

Collage Maker

HE IS GONE

You can shed tears that he is gone,
 or you can smile because he has lived.
 You can close your eyes and pray that he'll come back,
 or you can open your eyes and see all he's left.
 Your heart can be empty because you can't see him,
 or you can be full of the love you shared.
 You can turn your back on
 tomorrow and live yesterday,
 or you can be happy for tomorrow
 because of yesterday.
 You can remember him only that he is gone,
 or you can cherish his memory and let it live on.
 You can cry and close your mind,
 be empty and turn your back.
 Or you can do what he'd want:
 smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

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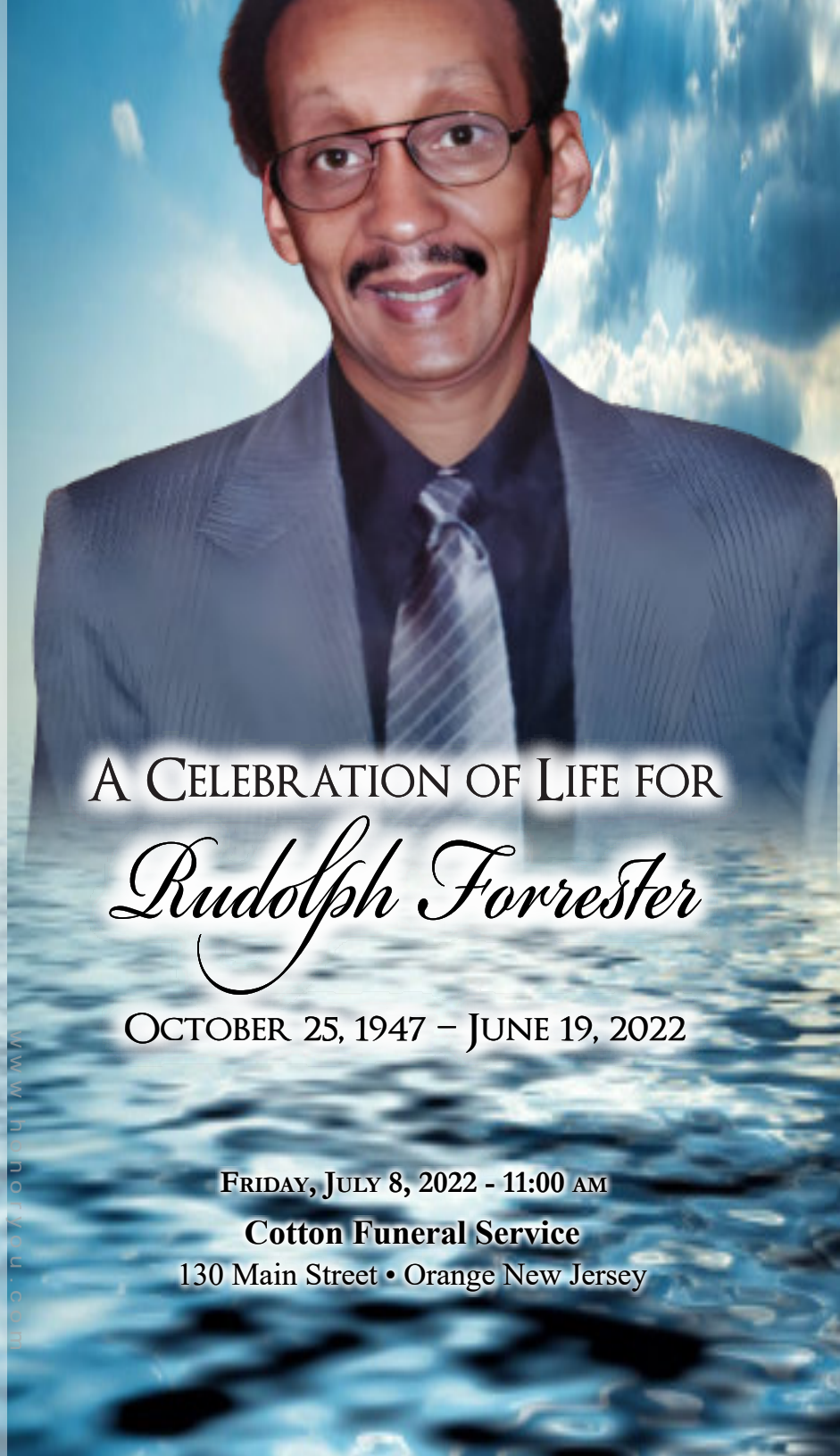
The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

Rudolph Forrester

OCTOBER 25, 1947 – JUNE 19, 2022

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 2022 - 11:00 AM

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OBITUARY

Rudolph “Rudy” Forrester was a caring son, father, grandfather, brother, friend, and above all else, a cherished member of his family. He departed this life at home on Sunday, June 19, 2022, at age 74. While his journey has ended, his memory will persist because he lived and was loved.

Rudy, son of Willie and Jessie Forrester, was born in Estill, SC on Saturday, October 25th, 1947. At a young age, his family moved to New Jersey. He was educated in the Jersey City public school system and graduated from Henry Snyder High School in June 1966. After graduating, he began his professional career. He enrolled in Jersey City State College and in October 1979; he earned his Bachelor of Arts (Economics) degree.

Rudy would have 2 children, Glen, and Marcus. Rudy was a wonderful and devoted father and grandfather. He always taught us to stand tall, be proud, and know ourselves in all situations and supported us all throughout the many accomplishments and difficulties of our lives. One of the true joys was the time he got spend with his granddaughters. It gave him a chance to do grandparent things like spoil his grandchildren with toys, give them candy before dinner, and teach them to ride a bike.

Rudy worked as a Clerk at the New York Stock Exchange for over 20 years before retiring in April 1991. In January 2000, Rudy fulfilled a lifelong dream by visiting South Africa, the home of someone he greatly admired, Nelson Mandela. Rudy was known for his spirited fiscal responsibility and as an avid DIYer who loved working with his hands. On weekends you could find him planting something in the garden, mowing the lawn, fixing a car, renovating his home, or building something he saw on an episode of This Old House. He was a true weekend warrior; his favorite

hangout was Rickels in Springfield on Rt.22. His passion for fixing something that was broken or building something new that met a need was something he passed down to his sons.

Rudy was predeceased by his parents, Willie and Jessie Forrester, sisters, Florie Evelyn Larkin and Vivian Wilson, brothers Willie Forrester, and Sydney Jenkins. He leaves to mourn his passing his children, Glen and Marcus, granddaughters, Jessica, Chyna, Gabrial and Makayla, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. The memory of him fills our hearts and minds with sadness, but there is comfort in knowing that reconciliation is a part of God’s plan. May God bless each of us as we move forward in his spiritual doctrine.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Musical Prelude

Processional

Final Viewing.....Cotton Funeral Service

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Louis E. Wright, Jr.

Scripture Reading Minister Debra Goines (niece)
 Old Testament – Job 19:25-6
 New Testament – John 14:1-6

Musical Selection

ReflectionsFamily and Friends
 Glen and Marcus Forrester (sons)

Acknowledgements/Resolutions

Obituary Chyna Forrester (granddaughter)

Musical Selection

EulogyPastor Malachia Brantley Jr.
 Shiloh Baptist Church

Recessional

INTERMENT
 Graceland Memorial Park
 Kenilworth, New Jersey