



In Loving Memory of
Jesse Carlton Spain

April 9, 1937 – October 11, 2017

Service

Thursday, October 19, 2017 - 11:00 A.M.

ST. PETER CLAVER CATHOLIC CHURCH

56 Elmwood Ave • Montclair, New Jersey, 07042

Reverend Zephyrin K. Katompa, Officiating

Order of Service

Processional	Reverend and Family
Entrance Hymn	“Amazing Grace”
Opening Prayer	Reverend Katompa
First Reading	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 Patricia Rawls
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 23 The Lord is My Shepherd
Second Reading	Revelation 21:1-5a, 6b-7 Michelle Spain
Gospel	Reverend Katompa A reading from the Holy Gospel
Homily	Reverend Katompa
Prayer of the Faithful	
Offertory Song	“The Lord’s Prayer” Alton Jones
The Sign of Peace	Congregation
Communion	Congregation
Communion Meditation	Organist
Family Remarks	Michelle Spain-Allen
Recessional	“How Great Thou Art”

Interment

Immaculate Conception Cemetery
Montclair, New Jersey

Obituary

Jesse Carlton Spain was born on April 9, 1937 in Montclair, New Jersey to the late James and Dorothy Spain. He was the youngest of seven siblings that included Jacqueline, Barbara, James, Jerrie, Wallace, and Dorothy.

Jesse grew up in a religious family and served as an altar boy with his two brothers. His parents were active members of St. Peter Clavers Roman Catholic Church.

Jesse attended Seton Hall University for two years. Realizing that his true passion was in the emerging field of television broadcasting, he transferred to the R.C.A. Institutes. Upon graduation he began a successful career in television broadcasting that spanned over 50 years. His career included becoming a Technical Director for the New York Public Broadcasting Services. Later in his career, he was a broadcast engineer for the CBS Corporation, where he retired after 35 years of distinguished service.

In 1959, he married Joan Parkinson, a school teacher and moved to East Elmhurst, New York. They were later blessed with one lovely daughter, Michelle. Jesse was devoted to his family and they enjoyed many outings with friends and family and traveled to Canada and Jamaica.

Jesse was a real Renaissance man. His interests included photography, jazz music, art, gourmet food and wine. Over his lifetime, he built an extensive library upwards of 5,000, that included rare and collectible books.

Jesse was preceded in death by his brothers James Spain, and Wallace Spain, and sisters Jacqueline Bennett, and Jerrie Patricia Randall.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife Joan Spain, his daughter Michelle Spain-Allen, and his grandson, Martin Allen; Dennis Allen, his son-in-law, and two siblings Barbara Turner and Dorothy Imogene Jenkins, and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, other relatives and many dear friends.

GOD'S GARDEN

*God looked around His garden
And found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.
He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb,
So He closed your weary eyelids
And whispered "Peace be thine".
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.*

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to them during this hour of bereavement.

May God Bless and Keep You!

The Spain Family

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