

*In Loving Memory
of*

*Edwin
"Poochie"
Crawley*

September 14, 1952 – March 11, 2016

Friday, March 18, 2016
10:00 A.M. Funeral

New Hope Baptist Church
144 Norman Street – East Orange, New Jersey
Rev. Dwight D. Gill, Pastor
Rev. Michael Robinson, Officiating

Obituary

Edwin Lorenzo Crawley was born to the late George and Marilyn “Molly” Crawley in Montclair, New Jersey on September 14, 1952. East Orange became his home and his heart throughout his entire life. He was always full of personality and adopted the name “**Poochie**” amongst his family and friends that remained with him throughout his entire life. He departed this life on Friday, March 11, 2016 at his home.

As a child, Edwin enjoyed playing Pop Warner football in the league established by his father, George Crawley. As a teen you could find Edwin on the basketball and baseball field in Oval Park with his friends.

He received his education within the East Orange Public School system. He went on to graduate from East Orange High School where he was a talented football and baseball player. Following high school, he attended Montclair State University.

In 1972, Edwin was blessed with his first-born son, Marc. Family has always been important to him and he loved his son dearly.

Edwin met and fell in love with his devoted wife and soul mate, Brenda Grady. They were married on November 26, 1983. Their union was blessed with his second son, Corey who he also loved dearly.

Edwin was employed by PHARMACAPS Incorporated in Elizabeth, New Jersey for many years. He knew he had a passion and a calling to help others so he decided to enroll in the police academy and became an Essex County Sheriff's Officer for the past 19 years. He was very well known and loved by everyone who knew him at the courthouse.

Edwin had a love for the Lord Jesus Christ throughout his entire life. As an adult, Edwin reconfirmed his acceptance of Jesus Christ as his personal savior as well as being a faithful and dedicated member of Union Baptist Church in Bloomfield, New Jersey until his passing. He enjoyed singing his praises with the Mens' Choir.

Edwin was a true grill master and enjoyed cooking. He also loved listening to music and one could always find Edwin singing, bowling with his league, traveling with his wife, and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren William, Sydnee and Corey Jr. He was the true epitome of a family man and had the ability to build the spirits of everyone around him.

He is predeceased by his parents George and Marilyn "Molly" Crawley, brother James (Chick) Crawley and brother in laws Carrol and Vananzer. He leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved wife of 32 years, Brenda; his two sons Marc (Janis) and Corey (Rachelle); Brothers, Tyrone (Muriel) and Marlo (Gisele); Sisters, Frances "Cookie", Etta, and Katheryn; Granddaughter, Sydnee; Grandsons, William and Corey Jr.; Nephews, Tyriq, Marlo Jr. (Shalaah), and Tyrone; Nieces, Nekelle, Keisha, Kia, Marlisha, and LaToya; goddaughters Jasmine and Aleeah; Brothers in law, Steve (Zarata) and Norwood, a life long friend Collin Green plus a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

Call to Worship.....Dorman Blaine

Scripture.....Gail Gilmore Ponder

Prayer

Selection.....Susu Montgomery

Acknowledgements.....Hassana Shaw

Resolutions

Obituary.....Francine Hamilton Smith

Selection.....Theresa Thomason

Remarks.....*Please keep to 2 minutes*

Selection.....Tommy J. Pearson

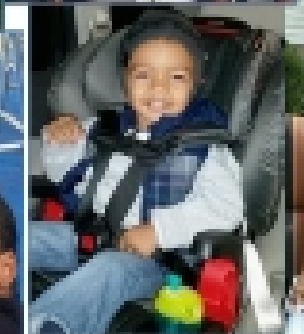
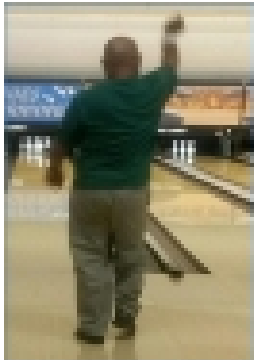
Eulogy.....Rev. Michael Robertson

Selection.....Union Baptist Mens' Choir

Benediction

Cremation

Rosedale Crematory
Orange, New Jersey





If Tears Could Build A Stairway

*If tears could build a stairway
And memories were a lane.
We would walk right up to heaven
And bring you back again
No farewell words were spoken
No time to say goodbye
You were gone before we knew it
And only God knows why
Our hearts still ache in sadness
And secret tears still flow
What it meant to love you
No one can ever know
But now we know you want us
To mourn for you no more
To remember all the happy times
Life still has much in store
Since you'll never be forgotten
We pledge to you today
A hallowed place within our hearts
Is where you'll always stay.*

-Author unknown

Pallbearers

Det. Darryl, Robinson
Sheriff Officer Clem, Cox
Sheriff Officer Hamza, Aziz
Sheriff Officer Tony, Wallace
Sheriff Officer Elliott, Taylor
Sheriff Officer Odilio, Say
Sheriff Officer Juan, Viruet



I Love You Because...

*I love you because you
appreciate who I am.*

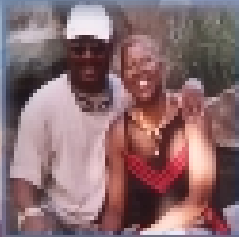
*I love you because you're never
afraid to take a chance.*

*I love you because you are always
behind me with all your support.*

*I love you because your smile
lights up my life.*

*I love you because you bring
out the best in me.*

*I love you because you make me
look at life in a special way.*



Acknowledgement of Appreciation

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