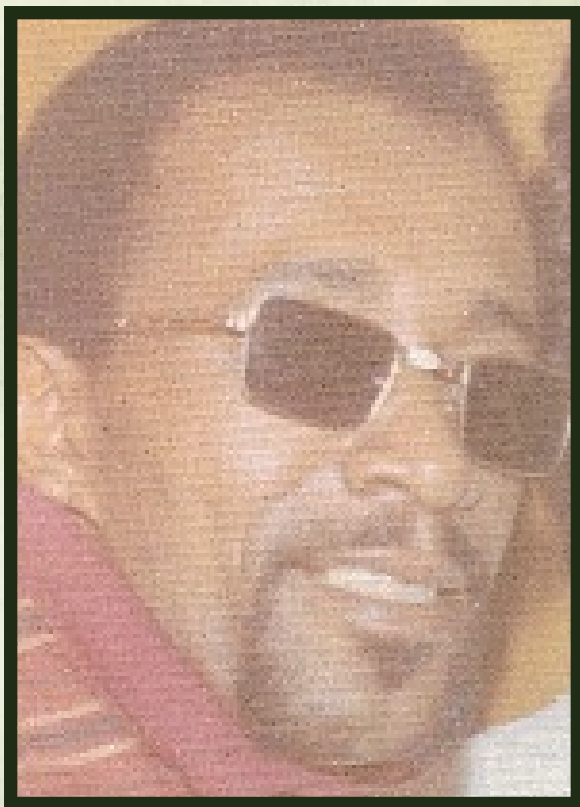




CELEBRATING THE LIFE  
OF

# LeRoy Cunningham, Sr.

*Homecoming: September 10, 1936 - Homegoing: August 14, 2016*



*Services:*

*Saturday, August 27, 2016 - 12:00 Noon*

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



## Obituary

*LeRoy Cunningham Sr. was born on September 10, 1936 to the late Dock and Lula Cunningham. He was one of eleven children. He migrated to Newark, NJ on January 1, 1937.*

*LeRoy was employed by Vitamin Corp of America, Rutgers the State University, Porter House Cleaning and Maintenance Co. And the Newark Public School system, from which he retired.*

*In 1954, he was united in holy matrimony to Wilma Franklin. Out of this Union the following children were born Linda, Brenda, LeRoy, Jr., Lula, Larry and Darlene.*

*LeRoy enjoyed raising pigeons for almost thirty-five years. One of his pigeons came in third place in competition, that was held in Irvington, NJ. LeRoy loved entertaining friends and family and occasionally fishing, but he was very very much into gardening as we all know.*

*LeRoy was predeceased by his parents, Dock and Lula Cunningham, wife, Wilma Franklin Cunningham, daughter, Eylese Josey, sisters, Lois Cunningham Hudson, Carrie Cunningham Miller, Lillian Cunningham Smith-Pope, Corrin Cunningham and brother, his brothers, Jimmy, Walter, David, George and Bill Cunningham.*

*Left to cherish his memories are: seven children, Linda A. bell (William Clemmons), Brenda L. Hargrove (George), LeRoy Cunningham, Jr., Lula Johnson, Larry Cunningham (Cecila), Chereese Josey and Darlene Cunningham; one sister, Bertha Cunningham Griffin (James); longtime companion, Kathalia Speller; nineteen grandchildren, twenty-six great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, cousins and friends.*

*Humbly Submitted  
The Family*

# Order of Service

Deacon George Hargrove, Officiating

Musical Selection..... "A Song For You" - (instrumental)

Hymn of Hope..... "Amazing Grace" - Kenny G (instrumental)

Scripture Reading

Old Testament..... Craig Bell

New Testament..... Allun Hargrove

Prayer of Comfort..... Minister Joseph Johnson, Jr.

Selection..... Hadren Simmons

Reflections (Mr. C and Me)..... (2 minutes please)

Condolences & Acknowledgements..... Dorian L. Johnson

Selection..... Deacon George Hargrove III

Obituary (Read Silently)..... Sabrina Bacon

"I Believe I Can Fly" (background sound)

Eulogy..... Rev. Dr. T. Durr

Invitation

Benediction

Recessional..... Clergy and Family

\*Congregation Stand

<p><u>INTERMENT</u> Rosehill Cemetery Linden, New Jersey</p>
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# *The Master Called*

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.  
My loved ones, oh so dear.  
But you see, the Master called me,  
His voice was very clear!  
I had made my reservation  
A heaven bound ticket for one,  
And I knew that He would call me  
When He felt my work was done.  
I know that your hearts are heavy  
Because I have gone away,  
But when the Master called me,  
I knew that I could not stay.  
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you  
My loved ones, oh so dear,  
But, you see, the Master called me  
And, now I'm resting here.  
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory  
And to you all I say  
Just stay in the hands of Jesus  
And we'll meet again someday.  
-Author unknown*

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family of the late LeRoy Cunningham Sr. wishes to express our deepest appreciation for the many expressions of sympathy extended to us during this time of bereavement. May God forever bless you and keep you in his care. We will remember your kindness.*

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