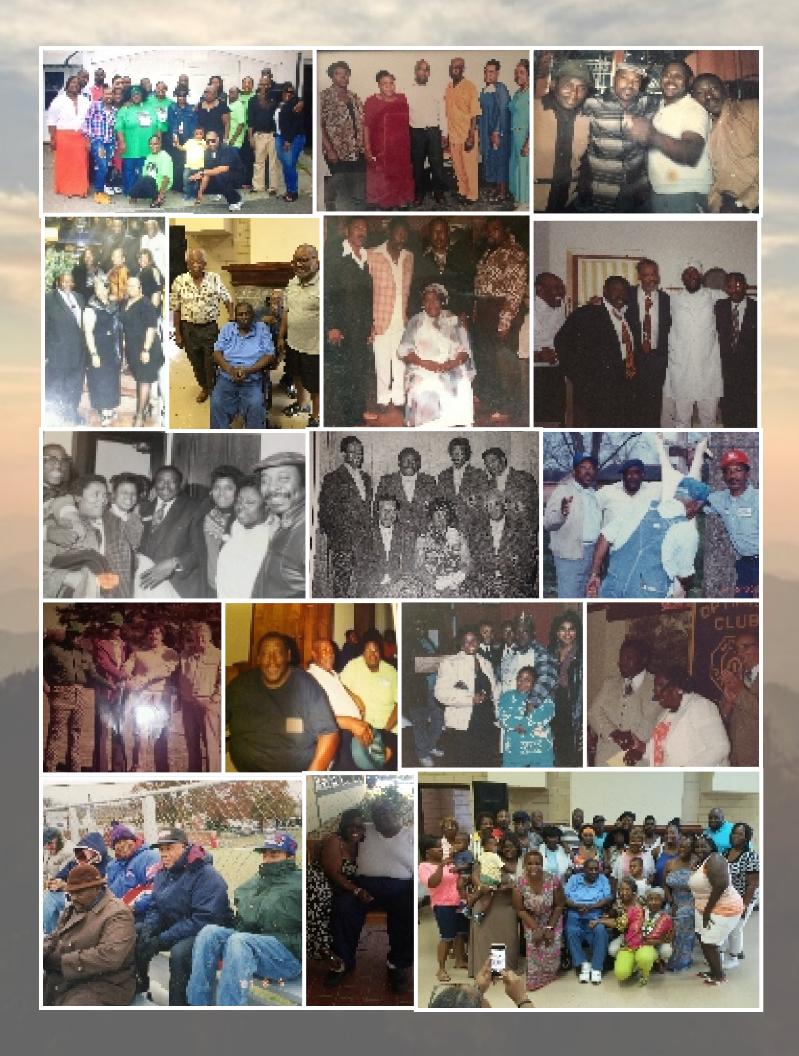
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#### **Brother**

I hold onto our memories The ones that are so dear To try to keep you always close Now you are not here You were called, it was your time But it is so true You have left a legacy There was no one like you You were very special And I want to say I feel lost in many ways You are not here today But I will never forget you And I know I have been blessed To have you for my brother Because you were the best.

We will miss your Saturday morning calls. ©

Love Alonzo, Lottie, Alice and Olivia









We realized when duty called, our dad would answer, without hesitation or fear.

He did not ask what it would cost; rather he saw that the need was clear: a need to serve, defend and protect no matter what anyone else thought.

As his road began to get rough and his hills hard to climb, he closed his eyes and knew his job was done and that we would continue to answer the call so he could rest peacefully.

Our father is a hero in our eyes, and we hope in yours, as well. He gave of his life helping those in need and because of this, his legacy will remain with *The Charlie MacArthur Allen Foundation* as we, his daughters, continue to answer the call.

His Daughters, Charlene and Tiffany

Please support the CM Allen Foundation Cmallenfoundation@gmail.com P.O. Box 1895 Passaic, NJ 07055

## 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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