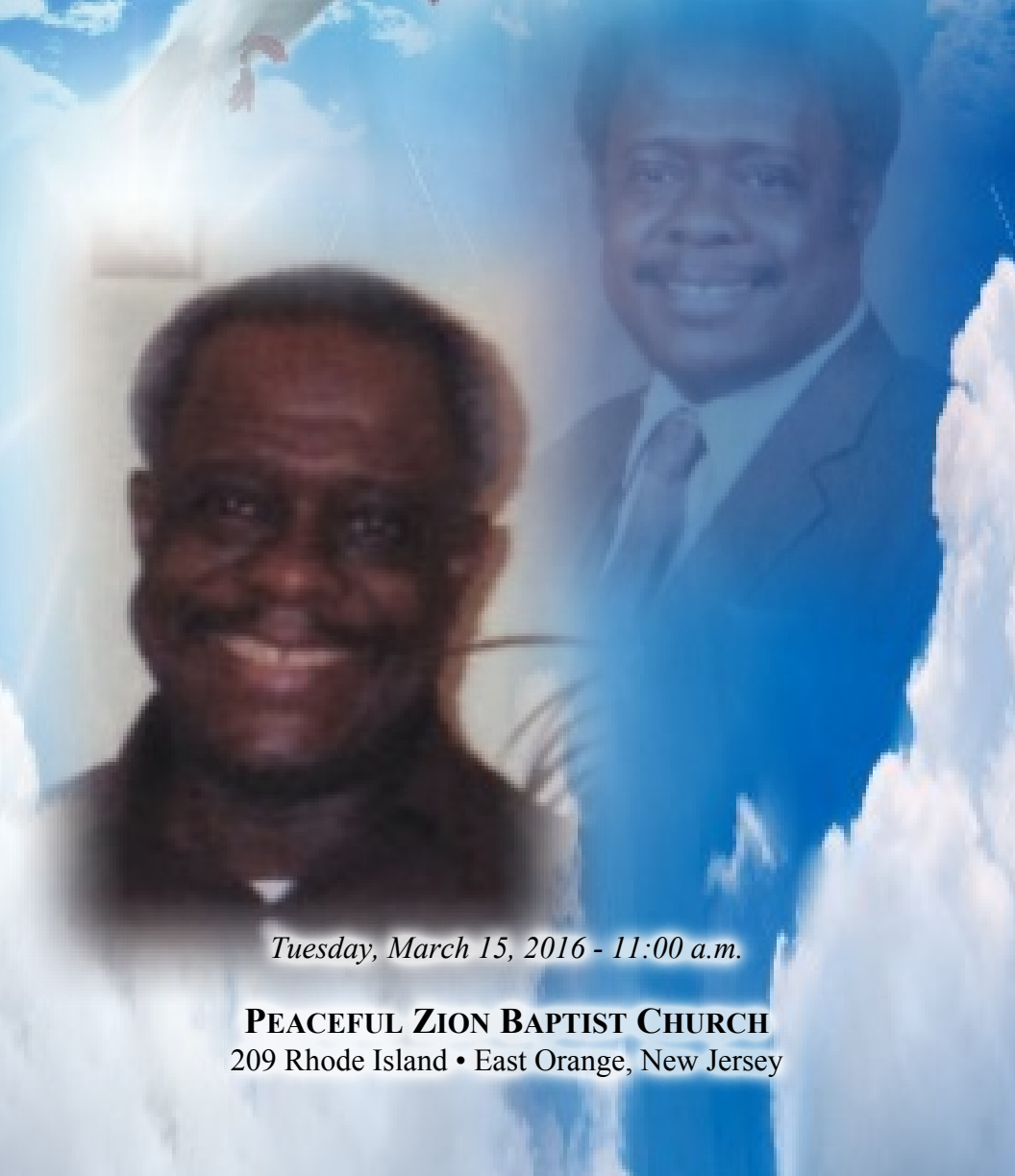




*In Loving Memory of*  
***Rev. Samuel T. Knight***

**Sunrise**  
September 21, 1941

**Sunset**  
March 9, 2016



*Tuesday, March 15, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.*

**PEACEFUL ZION BAPTIST CHURCH**  
209 Rhode Island • East Orange, New Jersey

# Obituary

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.

2 Timothy 4:7

Reverend Samuel Theodore Knight was born on September 21, 1941 to the late Edward, Sr. and Lara Lee Knight, in the Stokes Community of Pitt County, North Carolina. On the beautiful Wednesday Morning of March 9, 2016, at 6:00 AM, God sent one of his angels to whisper in Samuel's ear that it was time for him to come home. It was on that morning that Samuel answered his Master's call and moved from labor to reward.

