In Loving Memory of

Paul Jean Rodrigue Francois

Sunrise September 17, 1941 Sunset June 16, 2016



Saturday, June 25, 2016 - 12:00 Noon

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey 07050 Monsignor Beaudrun Ardouin, Officiating

Obituary

Paul Jean Rodrigue Francois was 74 years of age when he passed away on Thursday, June 16, 2016 at University Hospital in Newark, New Jersey at 2:39 a.m. Paul was born on September 17, 1941 in Au Cayes, Haiti to the late Georges Francois and Irene Milord, he was the fourth out of seven kids that his parents had.

Paul went to a primary school located in Haiti called Pamel Lexima and a secondary school called Charles Laséaive. He was a person with many talents, self-taught in many areas, he had his own business as a mechanic fixing cars, and on his free time he enjoyed jewelry making, cobblery, and he was an artist who made clay sculptures, and paintings.

He came to America in August of 1986 with his oldest daughter, and after he arrived he worked as a plumber in NYC, and after many years of working hard, he finally saved enough money to move his wife and the rest of his children, two girls and three boys to America for a better chance at life, 1 year later he had another son, and the latter years of his life he worked at Seton Hall University as a Housekeeper until he retired. Paul has a total of 7 kids, 3 girls and 4 boys, 21 grandchildren, 8 boys and 13 girls, and he was also a great grandfather to 3 boys.

Paul enjoyed relaxing and listening to his favorite musician Coupé Cloué, after eating diri kole ak pois avec groit and his favorite movies were Rambo and Commando. Paul also enjoyed spending time with his family, even though he lost his mother, Irene at a very early age, and went through many obstacles, he still strived to do what was right, and managed to become a great person, man, brother, husband, and father. He was the perfect example of what a parent is and should be, he always sacrificed for not only his kids but for all those who needed it. Paul was a very caring and giving person, he loved everyone, and he was loved by all those who knew him, and he will truly be missed.

Order of Mass

Introductory Rites

Greeting

Opening Prayer

Liturgy of the Word

Readings

Homily

General Intercessions

The Lord's Prayer

The Hell Mary

Final Commendation

Invitation to Prayer

Silence

Prayer of Commendation

CREMATION

Rosedale Crematory Orange, New Jersey

Repast

D&K Buffet 660 Main Street (corner of Harrison) East Orange, New Jersey

Revelation 21:3-4

With that I heard a loud voice from the throne say: "Look! The tent of God is with mankind, and he will reside with them, and they will be his people. And God himself will be with them. And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away."

Footprints

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from his life. For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to him, and the other to the LORD. When the last scene of his life flashed before him, he looked back at the footprints in the sand. He noticed that many times along the path of his life there was only one set of footprints. He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his life. This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it. "LORD, you said that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why when I needed you most you would leave". The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering, when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you".

-Mary Stevenson



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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