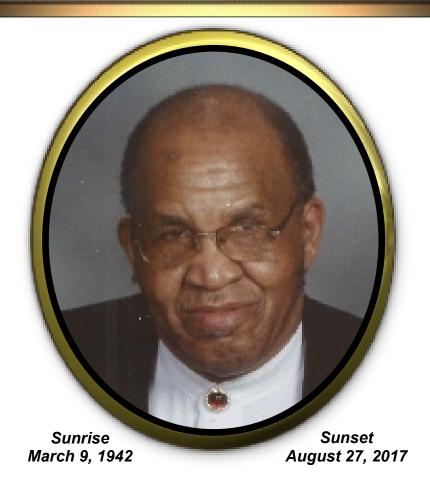
Celebrating The Life of Joseph Sumter, Sr.



Thursday, September 7, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

CHRIST TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

38 Hopper Street
Paterson, New Jersey
Rev. Brian Collins, Officiating
Jed Latimer, Organist



Reflections of Life

Joseph Sumter was born March 9, 1942 in Hopkins, South Carolina to the late Robert Sr and Francina (Jones) Sumter. He departed this early life on Sunday August 27, 2017.

Joseph was educated in the public schools of Richland County, SC and at an early age was baptized at Zion Pilgrim Baptist Church South Carolina.

Upon moving to Paterson, NJ he married the love of his life of 54 years to Francenia Tucker, that union produced four children.

Mr. Sumter was employed at Walco Linck (T.A.T) till his retirement after years of dedicated services. He was a very kind and caring man. He was a loving husband and one of his greatest joys in life was his children. He enjoys being a proud grandfather that smiles when the grandkids call him papa and granddaddy.

Mr. Sumter was a faithful member of Christ Temple Baptist Church Paterson, NJ that enjoys being a member of the Male Chorus Choir, Men in Action and The Male Chorus Association. He loves singing and listen to gospel music a couple of his favorite songs Cooling Waters and Lay down My Life for the Lord.

Addition to his parents, Joseph was preceded in death by grandson Marquette Ricks, four sisters: Wilhelmenia S. Goodwin, WillieMae Brown, Annie Mae S. Mann, Mary Sumter (his twin); one brother James Sumter.

Joseph leaves to cherish precious memories: his wife Francenia T. Sumter, two sons Joseph Sumter Jr from Washington DC, Patrick Sumter (Paterson, NJ). Two daughters Gail Renee Sumter (Waynesboro, VA), Veronica Williams (Paterson, NJ), Son-in-law Michael Williams. Nine grandchildren-Dushawn, Shaquell, Antwaun, Cory, Fatimah, Michael Jr, Qawi, Mia Rose, Katelyn. Three brothers Robert (Alma) Sumter of Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, Leroy Sumter (Paterson, NJ) and Roosevelt (Annie) Sumter of Columbia South Carolina. Sister-in-law Estelle Carroll, Brother-in-laws Tyrone, James Ruben, Ronald, all from Philadelphia, PA. And eight great-grands, a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends and church family.

Order of Service

Officiating: Rev. Brian Collins

Prelude	
Processional	
Hymn of Praise	
Scripture Old Testament New Testament	
Prayer of Comfort	
Selection	Choir
Poem	Granddaughters Fatimah & Mia Rose Grandson Antwaun
Reflection of life	Son Joseph Jr & Daughter Veronica
Special Remarks	(2 minutes please)
Acknowledgements	
Obituary	
Selection	Choir
Eulogy	Rev. Brian Collins
Recessional	

Interment
East Ridgelawn Cemetery Clifton, New Jersey

The Master Called

I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!

I had made my reservation A heaven bound ticket for one. And I knew that He would call me When He felt my work was done. I know that your hearts are heavy Because I have gone away, But when the Master called me. I knew that I could not stav. Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you My loved ones, oh so dear, But, you see, the Master called me And, now I'm resting here. Yes, I've crossed on over to glory And to you all I say Just stay in the hands of Jesus And we'll meet again someday.

-Author unknown

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The Sumter family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, kindness and support shown during our time of sorrow. Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers.

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