

*A Celebration of Life, Labor and Legacy
for*

Elder Don Childress

Sunrise: May 22, 1968 - Sunset: January 6, 2017



Service

Sunday, January 22, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.

HEAVEN OF EARTH C.O.G.I.C

568 New Lotts Avenue • Brooklyn, New York

Obituary

On May 22, 1968 in Brooklyn, New York, Don Childress was born to Joshua Dail and Yvonne Childress. While matriculating through the New York City school system, Don's mother passed on March 28, 1979 leaving him to be raised by his now deceased grandmother, Mo. Julia Childress, along with his other siblings.

After accepting Christ as his Lord and savior at an early age, years passed and Don Childress joined Gospel Temple, C.O.G.I.C. pastored by Pastor Jones Wren who nurtured him in the gospel while taking him under his wings as a spiritual father figure. Don Childress grew in the Lord and eventually followed the leading of the Spirit and moved his membership to Heaven on Earth Family Worship Center, C.O.G.I.C., which was pastored by the late Pastor Jimmy Wren, Sr. It was at this time Eld. Childress ventured out in the Evangelism field, preaching at other Ministries and leading lost souls to Christ. He also worked in the Security Department, and assisted the Pastor in many areas. After Pastor Jimmy Wren, Sr. went home to be with the Lord, Eld. Don Childress stayed in the Ministry which was and remains to be pastored by Supt. Douglas Howard while gleaning more of God's word under this dynamic Ministry.

While doing the work of the Lord, Eld. Don Childress met, wooed, and married the love of his life, Shawnette Smith in 1993 to which was added to this union in 1995, one son, Deshawn Childress. After several years of bliss, Christ, never making a mistake, called Sis. Shawnette Childress home on May 2, 2013. Never counting it robbery, Eld. Don Childress was a loving husband, father, friend, brother, uncle, co-worker and comforter to all whom he met. He loved playing chess and often played in tournaments.

Eld. Don Childress realized part of being a man was to be an example, uphold, provide, protect, lead and guide his family, so for the past twenty-eight (28) years until his passing, Don was gainfully employed by U.P.S. as a mechanic. He loved his job and was dutiful in his commitment to responsibilities.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his father, Joshua Dail; son, Deshawn Childress; brothers, Vincent Dail and Michael Childress; sisters, Patricia Childress and Telicia Childress; uncle, Raynoil Childress; two god sisters, Personna' A. Russell and Tieraney Glover; best friends, Simmie Hicks, Jeffery Snipe and Vincent Taylor; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and god-children.

Order of Service

Officiate.....Supt. Jones Wren, Gospel Temple COGIC

Musical Prelude

Processional

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Benoni Wren

Scripture Readings

Old Testament - Psalm 46.....Elder Antonio Tosa

New Testament - 1 Corinthians 15:51-58.....Elder James Connelly

Hymn....."Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"

Ministry of Music.....The Fellowship Choir

Reflections (Two Minutes Please).....Church and Friends

Reflections from Fellowship.....Pastor Ross Myree

Family Tributes

Acknowledgements

Cards, Telegrams, Resolutions, Obituary.....Evang. Patricia Wren
Dr. Earnestine Lawrence

Acknowledgements of Speaker/Reflections
Pastor Clarence Sexton, Jr., Chairman

Eulogist.....Pastor Douglas Howard

Interment

Mt. Rest Cemetery
Butler, New Jersey



“Together Forever”

2 Timothy 4:7

*I have fought a good fight,
I have finished my course,
I have kept the faith:*

Acknowledgement

The family of **Elder Don Childress** wishes to express their heart felt thanks to all those whose prayers and expressions of kindness have given great comfort and strength during this time of sorrow. We are eternally grateful and want to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation.

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