

*In Loving Memory of
Berkly McDowell Sr.*



Sunrise: July 8, 1942
Sunset: May 28, 2022

FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 2022 - 11:00 A.M.

Cotton Funeral Service

130 Main Street • Orange, New Jersey

Rev. Edward A. Allen, Officiating

Joshua Nelson, Organist

Obituary

Berkly McDowell Sr. passed away peacefully from this life on the morning of May 28th, 2022, after a gradual decline in health. He was surrounded and supported by his loving family, during the last days of his life.

Berkly was born on July 8th 1942 to the late Johnny and Wilaba McDowell in Timmonsville, South Carolina. He was educated in the Florence County education system. Once Berkly became of age, he moved to New Jersey where he met his wife Floria and together they would raise their family, remaining in New Jersey for the rest of his life.

Berkly earned his living as a truck driver and he was employed by Waste Management Inc. until his retirement in 2010. Relaxing and watching television was Berkly's favorite thing to do after retirement. He enjoyed watching the news, game shows and his favorite soap General Hospital. He was an avid sports fan and he enjoyed watching baseball, football and wrestling. The New York Yankees and New York Giants were his favorite teams to watch.

Berkly also enjoyed listening to all kinds of music, but he especially loved listening to and singing gospel music. Most of all, he enjoyed the company of his family especially his children and grandchildren.

He leaves to mourn his children, Christopher James McDowell (Dawn), Tracy McDowell, Kenneth Terry (Toni) Michael McDowell, Patricia McDowell, Berkly McDowell Jr. and Belinda McDowell. He leaves his cherished grandchildren, Kenneth Mosely, Darrin McDowell. Shantel Young (Tyler) Christopher James McDowell Jr, Noah Terry and Jonah Terry. He leaves behind one great-grandchild Leah Grace. He also leaves behind his loving aunt, Julia McDowell and a host of cherished nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends. His wife Floria and his son Alvin Leroy Turner preceded him in death.

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks
(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment
Evergreen Cemetery
Hillside, New Jersey



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, 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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