

In Loving Memory of

Bernard Eugene Lilly

Sunrise: July 31, 1955

Sunset: October 4, 2016



Service

Tuesday, October 11, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Rev. Stephanie Ward, Officiating

Obituary

Bernard, better known as "**Butch**" to family and friends, was the sixth child born to James and Mary Lilly. As a child, Butch had a more quieter side while growing up in a large and energetic household, but in time he assumed the role of babysitter to his many nieces and nephews. They all loved "Uncle Butch". They were his children and he loved and cared for each and every one of them.

Butch's love for his family was never clouded by his personal struggles. He was kind. Honesty was a virtue that he lived by, and he was genuine...never pretentious. He was respectful to everyone, and in turn, expected to be treated the same. All who really knew him and loved him respected him as well.

Butch was a proud man, and throughout his difficult times that pride that he possessed fed his stamina and gave him the strength to endure. Butch may not have realized the power of his will in the physical sense, but in the spiritual sense that love and the kindness that he portrayed surely reflected that he knew God.

As our dearly beloved made his transition, he leaves to mourn: his siblings, Abdul Ali, Robert Lilly, Rebecca Parker, Vernon Lilly, Harold Lilly, and Anthony Lilly; sisters-in-law, Patricia Lilly and Nativida Ali; many nieces and nephews; and his few but caring friends.

We will miss you dearly, Butch, as we cherish the warm memories you leave with us. Rest in peace.



Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

New Testament - Psalm 121

Old Testament - John 14:1-6

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Rev. Stephanie Ward

Saint Luke's Baptist Church

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Forest Green Park Cemetery

Morganville, New Jersey

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!*

-author unknown

Acknowledgement

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May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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