In Loving Memory of

Sunrise February 7, 1955

Sunset July 5, 2016

Robert Thomas, Jr.

<u>Service</u> Tuesday, July 12, 2016 - 11:00 a.m.

The New Hope Baptist Church

106 Sussex Avenue Newark, NJ 07103 **Pastor Joe A. Carter, Officiating**

<u>Obituary</u>

Robert Thomas Jr., was born on February 7, 1955, and departed this life on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 in Plainfield, NJ. He was the son of the late Robert and Gertrude Thomas. His final days were spent surrounded by family and friends that Robert had touched throughout his memorable life.

Robert attended Jefferson High School in Elizabeth, NJ. After graduation, he attended Virginia Union University in Richmond, VA and was employed as a correctional officer with the Virginia State Prison. Thereafter, he returned to New Jersey and was employed with Prudential as a computer programmer for over twenty years. He was an avid sports fan and loved the New York Knicks, Dallas Cowboys, and a good boxing match. He was a faithful member and served as a Deacon at The New Hope Baptist Church.

Robert is survived by his son; Robert Thomas III (Shameca) of Oxon Hill, MD, one grandchild, Robert Thomas IV, a brother, Ralph Thomas of Elizabeth, NJ, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Order of Service

Hymn of Comfort

Scriptures
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks (Limit to 2 minutes please)

Acknowledgments, Condolences Resolutions & Obituary

Selection

Eulogy
Pastor Joe A. Carter

Recessional

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Immediately following the Interment, the family will receive relatives and friends in the fellowship hall at The New Hope Baptist Church.

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times,

a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now. He set me free!

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Expression of Gratitude

We are grateful to all who helped us during our time of sorrow. Words can never express our deepest gratitude. A special thanks to Sam, Rich, Jerry, Todd, Denise, and The New Hope Baptist Church family.

Professional Services by:

Whigham Funeral Home

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