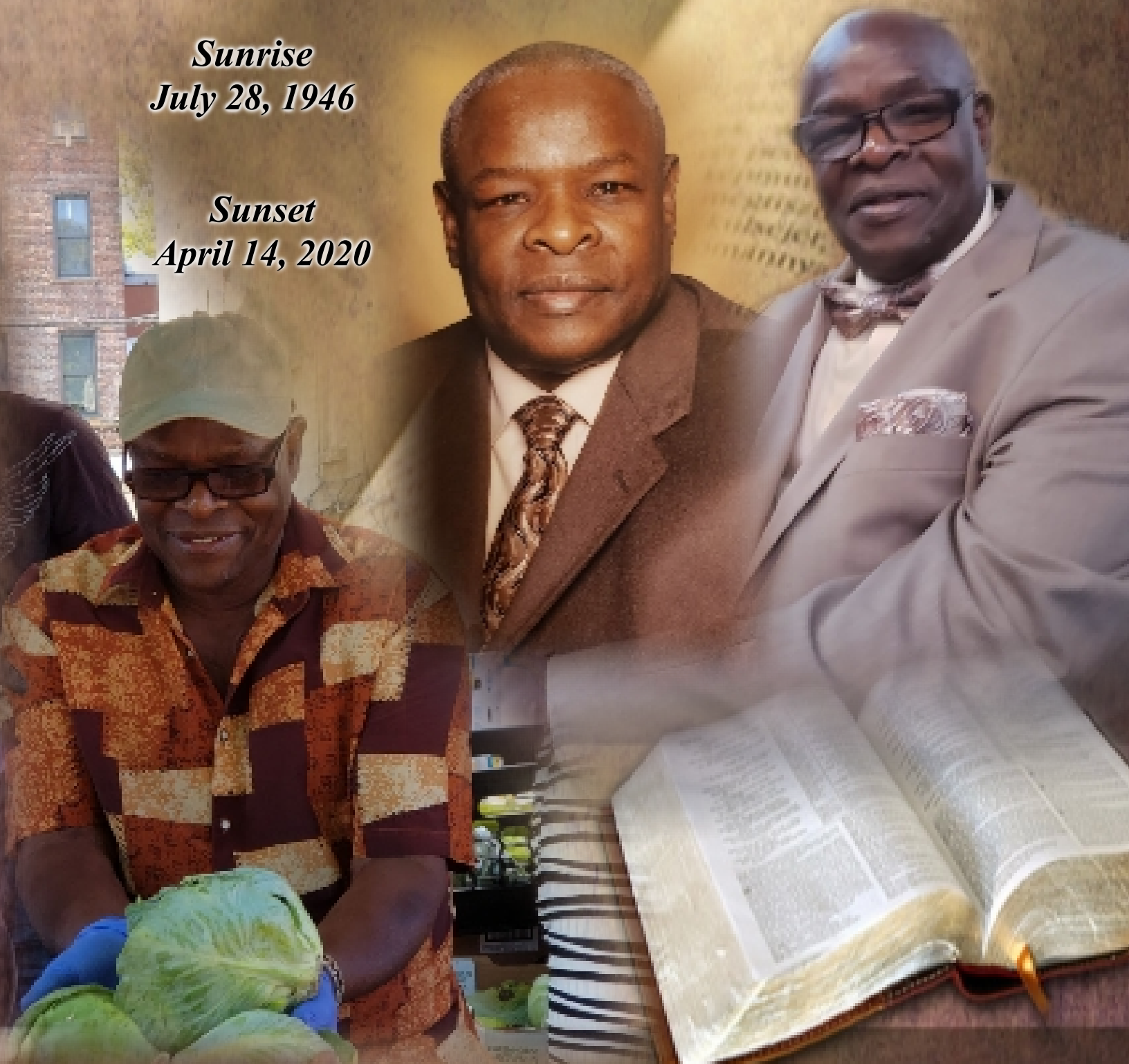


Celebrating The Life of
Reverend
Francis C. Nicholson

Sunrise
July 28, 1946

Sunset
April 14, 2020



Obituary

Reverend Francis Claudius Nicholson, age 73, passed from this life into eternity on Tuesday, April 14, 2020. Rev. Nicholson was born July 28, 1946, in Concord, St. Johns, Grenada, WI. He was the son of David and Elmina Adrianna Nicholson.

As a child in Grenada, Rev. Nicholson loved to help his mother when she used to bake. He loved to play marbles with his friends and loved school. In 1963, at the young age of 17, he left Grenada and migrated to Trinidad, WI, where he lived for some time. There he worked as a construction worker and later as a supervisor at the Bata Shoe Factory. In 1970, he migrated to the United States. He worked at Interfaith Medical Center as a foreman painter.

Rev. Nicholson had an infectious personality. He was a giving person; he had a big heart. He was loved by many. He loved to laugh and tell jokes. He met Marva Lewin in Brooklyn and later they became Mr. & Mrs. Francis and Marva Nicholson.

In 2010, Rev. Francis Nicholson started the Christian Church of Canarsie Light House of Hope Food Pantry, located in Canarsie, (Brooklyn, NY). He loved the food pantry and spent many hours there doing what he loved - serving and helping others. After directing and operating the pantry in Canarsie for 8 years, the establishment relocated to Brownsville, Brooklyn and was renamed Lighthouse of Hope Outreach and Resource Center. Both he and his wife, Marva Nicholson, operated the organization.

Rev. Nicholson would have loved to thank Debbie Abraham-Russel and her sister, Yolande Abraham for giving space in their building to operate the Lighthouse of Hope Outreach and Resource Center. Anyone that knew Rev. Francis Nicholson would remember him for always singing God's praises and giving thanks to the Lord.

Rev. Nicholson is the eleventh of twelve children and leaves many to cherish his memory: his wife Marva Nicholson, daughters Jan Charles and Patricia Deans, son, Ricky; stepchildren, Anisha, Jamel & Shantel, Glenn, Roger, Cheryl and Charlene; his grandchildren: Janelle Nichole, Nathan, Josiah, Jahiem, Jeremiah, Joseph, Samuel & Stephen, Diamond, Omarie & Tea (pronounced Tayah), Nicole, Simon, Natalie, Simone, Chanel, Errol, Keisha, Devon, and Sophia; great-grandchildren: Izaiah, Judah, Jolie & King, Ezra and Erykah. Brothers: Daniel and Bolton, sisters Sarahlin and Agnes (Vero); and 43 nieces and nephews, as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

Service

Thursday, April 30, 2020

Perfect Peace Funeral Homes Inc.

2200 Clarendon Road

Brooklyn, New York

Interment

Rosehill Cemetery

Putnam Valley, New York



I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took his hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I found that peace at the close of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, yes these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.
Good friends, good times,
a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,

Acknowledgements

The family would like to express sincere thanks and appreciation to all our friends for their well wishes, words of comfort, prayers and other acts of kindness during this time of sorrow.

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