

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
IRVING RANSOME SR.

SUNRISE: JULY 2, 1941
SUNSET: APRIL 20, 2022



FRIDAY, APRIL 29, 2022 - 11:30 A.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

OBITUARY

On April 20, 2022, Irving Ransome Sr. stepped into glory peacefully at his home in Bloomfield, New Jersey.

Irving was born on July 2, 1941 to Daniel and Estelle (Gilliam) Ransome. The youngest of three brothers, Irving was born in Newark, New Jersey at City Hospital. While his brothers attended what is now known as Shabazz Mohammad high school, he followed his artistic talents to Arts High School.

Known for providing smooth bass tones, he spent time as part of a gospel singing group know as “The Mellowtone Teenagers,” accompanying groups such as the Dixie Songbirds, the Swan Silvertones, and Sam Cooke and the Soul Stirrers, among others. His love for music developed into an affinity for Latin jazz and modern jazz styles, as he could always be found with a jazz sound coming from his car or home stereo.

His creativity was just one outlet for Irving, as his family affectionately found that he loved a good joke. In fact, the Ransome family knew that if you were around Irving for some time, his infectious laugh could be heard two or three rooms away. He was a working man, working for Duro-Test Corporation for 27 years, demonstrating the value of hard work every day of his life.

He is preceded in death by his parents Daniel and Estelle, his brother Daniel Ransome Jr., his daughters Lavenia and Sylvia Ransome, and his wife Maria (Speed) Ransome. He leaves to mourn his brother Carswell Ransome, and his children, Irving Ransome Jr., Deborah Ransome-Cox, and Thomas Ransome. He also leaves to mourn his grandchildren Lakita Ransome, Simone Ransome, Nicole Ransome, Cierra Lewis-Pointer, Zaidyn Ransome, and Leila Ransome, 8 great grandchildren and 3 great great grandchildren.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Violinist - Charisa Dowe Rouse
Music/Worship - Charisa Dowe Rouse

Prayer - Rev. Ryan Faison

Scripture Reading - Almarie Ransome

Song Selection - "I Can Only Imagine" Charisa Dowe Rouse

Obituary - Rev. Ryan Faison

Remarks (Limit 2 min. per person)

Family

- Deborah Ransome-Cox

- Carswell Ransome

Eulogy - Thomas Ransome

Closing Prayer - Rev. Ryan Faison

INTERMENT
Rosedale Cemetery
Orange, New Jersey



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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