

Errol Timothy Colsham, Sr. SUNRISE: July 8, 1942 SUNSET: March 24, 2022

Sunday, April 3, 2022 - 4pm

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Rev. Jeremy Gatlin, Officiating
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<u>Obituary</u>

Errol Timothy Cobham was born in St. Michael, Barbados, on July 8, 1942, to parents, Edward and Gladys. He was the youngest of seven children.

As a young man, Errol decided to follow the path of his father and become a merchant marine. He worked on ships for many years as a cook and it was then that he acquired his passion for cooking. During this time, he got the opportunity to travel the world, going to places as far as Africa and Australia.

Long before Errol set forth on his sea journey, a teenage girl from Station Hill, "behind the wall" had caught his attention. He went through many struggles trying to court her, but never gave up. Even after long stints at sea, as soon as he arrived back home, he made his way to Station Hill. His perseverance paid off and that girl, Delores Standard, would become his wife. From that union was born one son, Errol, Jr. Sadly, fifty-five years later, on March 24, 2022, that earthly union would end.

In 1970, he emigrated from Barbados to New York to be with Delores. However, his love for her was rivalled only by his love for Barbados. He never gave up his birthplace and visited every year, spending weeks and at time, months. These were some of his happiest times. At some point, he discovered her could listen to Barbados radio over the internet, and he spent every day, from morning till evening, listening to the Voice of Barbados. He knew everything that was happening in Barbados when it was happening. He sang along with the old songs and tapped his feet to the new ones. Barbados was truly in his veins.

Errol had a tremendous knowledge of many subjects. By profession he was a butcher, but he could have been a politician, debater, even a community activist. He loved politics and could inform anyone on just about any politician, any scandal, any injustice, anything going on in the world.

There was a certain strength to him, that is you did not know him, you would not see. For many years he experienced health issues, but he never once complained or bemoaned his circumstances. He bore everything that was put upon him with strength and courage. In the last few months, his health took a turn for the worse, but even then, he showed grace under pressure.

He was called by many names; he was Errol, Tim, Daddy, Grandpa, Uncle Errol, and Cobham. We will miss him and continue to honor his legacy because to live in hearts we leave behind is never to die.

Errol was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Gladys; and siblings, Sybil, Sheila, Bruce, Vladimar and Alfred.

He is survived by: his wife, Delores (Dee); son, Errol Jr. and daughter-inlaw, Corliss; grandchildren, Ethan and Mackenzie; sister, Phyliss; brothersin-law, Earl and Roy Standard; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins.

Order of Service

Rev. Jeremy Gatlin, Officiating Bryon Neal, Organist

Organ Prelude

Scripture Reading

Prayer/Poem

Selection

Obituary Reading

Remarks from

Friends & Family

Final Viewing

Selection

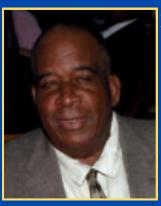
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Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that 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, ves 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! -author unknown

Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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