

*Celebrating a Life Well Lived*

*John Ferdinand Welsh, Sr.*

**Sunrise:**

November 23, 1924

**Sunset:**

July 5, 2017



**Service**  
**Tuesday, July 11, 2017 ~ 11:00 am**

**Second Baptist Church**

**200 Locust Street  
Roselle, New Jersey 07203**

***Rev. James E. Moore, Sr., Pastor***  
***Bishop Wayne L. Johnson, Eulogist***

# Order Of Service

Musical Prelude

A Parting View.....“What A Wonderful World”  
by Lonnie Youngblood - The Family

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Musical Selection.....“I Bowed on My Knees”

Words of Comfort.....Kathleen Dufresne, Granddaughter

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary (*read silently*).....“He Was Beautiful”

Solo.....“My Way”.....Lonnie Youngblood

Eulogy.....Bishop Wayne L. Johnson  
Bibleway Deliverance Center Church  
Roselle, New Jersey

Military Honors

Committal

Recessional

**Entombment**

Garden of Memories Mausoleum  
Paramus, New Jersey

*Immediately after the Entombment, Family and Friends are invited to Return to the Church where a Repast will be served.*

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*Services Entrusted To:*

**G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC**

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*“Where Our Sympathy Expresses Itself Through Sincere Service”*

# *A Wonderful Man - A Wonderful Life*

*John Ferdinand Welsh, Sr.* passed away on Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at University Medical Center at Princeton in Plainsboro at the age of 92 after a lengthy and valiant struggle with multiple medical complications.

John was born on November 23, 1924 in Roselle, New Jersey, son of the late Pearl Myrtle (nee) Watkins and Harte Winston Welsh. After graduation from Abraham Clark High School, he enlisted in the United States Coast Guard Merchant Marines serving in World War II.

Upon his discharge, John married his high school sweetheart, Elizabeth Williams whom he affectionately called "Betty" or "Dove."

John was a Sergeant with the New York/New Jersey Port Authority, retiring after 20 years of service. His last assignment was at the World Trade Center. Not one to be idle, he began a second career as a Manager at ITT in New York and Nutley, New Jersey, retiring in 1992.

John enjoyed traveling with his wife whether it was through his work or during his leisure time. They were always together. He also enjoyed entertaining at home and John and Betty were gracious hosts. His pride and joy were his granddaughters and great-grandchildren. His loving, caring and giving was a beautiful sight to behold.

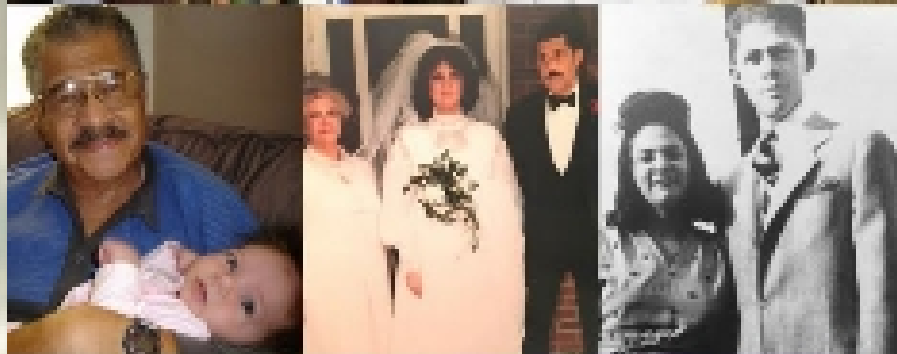
He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Elizabeth "Betty" Welsh; brother, George Winston; sister, Iris Evelyn Daniels; son, John Ferdinand, Jr.; and grandson, John Ferdinand Welsh III.

He is survived by two daughters: Elizabeth Befumo and Sharon Buzzard; two granddaughters: Melissa Bethony (Joseph) and Kathleen Dufresne (Kevin); four great-grandchildren: Natalie, Mason, John and Grace; nephew, Kim Daniels; niece, Brenda Lewis; his cousins and extended family: Martha, Tracy, Dean, Richard, Nacole and Jordin; he also leaves the most wonderful care givers who worked tirelessly providing him with abundant love and tender care that John and his family appreciated more than words can express; thanks to Rose Fleming, Keisha Thompson, Samantha Maina and Kerline Mercedal.

John will be so missed by all who came in contact with him.

Humbly submitted,  
The Family

# *"Precious Memories"*





*“Precious Memories”*



*Pallbearers*

Family and Friends of **John Ferdinand Welsh, Sr.**



*“John and Elizabeth Together Again”*

*Afterglow*

We'd like the memory of us to be a happy one  
We'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when the life is done.  
We'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways  
of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.  
We'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun  
of happy memories that we leave behind when the day is done.  
By Helen Lowrie Marshall

*Acknowledgement*

The family of **John Ferdinand Welsh, Sr.** would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for the many thoughtful acts of kindness, support and concern extended to us during this time of bereavement.  
Thank you and May god richly bless you.