Sam as he was lovingly called received most of his formal elementary and secondary education in the public school systems in the community of his birth. Upon graduation from Bethel Union High in Bethel, North Carolina Samuel relocated to Newark, New Jersey.

Samuel secured employment with Topper Toy Factory in Newark. It was there that he met the love of his life and future wife, Shirley Pearl Baker. In 1965, they were married. God blessed their union with 5 children, Samuel, Jr., Sandra, Christine Sonia and Shakeema. Samuel and Shirley shared their lives as one for over 50 years.

Shortly after his tenure with Topper Toy's, He secured employment with the utility Public Service Gas and Electric Company (PSE&G) as a lineman. He was very proud of the work he did for them and was a loyal and dedicated employee for over ten years. Unfortunately, Samuel met with an accident at work which left him permanently disabled.

Always having been a follower of Jesus Christ, In 1968, Samuel accepted God's call on his life by becoming an Associate Minister at Abyssinian Baptist Church. His thirst for knowledge of his Saviour led him to become a student at New York Theological Seminary in Mount Vernon, New York. It was there that he received Certification in Christian Ministry.. He was also a student at Northern Baptist School of Religion in Newark where he received his Bachelors Degree in Theology. . He later became an Associate Minister at Peaceful Zion Baptist Church under the current Pastorship of his longtime friend Reverend James Johnson.

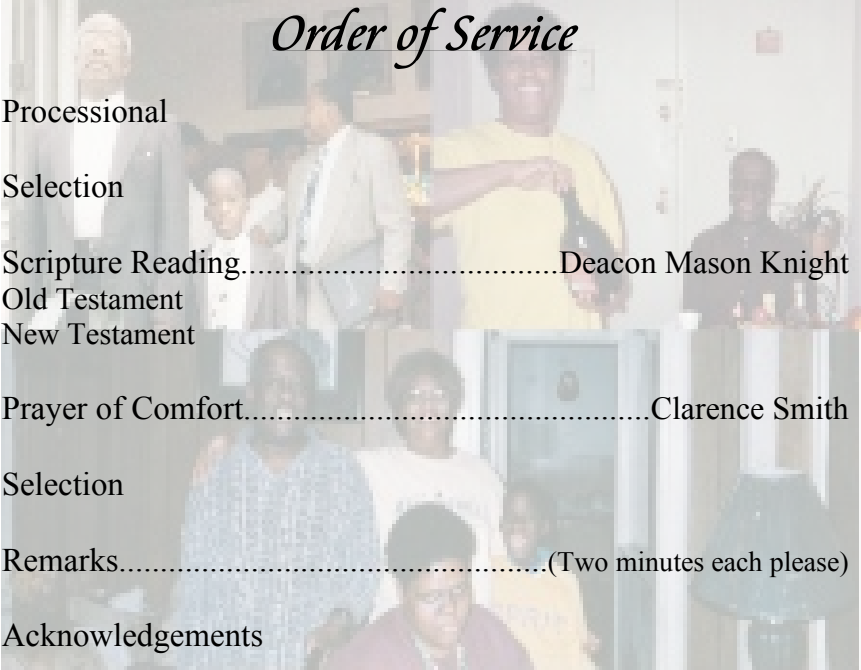
Although Samuel suffered much pain throughout the years from many ailments, He never complained. He being the Man of God he was, knew that this body with all its imperfections is only a temporary house. He knew that God's word was salve for his soul which is eternal. He strived to be with His King, and now his soul is resting in the bosom of Jesus.

He leaves cherished fond memories and to mourn his passing, his beloved wife, Shirley, his devoted daughters, Minister Sonia and Shakeema. His cherished grandchildren Dawn Bennett and Lamar Baker. His three brothers, Mason, Edward and Curtis, four sisters Lillian (Milton) Redmond, Nan Parker, Dorothy (Joe) Robinson and Pearlina (John) Hamilton.

Samuel has joined in eternity, His parents Edward and Lara, his son, Samuel, Jr. his daughters, Sandra and Christine. His brother Linwood his sisters Betty, Martha, and Adell..

Rest sweet Samuel,

Thank you for a life well lived.



# *Order of Service*

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading.....Deacon Mason Knight  
Old Testament  
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort.....Clarence Smith

Selection

Remarks.....(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

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Selection.....Sonya Knight

Eulogy.....Rev. James Johnson Sr.  
(Peaceful Zion Baptist Church)

Recessional

**INTERMENT**  
Hollywood Memorial Park  
Union, New Jersey



*Samuel, like David, was a man after God's own heart. He was a humbled man who truly loved the Lord with all of his might. He loved his family and believed in the power of family, and how God blessings us threw the family. He prayed for us, he provided for us, and he was always there for us if we needed anything, to God we will be forever grateful for blessing us with your presence in our lives. May you rest in peace until we see you again.*

*We will always love you,  
The Family*

### *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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