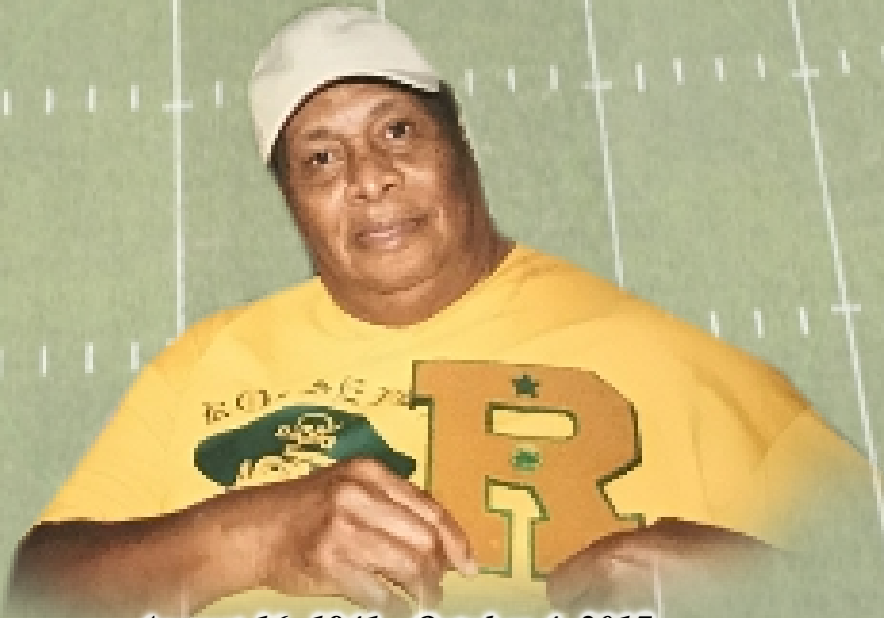


Farewell

Dale L. Fields



August 16, 1941 - October 4, 2017

“Any man can be a father but it takes a special person to be a DAD”

Service

Wednesday, October 11, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

929 Dill Avenue • Linden, New Jersey

Rev. Dr. Derrick Dumas, Officiating

Obituary

Dale Leonard Fields was born August 16, 1941 in Alcoma, FL. He was the fifth child of seven children born to the late Reverend Dr. Samuel and Ruth Fields. Dale received his primary and secondary education in Lake Wales, FL and was a proud graduate of Roosevelt High School's class of 1959.

Dale had the desire to further his education; therefore, he enrolled at Edward Waters College in Jacksonville, FL, where he obtained a Social Science degree. He later enrolled in graduate school where he studied Psychology at Jersey City State College. He also earned an Early Childhood Development degree at Kean University.

Dale came to New Jersey in the late 1960's. He worked for the Essex County Welfare Board as a social worker, Cranford Learning Center as a teacher, New Jersey Job Corps as a counselor, and finally at Grace Wilday and Abraham Clark High School as an ISS Coordinator.

Dale married Patricia Span on December 28, 1973. From this union, Dale Michael Samuel was born. Dale and Pat enjoyed many cruises and vacations. Entertaining at home was one of Dale's greatest pleasures.

A great father, not only to his own children, he was affectionately called "BIG DADDY" by many of his students in Roselle. He was a mentor and advocate to numerous students who sought his advice. He counseled and directed countless children down the right path.

Dale loved to laugh, tell stories, and was a fantastic cook. His family looked forward to his backyard fish fries, dinners, and annual New Year's Day brunch. Dale was an avid sports fan, especially of the Roselle Rams and the New York Giants.

Dale was a former member of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Roselle where he was a part of their scholarship committee. While in Florida he was a member of the First Institutional Missionary Baptist Church.

Organizations that Dale was a member of included Lake Wales Branch NAACP, Edward Waters College National Alumni Association, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Committee.

His memory will be cherished by his wife, Patricia, his children, Dale Michael (Cary), Martin (Charisse), Kathleen, Derrick from FL, and Kevin (Vivian) from CT; a brother, Alfonso (Lucinda) from FL, a sister, Eula from FL, sisters-in-law, Emma Fields from FL and Kathleen McLean from NJ, and a host of grandchildren.

Order of Service

Musical Prelude “Blessed Assurance”

Processional

Family Final Viewing

Scriptures

Old Testament - Lamentations 3:22-26

New Testament - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Prayer of Comfort

Selection Deacon Lawrence Lawson
First Park Baptist Church
Plainfield, NJ

Acknowledgements Deaconess Lorraine Journigan

Obituary Chimere McLean

Family Reflections Chris McLean
Jarrel, Janae, Jalen and Mychaela
Marty, Patty and Mike

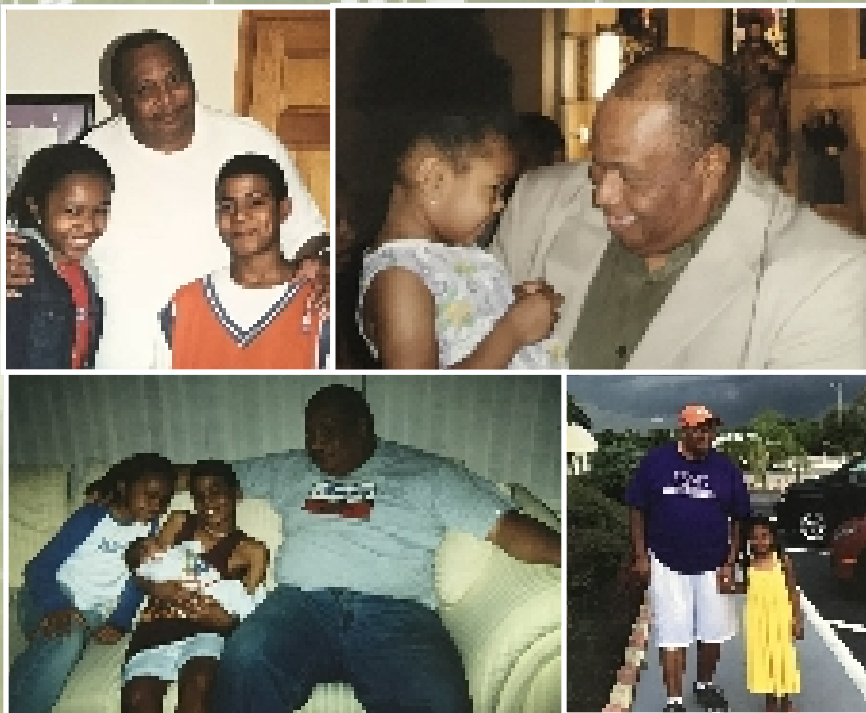
Selection Cynthia Wilson

Eulogy Bishop Wayne Johnson
Bibleway Deliverance Center

Recessional

Interment
Rosehill Cemetery • Linden, New Jersey

Repast
First Baptist Church



*“A Grandfather is someone
with silver in his hair
and gold in his heart”*

Acknowledgements

The family would like to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for all acts of kindness shown to them during their time of bereavement.

