

Walter L. Burgwyn, Sr.

Sunrise September 8, 1943

Sunset November 20, 2016



Saturday, November 29, 2016 - 9:00 a.m.

GREATER CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH

237 North 18th Street • East Orange, New Jersey

Interment

Graceland Memorial Park Cemetery Kenilworth, New Jersey

Repast

Blessed Sacrament RC Church 610 Clinton Ave. (Corner of Van Ness) Newark NJ 07108

<u>Obituary</u>

Walter L. Burgwyn Sr.-was born on September 8, 1943 in Jackson, NC. He lived a full life being true to himself, his family and friends until he was called home to be with the Lord on November 20, 2016 at the age of 73.

Walter was born to the late Jimmy and Lorraine Burgwyn of Jackson, NC and he attended the education system of North Hampton County. Around the age of 18, Walter journeyed to New Jersey and was employed at Greystone Park Psychiatric Hospital, Mountainside Hospital and retired after 30 plus years from Lucent Technologies as an ICM Mechanic.

In 1965, he met the love of his life Sharon Gabriel and on September 28, 1968 they were united in marriage. Walter added to the marriage his eldest son Anthony and through Walter and Sharon's loving union came the birth of Danette and Walter Jr.

Walter was a man who lived by the motto "Love is an Action". He practiced this daily to his family, friends and neighbors. Walter had a passion for learning black history, working on his cars, Nascar Racing and in his younger days would "Always" be down for a good street race. He was a big "Giants Fan" and he put a lot of love into his cooking, grilling and baking.

Walter is predeceased by his father, Jimmy Burgwyn Sr., mother, Lorraine Burgwyn, grandson, Khari' J Kelling.

He leaves to keep cherished memories his wife, Sharon M. Burgwyn, three children, Anthony Monroe, Danette (Kelling) and Walter Burgwyn Jr. nine granddaughters, Ja-Donna Monroe, Tiara Monroe, Nyya Burgwyn, Deja, Imani, Imari and Zhane' Kelling, Ahnyae Mitchell and Chelah Byers, one great-grandson, Dereck Taylor Jr. Walter also leaves six siblings Amy Moses, Hattie (Eugene) Smith, Lucy Burgwyn, Jimmy Burgwyn Jr., Willie Burgwyn and Barbara Burgwyn.

Walter will also be greatly missed by a multitude of sisters and brothers by marriage, nieces, nephews extended family and friends

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When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me. I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared,

Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart.

Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go. -author unknown

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

The family of Walter L. Burgwyn **Sr.** would like to express their sincere appreciation to Pastor Niles R. Wilson and the Greater Cornerstone BC. Father Albert Nzeh and the Blessed Sacrament RC Church, Cotton Funeral Service and all who have shown love during the passing of our love one.

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