

**Celebrating
The Life
of**

A portrait of Paul Lee Bovain, a Black man wearing a dark bowler hat and glasses, looking slightly to the right. The background is a bright blue sky with a white dove in flight. The portrait is overlaid on a background image of a coastal town with a white lighthouse on a cliff overlooking the ocean.

Paul Lee Bovain

**Sunrise: April 5, 1939
Sunset: October 23, 2015**

**Wednesday, November 4, 2015
Viewing: 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Service: 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

ST. PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH

435 E. 140th Street • Bronx, NY
Host Pastor: Pastor Martin, Officiating

Obituary

Paul Lee Bovain, Sr. was born in Camden, South Carolina, on April 5, 1939 to the late Deacon Joe Bovain and Carrie Ellis-Bovain. His mother died when he was young and his father and eldest sister, Anna Richardson (also known as "Momma") raised him and his other brothers and sisters.

Paul Bovain was educated in the South Carolina school system, but then stopped later to help out at home at an early age. Paul didn't have much schooling or education, but one thing he did have, was a heart, a good one too. Paul grew up with much of nothing, all he had was his four brothers and two sisters. He always smiled, even when times were hard. He always was the type of person to give to you, even if he didn't have it, but he would find a way to get it for you if he could. Paul loved his family no matter what went wrong in life, but more than anything in this world he loved his children and grandchildren.

Paul later moved to New York where he found work. Paul stayed on one job for 29 years at a company driving trucks.

Paul leaves behind: the mother of his children, Louise Davis; his sons, Mervin Bovain 55, Lamont Howard 42, Paul Lee Bovain, Jr. 35, and baby son, Mandale Bovain 28; and only and youngest daughter, Paula Bovain 23; his brother, John Wesley Bovain; sister-in-law, Debra Ann Bovain; sister, Bernice Pearscri; and a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Paul Bovain was a loving man and truly will be missed and cherished.



Order of Service

Processional

Musical Selection

Scripture Reading.....Evangelist Denice Pearson

Prayer of ComfortPastor Wanda Page

Selection-OrganistGarrett Meachem

Hymn of TriumphsLinda and Cynthia

Acknowledgements

Remarks (Limit two minutes)

Selections

Obituary

Musical Selection

EulogyProphet May Hue

Committal

ViewingFamily and Friends

Recessional

Interment

Oxford Hills Crematory • Chester, New York

All are welcome downstairs for refreshments.

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 **Paul Lee Bovain**, acknowledge with deep appreciation, all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. Thank you for helping us provide the wishes of Paul Bovain in his time of need. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and support. You were there when we needed you the most. Thank you, may God bless you.

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