

*Celebrating the Life of*

A portrait of Rodney Morrison, a Black man with a mustache, wearing a dark suit jacket over a white shirt with a lace collar and a gold cross necklace. He is looking slightly to the right of the camera. The background is a bright blue sky with soft white clouds.

*Rodney Morrison*  
*"Hot-Rod"*

**SUNRISE: October 12, 1953**

**SUNSET: July 2, 2022**

**Friday, July 15, 2022 - 5pm**

**Greater Zion Hill Baptist Church**

**2365 8th Avenue, New York, NY 10027**

**Rev. James A. Kilgore, Officiating**

**Rev. Dr. Eric B. Turner, Organist**

# Obituary

**Rodney Morrison** was born on October 12, 1953 in New York City to Betty Morrison and Carmon Jackson. Rodney was the eldest of three sons. Rodney lived and went to school in Washington Heights before enlisting in the Air Force in 1973.

Rodney was married to Quanda Tarleton in January of 1973. They had three daughters, Rhonda, Raquel and Romain Morrison.

Rodney was tall, charming, handsome and very well dressed. He had a love for music and dancing. He was a die hard Cowboys fan and a star basketball player which is where he adopted the name “Hot-Rod”.

Though Rodney lived most of his life in New York City, he eventually moved to Maryland where he lived and worked until his untimely passing on July 2, 2022.

Rodney is preceded in death by his mother, Betty Jackson; father, Carmon Jackson; mother-in-law, Cornelia Tarleton; and granddaughter, Darien Brown.

Rodney leaves behind to cherish his memory: his wife, Quanda Morrison; three daughters, Rhonda, Raquel and Romain Morrison; two brothers, Benny Morrison and Jayson Jackson; eight grandchildren, Heriberto, Jeffrey, Darius, Ryan, Rylee, Chase, Brooke and Reign; two great grandchildren; his brother from another, Bobby aka Havel; and a host of relatives and friends.

# Order of Service

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**



**FINAL DISPOSITION:**  
Oxford Hills Crematory  
Chester, New York



# 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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