# Celebrating The Life of Thomas Roosevelt Taliaferro, Sr.

Sunrise September 6, 1941 Sunset February 18, 2017

Saturday, March 4, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

**COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH** 

224 First Street Englewood, New Jersey Rev. Lester Taylor, Pastor

## Reflections of Life

**Thomas R. Taliaferro, Sr.** was called to rest on Saturday, February 18, 2017, at the age of 75 in Farmville, VA. He was born on September 6, 1941 in Cumberland County, VA to the late Mr. Willie Taliaferro and Ms. Betty Langhorne.

Thomas was educated in the local schools in Cumberland County. He was a Self Employed Contractor by trade. He was a member of Corner Stone Baptist Church in Farmville, VA. He was also a former Paterson Housing Police Officer.

An outdoorsman, Thomas enjoyed hunting, fishing and he loved to DJ as well.

Thomas was preceded in death by his stepmother, Ida Taliaferro.

Thomas leaves to cherish precious memories: two sons Russell Taliaferro, Sr. and Thomas Taliaferro, Jr. both of Virginia Beach VA; three daughters Felicia D. Taliaferro of Hackensack, NJ; Deanna M. Garris (Douglas, Sr.) of Paterson, NJ; Audra L. Gordon (Gregory) of Clifton, NJ; fifteen grandchildren Dorian Hall of Plainfield, NJ; Dexter Gregory (Garris) of Paterson, NJ; Jacquiem Taliaferro of Atlanta, GA; Jordan Taliaferro of Bloomfield, NJ; Stephen Young of MD, Russell Taliaferro, Jr. of VA, Douglas Garris, Jr. of Philadelphia, PA, Tianna Taliaferro and Thomas Taliaferro III of MD, Tony Jordan, Nikki Jordan and Diamond Taliaferro of Paterson, NJ.; three great grandchildren Connor, Amari and Madison and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

## Order of Service

Processional of Family and Final Viewing

Invocation

Opening Hymn/Solo.....Tianna Taliaferro

Scripture Reading
Old Testament - Psalm 23
New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 5:13-18

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection/Selection

**Expressions of Condolences** 

Reflections from Friends, Family, Clergy Douglas Garris, Jr. Russell Taliaferro Audra Gordon

The Reading of the Reflections of Life

Musical Selection/Solo

The Message of Hope......Rev. Lester Taylor

Closing Hymn

The Benediction

Recessional

#### **Interment**

George Washington Memorial Park 234 Paramus Rd., Paramus, 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

The family of the late **Thomas Roosevelt Taliaferro**, **Sr.** wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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