

Celebrating the Life of



Thomas C. Berkley

Sunrise: July 4, 1958

Sunset: May 1, 2017

Service

Friday, May 12, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.

2352 8th Avenue • New York, NY 10027

Minister David Copeland, Officiating

Rev. David Jenkins, Organist

Obituary

Thomas C. Berkley was born in Oak Hill, West Virginia on July 4, 1958 and he left this earth on May 1, 2017 at the age of 58.

He attended P.S. 79, Cooper High School and Mt. Loretta in Staten Island, New York. He obtained work with a Commercial Drivers License and was a commercial union carpenter. Over the years he worked for (FCI) Furniture Consultants Inc., (TOPS) Total Office Planning Services and Tiffany's as an office furniture installer.

"Tom", as he was affectionately called by his love ones, was a sharp dresser, a wonderful dancer and a fun loving friend and brother.

He was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Claudie Moore and Irene Berkley; his grandfather, Willie Berkley; parents, William E. Berkley and Odessa Lee Berkley; and ex-wife, Debra Porter Berkley.

Left to cherish his memory: his sons, Lamont Berkley and Tyrell Berkley; daughter, Chanel Montgomery; loving companion, Sharon Montgomery; brothers, Earl S. Young (Marion), Gregory C. Berkley, William C. Berkley and Dale C. Berkley; sisters, Yvonne C. Mims, Yvette C. Berkley, Yalonda K. Berkley and Henyetta P. Allen; three aunts, Frazetta Woodson, Rosalyn Greaux and Janny Wilson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Readings

Prayer

Solo

Charles Hill

Acknowledgements

Remarks

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

New Address

Debra Copeland

Committal

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

*Forest Green Memorial Park
Morganville, New Jersey*

Repast

*2301 5th Avenue
New York, NY*

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 acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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