IN LOVING MEMORY OF Rev. Edward Ray Hickmon

Sunrise January 3, 1924

Sunset February 11, 2022

<u>Service</u> Thursday, February 24, 2022 • 10:00 a.m.

St. Albans Baptist Church

196-02 119th Avenue • St. Albans, New York 11412 *Rev. Curtis T. Harding, Jr., Officiating*

Order of Service

Organ Prelude
Processional
Final Viewing
Congregational Hymn "Glory To His Name"
Prayer Of ComfortRev. Dr. Curtis T. Harding, Jr. Pastor Emeritus - St. Albans, B.C.
Scripture Readings Old Testament: Ecclesiastes 3:1-9 Reverend Michael Ward New Testament: I Corinthians 15:50-55Bishop Tyrone Sellers
Solo Selection Deacon George Smith
AcknowledgementsElder Christina West
Grandfather Tribute Sis. Michelle Hickmon-Thomas Rev. Shaun Hickmon
Solo Selection Min. Trina Renee Johnson
Obituary Min. Jacqueline Pearson
Solo SelectionDeaconess Marjorie Hollinhead
EulogyPastor Stephen Baker Bethsalem Baptist Church

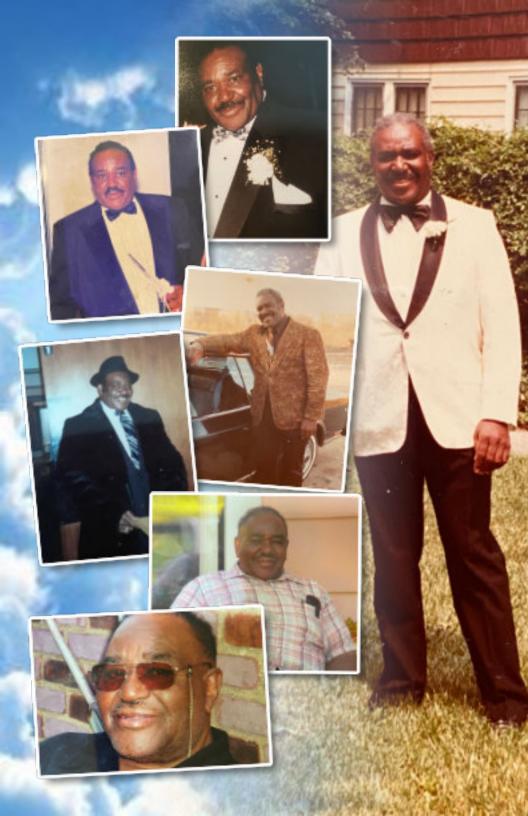
Invitation To Christ

Benediction

Recessional

Musical Interlude

<u>Interment</u> Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, New York



Obituary

Edward Ray Hickmon was born in Dover, North Carolina on January 3, 1924, to the late Samuel L. and Julia Hickmon. He was the third of four children. Edward peacefully transitioned into eternal life with our Heavenly Father on Friday, February 11, 2022.

Edward attended Dover High School whereupon after graduating, he entered the United States Navy. While serving in the Navy he met and married the love of his life, Eula N. They were united in holy matrimony on November 13, 1944, and out of this union were born fourteen beautiful children.

Edward attended American University in Arlington, Virginia where he received his degree in Construction Engineering. After relocating to New York, he started his own business, E.R. Hickmon & Sons Construction Company in Brooklyn, N.Y. He won numerous construction job bids which included government, state, city, and local area construction sites. He built several OTB's, churches, and many VA hospital wings, including the St. Albans VA Hospital, of which he proudly reminded us of every time he went there for a doctor's appointment. In addition to his construction business, he also owned and operated a grocery store named "E & E," titled after their names, Edward, and Eula.

Edward served as a Deacon and Chairman of the Deacon Board at various churches. His church affiliations where he served and worshiped included St. Mary's Church of Christ in Brooklyn, New York under the pastoral leadership of Bishop James Gardner, Washington Temple Church of God in Christ, Brooklyn, N.Y. under Bishop F.D. Washington, Greater Bethel Church, Queens, N.Y. under Apostle John H. Boyd Sr., St. Luke Baptist Church, Queens, N.Y. under Reverend Dr. Roy L. Gilmore, Sr. It was there

at St. Luke Baptist Church that he was ordained and licensed as Reverend Edward R. Hickmon. His final church affiliation was with Bethsalem Missionary Baptist Church, Queens, N.Y. under Reverend Edward B. Perry. He taught, guided, and trained many men as deacons. He taught Bible Study, Bible classes and preached the Word of God. During his lifetime he received many awards, certificates, and honors too numerous to name.

Edward was affectionately known as "Buddy" and "Moneyman", by close friends and family. Edward was an avid fisherman and hunter, a businessman, and world traveler. He was a member of the Paerdegat Yacht Club in Brooklyn, N.Y., where he docked his boat, which he and his family truly enjoyed.

Edward was preceded in death by his wife Eula N., eldest son Ray E., grandchildren Versalee Hickmon, Terrell Hickmon, Dwight Washington, Sons-in-Law, Frederick Taylor and James Hamlett, sisters Doris Hawkins, Dora Lee Phillips, and Judy Carol Mitchell. He leaves to cherish his memories fourteen beautiful children: Virgil, Kenneth, (our adopted brother), Charles, Edward, Brad, Darryl, Brenda, Karen, Reginald, twins, Darlene and Doreen, Anthony, Steven, Teresa; twenty-two grandchildren, thirty-nine great-grandchildren, six great-great grandchildren, and an innumerable host of relatives, friends, and his church family.

Reverend Edward R. Hickmon was loved, respected, and highly revered by many. He was a loving and caring father, a friend, leader, teacher, mentor, a scholar, and God-fearing man. He was very well versed and had immense knowledge of the Bible.

Reverend Edward R. Hickmon was a true General in the Army of the LORD!!







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, God wanted me now. He set me free!

<u>Heknowledgements</u>

The family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many expressions of love, concern and kindness shown to their family during this hour of bereavement. May God Bless and Keep You!

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