

*In Loving Memory of*  
*Ray-Arnol Boyd*

**Sunrise**  
February 3, 1961

**Sunset**  
March 25, 2016



*Tuesday, April 5, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.*

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**  
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey

## Obituary

**Ray-Arnol Boyd** fondly known as "Arnold" departed this life on March 25th 2016. Ray was born February 3rd 1961. He was the youngest of two children to the late Herbert Boyd and Norma Boyd in Orange NJ.

Ray graduated from Irvington High School and then went onto Bloomfield College. He had numerous jobs threw out his life.

He then found his calling in educating people about HIV and the negative effects of drug use.

Ray leaves to cherish his mother, Norma "Mama Boyd"; one sister, Barrie "B" Boyd who preceded him in death 2005, a foster brother Patrick Gifford; aunts, Anna Harroll and Helen Andrews; a beloved niece, Tashonda (Boyd) Raynor, two great nieces, Shaquita Boyd and Shanice Henry; great-great nieces, Aijhanae, Bryniyah, and Alani; one great nephew, Bilal; cousins, Kathryn Moore, Evelyn Raymond and Chester Moore. He also leaves a host of beloved family and friends.

### **Don't Cry For Me**

Don't cry for me, I will be okay.

Heaven is my home now, and this is where I'll stay.

Don't cry for me, I'm where I belong.

I want you to be happy and try to stay strong.

Don't cry for me, It was just my time.

But I will see you someday on the other side.

Don't cry for me, I am not alone.

The angels are with me to welcome me home.

Don't cry for me, for I have no fear.

All my pain is gone, and Jesus took my tears.

Don't cry for me, this is not the end.

I'll be waiting here for you, when we meet again.

# *Order of Service*

Processional  
Clergy & Family

Hymn of Praise & Poem  
Shakirah Lawson

Scripture Reading

Acknowledgements  
Tashonda Boyd (Raynor)

Obituary  
Read in Silence

Remarks  
2 Minutes

Selection  
Shakirah Lawson

Eulogy  
Reverend Curtis (CLBC)

Recessional

## **INTERMENT**

Evergreen Cemetery  
Hillside, New Jersey

**Repast**  
VFW Hall  
56-58 Chestnut Avenue  
Irvington, NJ 07111

# *If Tears Could Build A Stairway*

If tears could build a stairway  
and thoughts a memory lane  
I'd walk right up to heaven  
and bring you home again.

No Farewell words were spoken  
No time to say good-bye  
You were gone before I knew it  
And only God knows why.

My heart's still active in sadness  
And secret tears still flow  
What it meant to lose you  
No one can ever know.

But now I 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  
I pledge to you today  
A hallowed place within my heart  
Is where you'll always stay

## *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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