"Going Home"



Sunrise May 2, 1940 Sunset December 24, 2017

In Loving Memory OUR DAD

Your life was a blessing
Your memory a treasure...
You are loved beyond words

And will be missed beyond measure...

Your remembrance is our keepsake

With which we'll never part...

GOD has yo<mark>u</mark> in his keeping We'll hold you forever in our hearts...

Dad was, and always will be

An impeccable stature of heroism and calvary; Who has never failed to show his undying love for his family...

Your Loving Daughters









## <u>Obituary</u>

**Charles H. Windham**, son of the late Hilliard and Marguerite Windham, was born on May 2, 1940 in Sumter, South Carolina. Charles made his transition on Sunday, December 24, 2017.

Charles accepted Christ into his life and was a member of Welcome Baptist Church located in Newark, New Jersey. He loved Sunday School.

At an early age, Charles relocated to Newport News, Virginia where he attended school. He retired from Greystone State Hospital as a truck driver after 37 years of service. He was very dedicated to his job and had an outstanding work ethic. Always reporting to work before the start of his shift.

Charles was well known in his community and was often referred to as, "The Mayor". He enjoyed talking to any and everyone. He also loved to talk "SMACK!" He would crack a joke at the drop of a hat. Charles was an excellent cook; always making his gravy from scratch. Some of his signature dishes were his homemade soup and smothered pork chops. He loved Margaret's macaroni and cheese.

In the wee hours of the morning, disturbing the neighbors, you would find him; sweeping, blowing leaves, and snow blowing in order to keep his community clean. If it was broken, Charles could **FIX IT!** He loved socializing with the fellas at Bob's Barber Shop rocking his NY Giants gear.

On August 31, 1968, Charles married Margaret Brown. They celebrated 49 memorable years of marriage, and from this union were born two

daughters; Mikisha Little (Almone) and Setonya Horton (Anthony "Tony"); six grandchildren, Déja, Maia, Dylan, Morgan, Maison, and Reagan.

Charles was predeceased by his sister Carrie "Doll" Roberts (Houston) and brothers Carl "Nick" (Helenia) and Richard Windham (the late Sadie).

He leaves four sisters-in-law; Helenia Windham, Rory Anderson (the late Eugene "Twoson"), Cheryl Waters (Stephen), Rhondelle Tidwell (David); one aunt; Mae Ruth Cooke; two goddaughters, Tanaya Berden (Robert) and Caleisha Slade and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Lovingly Submitted, The Family

> Precious Awesome Positive Amazing

Caring
Humble
Active
Respectful
Loving &
Extra
Special

By: Morgan S. Horton Granddaughter

#### <u>Service</u> Wednesday, January 3, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.

Welcome Baptist Church

234 12th Avenue • Newark, New Jersey *Rev. Dr. Elijah L. Williams, Jr., Pastor* 

## Order of Service

Opening Hymn of Praise

Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Consolation

Selection by the Choir

Remarks

Obituary

Acknowledgments, Condolences, Resolutions

Solo

Eulogy

Benediction

Recessional

#### **Interment**

Rosedale Cemetery Orange, New Jersey

#### Speak

I heard a whisper in the background somewhere,
It was as if I was floating on air.
And then I realized it was God coming near,
I have questions that of course I will ask,
Let me see if I can take him to task.

My answers came simple, no messing around. Believe in your faith, your heart will follow. Allow yourself to rest, come get your crown.

I was tired it's true; I just didn't know how to leave you.
If tears fall, let them flow, just remember I didn't want to go.
But my body grew tired and my vision weak,
And I felt the kisses upon my cheek,
I knew, again we would meet.

Thank you for permission to go home now, For being there in my final hour. For understanding my heart so well, For knowing what I could not tell.

Smile when you think of me, most definitely when the Giants are on TV.

When the Knicks are playing, and well you know what they do.

Stay in their corner, please don't boo.

Pull through this together, keep it real for me.

I am but a whisper away, tomorrow's a new day, you'll see.

When you need a laugh, or a funny thing happens,

Enjoy it, laugh out loud...Speak for me!

#### Rhonie

### <u>Acknowled gements</u>

Thank you for your kindness and expressions of
sympathy that you have shown our family
during this time of bereavement.
We sincerely appreciate it. A very special thanks to Rory
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David and Rhondelle Tidwell, Helenia Windham, Eloise
Sims, Joseph "Joe" Alston, Robert "Bob" Williams,
Deacon and Deaconess Soto, Dr. John
Conti, the Staffs at Clara Maass Hospital and St. Vincent's Rehabilitation Center
Welcome Baptist Church for being there every step of the way.

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