

In Loving Memory of



John Thomas Legrand

November 26, 1958 - February 4, 2017

Celebration of Life

Thursday, February 16, 2017 - 6:00 PM

Cathedral at Greater Faith

4214 White Plains Road
Bronx, New York 10466

Obituary

John Thomas Legrand, the son of the late JT Legrand and Mary Legrand, was born on November 26, 1958 in Tuskegee, Alabama. Shortly after his birth the family migrated to New York, where he attended school in the NYC public school system. He went on to secure positions in security and maintenance for various institutions. As a child his favorite place was the family kitchen. Spending time learning the tricks of the trade with his Mom, whom he cherished dearly preparing meals for the family. His favorite task was cleaning the mixing spoon! As he grew older he became proficient around the kitchen, cooking huge meals and desserts during the holidays to impress and share with his family. John was the second child of eight children. He loved being the big brother, lending an ear and offering kind words to each of his brothers and sisters. John truly loved bonding with his family and his community. He was a loving and devoted father to Little John and Christian. He was affectionately known as “Big John” to family and friends. As a result of his generous spirit by his mom, pleasant personality by his mom, and natural ability by his mom, to make everyone laugh, he was loved by many. He cherished the spiritual guidance, faith and love of his mother.

John was united in holy matrimony to his long time neighbor and friend Julian Jones. Soon after their union, he professed his faith in Jesus Christ and joined the Cathedral at Greater Faith. He couldn't have been prouder of himself than when he became a Deacon at the church. John's beautiful life will always be cherished by all who knew him. He quietly departed this life on Saturday, February 4, 2017. John is survived by his wife Julian Legrand (Yonkers, NY), two sons John Thomas Legrand Jr. (Washington, DC) and Christian Legrand (Yonkers, NY), his mother Mary Legrand (Tuskegee, Alabama), sisters Katie Legrand (Bronx, NY), Brenda Legrand (Yonkers, NY), Barbara Polly (Yonkers, NY), Verlisa Legrand (Orlando, FL), Phyllis Legrand (Allentown,PA) brothers Marvin Legrand (Tuskegee, AL), and Damon Louis Legrand (Syracuse, NY), 8 grandchildren, a host of devoted nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. Big John was loved and cherished by his mother, brothers and sisters.

Order of Service

Processional

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament - Psalm 23 read by Kevin Miller, Friend

New Testament - John 14 vs. 1-7 read by Johnnie Davis, Friend

2 Corinthians 5 vs. 6-8 ... read by Maria Colon, Friend

Obituaryread by Sheila Johnson, Friend

Selection

Reflections

Poem From Heaven written by Marvin Legrand
read by John Gore, Friend

Selection

Eulogy

Final Viewing as directed by T. Carrillo Funeral Service Staff

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Interment

Friday, February 17, 2017

Christ Church Cemetery

South Amboy, NJ

A Poem from Heaven.....

As the days go by and not hearing my voice.. I'm free family and friends my God has made his choice.. I traded my suits and shoes for a long white robe.. And a pair of soft slippers and the color was gold... So live your lives and praise The Lord as you suppose to be.. I'm here in heaven with The Lord waiting with open arms just you wait and see.. Now family I know that you love me, as much as I love you.. I'll be around often in your hearts and to help see you through.. So bye for now and I love you which will never grow old.. Let mama know I just touched the hem of the lords garment and I was made whole.

Written by: Marvin Legrand

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation for all acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy that was shown to them during this time of bereavement.

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