

*Celebrating the Life of
Simon "Papi" James Young*



Sunrise

March 26, 1944

Sunset

February 1, 2016

Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 11:00 AM

Greater File Chapel Baptist Church

505-7 West 155th Street
New York, NY 10032

**Rev. Geraldine L. Harris, Officiating
Deborah Ashe, Organist**

Order of Service

PreludeMusical

Processional.....Clergy and Young Family

Opening Selection.....Choir

The Holy Scriptures
 Old Testament - Psalm 90:1-12.....Mary Belle
 New Testament - John 14:1-4.....Kenneth Belle

Prayer of Consolation.....Jackson Young

Solo.....Gary Pender

Obituary.....Lonnie Grant

Remarks (two minutes).....Minister Herlyn Mack and Jamie Young

Solo.....Deacon Eddie Parker, Jr.

Eulogy.....Rev. Geraldine L. Harris

Final Viewing

Committal/Benediction.....Rev. Geraldine L. Harris

Recessional.....Clergy and Family

<p><u>Interment</u> Kensico Cemetery Valhalla, New York</p>
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Repast

You are invited to join the Family in the dining area of the Great File Chapter Baptist Church following the Interment.

Reflections of Life

Simon James Young was born on March 26, 1944 and was the sixth child of twelve children born to the late Eva White and Jack Young in Beaufort County, South Carolina.

On Monday, February 1, 2016 at 4:14 am the Lord called him home. As he was leaving us he had a beautiful smile and “rays” of sunshine shined on his face, knowing he was in the Lord’s hand.

He received his education at Robert Smalls High School in Beaufort, SC and received a scholarship to Howard University. Due to finances, he was unable to attend. Shortly after, he moved to New York City in 1962 with his brothers.

He was authoritative but smooth, never speechless to give advice or speak his mind. A humbled man who always helped others and had a heart of gold. Simon was a sharp, clean dresser with the coolest walk on the block and a God fearing man.

He enjoyed sports and his favorite football team was the Miami Dolphins. He loved oldies music especially Otis Redding and Percy Sledge. Simon enjoyed spending time with his family laughing and debating about sports with his grandsons. He enjoyed watching CNN and court TV shows.

Simon was a devoted and wonderful father, husband, son, brother and uncle. He was also very hardworking, strong and a dedicated employee. He worked various jobs and brought himself a new white car to drive taxi part time to support his family in the late 70’s.

Simon retired as a longtime employee of the New York City Transit Authority having served twenty years as a bus operator. During his tenure with the transit authority, he received numerous stellar accolades and honoree awards for his performance as a “safe driver”.

Simon “Gee” was preceded in death by one sister; Sara, seven brothers; Nathaniel, Jack, Paul, Joseph, Leroy, Kenneth and Curtis.

Simon’s endearing love will live on in the hearts of his precious wife; Estella Mae, daughters; Wanda Young Grant (Lonnie), Jamie Renee Young, Karen L. Young, Patricia Scott (Robert), brothers; Abraham Young Yemassee, SC, Sherman Young Australia, sisters; Mary (Francis) Florus Washington, DC, sisters-in-law; Corrine Young, Brooklyn, NY, Dora Tatum, and Francis Bell (Kenneth) both of Bronx, NY, and Herlyn Mack Lumberton, NC, brother in-law; Stacey Mack Lumberton, NC, eight grandchildren; Shanise (Scoop-be), Asia (Bing-Bing), Daquan (Dyke), Kaliph (Vic), Malachi (Redd), Jazmin, Jessie and Jade, two great-grandchildren; Madison and Amir (Big Boy) love of his heart. Very special love ones Jackson Young, Lenore Maine, Eva Mae Little, Betty Maine, Rosie Moble, LaBertha Williams, Jessie Bailey, Annie Lee Young, Maude West, Naomi Allen, Michael McLaurin and Anthony Tatum along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Lovingly Submitted,
The Family



**My grandfather was a man of quite
a few words, direct and precise.
A chance to be in his presence
you saw that he was full of life
He walked with grace
He dressed with taste as his spirit
left us there was a smile on his face
Papi, a husband, a father
and the best grandfather
He played his part
Grateful, to have him as an angel
watching over us
He will forever be embedded in our hearts
Asia (Bing Bing)**

**One quiet night the angels came and took my
grandfather away, But in the stillness of the night
I could almost hear him say, Dear grandchildren
I will miss you because you all mean so much to
me, But God has called me to his side so in
Heaven I'll be I remember the smiles and laugh-
ter on his face, I remember how the belt would be
right there to put us in our place, I remember the
Super Bowl when you won that bet, I remember
rooting for the Yankees and Knicks while you
rooted for the Mets & Nets, I remember all the
long talks we shared, I remember how you would
relax while you sat in your chair, I remember the
love you gave and how you always cared, I re-
member you no matter what happened always
being there Simon Young my grandfather, Who
over the years became one of my closest friends,
He may be gone but he'll never be forgotten.**

Acknowledgement

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sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them in their
time of sorrow. Special thanks to Metropolitan Transit
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