Homegoing Service Celebrating a Life Well Lived



Trustee Arnell G. Gambrell

"Doorkeeper in the House of the Lord"

Service

Saturday, August 19, 2017 ~ 10:00 am

Union Gospel Tabernacle of Newark

756 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Newark, New Jersey

Elder Ricardo Jones, Pastor Minister Eleanor Weeks, Officiating



Life Reflections

Ps. 84:10 "...I'd rather be a Doorkeeper in the House of my Lord than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."

Trustee Arnell Gonscler Gambrell began his journey through this life on February 27, 1926 in Greenville, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Mr. Walker and Mrs. Lula Jane Gambrell and was the ninth of 15 children. Arnell was educated in the Greenville county school system. Later he was inducted into the United States Army where he served with the 24th Deacon Chemical Outfit in Fort Bragg, North Carolina. While in service, he met his sweetheart, Mary "Louise" Gambrell and they married in 1951. They moved to Newark, New Jersey for better economic opportunities and would eventually settle in Scotch Plains, New Jersey. During their 66 years of marriage, they reared three daughters, Reverend Dr. Brenda Stamper, Ms. Gail Gambrell and Mrs. Sharon Gambrell-McDonald.

Arnell retired from Western Electric located in Kearney, New Jersey in 1984 as a Machine Operator for more than 25 years. Although he retired, he enjoyed working so much that he continued working for Vogel and Barker Bus companies. His final position was a Crossing Guard for the Township of Scotch Plains where he resigned at the ripe age of 80.

Trustee Gambrell accepted Christ as his personal savior in 1952. He joined Union Gospel Tabernacle in 1954 under the leadership of the late Elder John Wilkins and gave 63 years of faithful and devoted service.

Through the years, you could always find Trustee Gambrell at his post "Standing for Jesus" as he was truly an Usher extraordinaire. You would find him welcoming visitors and members with his warm smile as he escorted them to their seats. Whenever he would lead the choirs or the ushers in an Usher's Grand March or drill; it was a pleasure to watch him perform with precision and pageantry. He had the honor of serving as the president of the Usher's Board for approximately 20 years. He also served as Vice President of the North New Jersey District Usher's Union and Northern District Ushers. He served the church in many other capacities: on the Governing Board of the Bible Church School, Sanctuary Choir, Male Chorus and the Men's Club. He loved his church and served with honor and dedication.

Trustee Gambrell walked in the spirit of humility. He believed that if you cannot do great things for the Lord; then cheerfully and dutifully do the little things. Make service for Christ and the church first in your life. He loved the Lord, his family and church. Trustee Gambrell taught his family to love one another, demonstrated a good work ethic and how to respect yourself and others. He finished his journey on Wednesday, August 9, 2017.

Trustee Arnell Gambrell was preceded in death by his wife, Mary "Louise" Gambrell; son, James Greer; sisters: Bessie Smith, Odena Smith, Demetra Bynum and Eleanor Jones; brothers: Johnny Gambrell, Charlie "Jud" Gambrell, R. C. Gambrell, Alvin "Ike" Gambrell, James "Gene" Gambrell, Columbus Gambrell and J.W. Gambrell.

He leaves to cherish fond memories, his three daughters: Rev. Dr. Brenda Stamper of Roselle, NJ, Gail Gambrell of Piscataway, NJ, Sharon Gambrell-McDonald and husband, LaSalle McDonald of Edison, NJ; two sisters: Irene Reilly of Greenville, NC and Azree Brunner of Simpsonville, NC; brother, Charles K. Gambrell of Mauldin, NC; three grandsons: Danyell Stamper of Clayton Delaware, Moreal Stamper of Newark, NJ and LaSalle McDonald III of Edison, NJ; eight great-grandchildren; and a host of relatives and friends.

Humbly submitted, The Family

Order of Service

Organ Prelude

The Recessional

Processional Opening Hymn......Choir The Reading of the Scriptures Old Testament: Psalms 90:1-10 New Testament: 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 **Prayer of Comfort** Selection..... Remarks......Bishop Wayne L. Johnson, Bibleway Deliverance Center Church, Roselle, NJ Trustee Lester Ellis, Chairman of the Governing Board Emma Taylor, President of the Usher Board **Northern District Usher Board** Solo......Sister Rachel Hester **Expressions from the Clergy and Friends (Limit 2 minutes)** Family Tribute...... Daughters: Rev. Dr. Brenda Stamper, Gail Gambrell, Sharon McDonald Grandsons: Moreal Stamper and LaSalle A. McDonald III The Usher's Grand March Acknowledgements Telegrams and Condolences......Sister Jean Cleveland **Obituary (Read Silently) Final Viewing**

Entombment

Woodbridge Memorial Gardens
Woodbridge, New Jersey

Immediately following the Entombment, Family and Friends are invited to return to the Church where a Repast will be served.

Services Entrusted To:

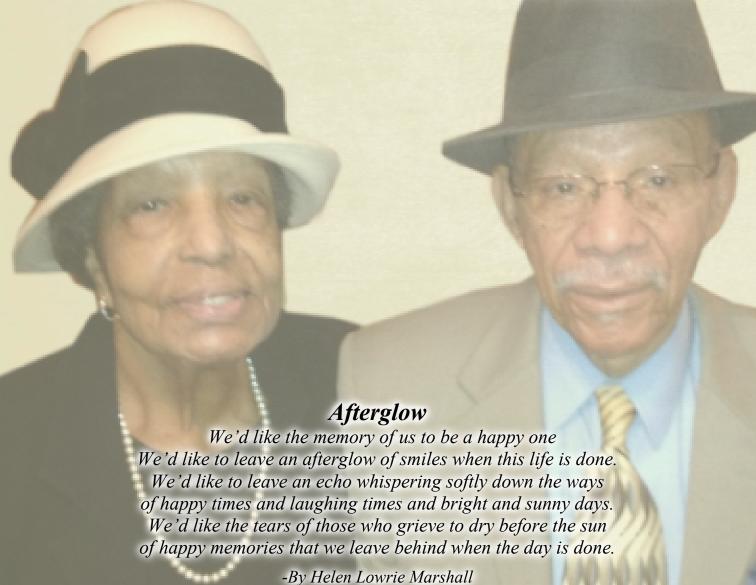
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Pallbearers Family and Friends of Trustee Arnell G. Gambrell

"Arnell and Louise Together Again"



Acknowledgement

The Gambrell family wishes to sincerely thank you for joining us today as we bid farewell to our precious gift.

Your care, concern and love extended during this time have brought much comfort. The family also gratefully acknowledges each of you who have expressed love and concern through your prayers, visits, floral tributes and all other expressions of sympathy.