



Celebrating the Life
of
Walter McDonald Wattley

Sunrise
January 30, 1924

Sunset
August 28, 2016



Memorial Service
Saturday, September 3, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey
Rev. Edward Allen, Officiating



Order of Service

Processional

Opening Prayer of Consolation

First Reading
Old Testament - Psalm 23

Second Reading
New Testament

The Obituary

Song Selection

Acknowledgements of Condolences

The Eulogy

Closing Selection

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Rosedale Crematory
Orange, New Jersey

Obituary

Walter McDonald Wattle was born on January 30th, 1924 in St. Kitts, West Indies to the late Cassie Brown and Frank Wattle. He was the eldest of seven siblings. He departed this life on August 28th, 2016.

At the age of 19 years, he migrated to Trinidad and Tobago with his aunt, Marion Wattle Charles, where he worked for United States Naval Base in Chagaramus for over twenty years before he migrated once again to the United States in 1969.

Walter met and married his wife, Thelma Woods (deceased) in 1950. Together they had six children, Walter, Jr., Michael (Joeann), Vida (Wade), David (Catherine), Glendon (Kerine) and Marion (Ricky). Also born to Walter is his daughter, Neva Alexander Smith (Robert).

Walter had a talent for photography and built his own picture developing studio (dark room) in his kitchen where he developed and printed Black and White pictures.

While living in the US, Walter worked as a Supervisor in the Shipping Department of the Penn Products Company in Newark, NJ until he retired.

During his retirement, he enjoyed working Crossword and Find-a-Word puzzles, keeping his mind sharp. He loved a good Soccer match on the TV and often listen to the Christian or the Caribbean Radio Stations. He enjoyed his daily walks to the neighborhood deli, to Irvington Center or to visit his buddy Roger. He looked forward to phone calls from his sister, Elaine who currently resides in Manchester, England, UK or from his niece, Charmaine, who resides in Canada. He also enjoyed the pop up visits from Jimmy Alexander who resides in Central, NJ.

He leaves to mourn his seven children, seventeen grandchildren; sixteen great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, great nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends.

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He Only Took My Hand

*To all of you who cared for me,
please take heed and hear me
God didn't take me from you,
He only took my hand.*

*When I called out in pain that night,
the instant that I died,*

*God reached down to me,
and pulled me to His side.*

*He pulled me up and saved me
from all misery and pain,*

*My body hurt so badly,
I could never be the same.*

*My search is really over now,
for I've found happiness within,*

*All the answers to my questions,
and all the might have been.*

*I love you all and miss you so,
and I'll always be nearby,*

*My body's gone forever,
but my spirit will never die.*

*And so you must all go on now,
live only one day at a time,*

*Please try to understand,
God did not take me from you,*

He only took my hand.

Acknowledgement

With sincere appreciation, we wish to thank our many friends for their expressions of kindness during our bereavement for our loved one.

May God bless each of you.

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