

# Mathaniel M. Woodridge "Green Giant"

Sunrise March 20, 1936

Sunset June 18, 2010

#### Service

Saturday, June 26, 2010 - 12:00 Noon

## CARNIE P. BRAGG FUNERAL HOMES, INC.

256 Rosa Parks Blvd. Paterson, New Jersey

Rev. Harris M. Holloway, Officiating Rev. Edward Fairley, Organist

# Reflections of Life

"Death is an open door to life where our beloved "Giant" has entered."

**Nathaniel M. Woolridge "Green Giant"**, son of Josephine Woolridge was born March 20, 1936. He passed on to glory, Friday, June 18, 2010 at St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center.

Nat or Giant, as he was called, was born and raised in McClellandtown, Pennsylvania along with his cousins, Carl, Charles and Barbara L. Woolridge, as well as his grandparents, Charles and Lonie Woolridge (both deceased). He was educated in Germantownship Public Schools of Pennsylvania. After graduating he relocated to Mt. Vernon, New York where he met and married Mary Pearce on August 20, 1961.

Nat will always be remembered for his kindness, generous spirit and humor. The joy of knowing him will comfort family and friends during this time of grief and loss. Although his passing brings great sorrow, through faith and belief in God's word comes the understanding that to be absent from the body is to be present with God.

He was a member of the Iron Horsemen Motorcycle Club, which was established in 1958. After many years of membership, and winning many trophies for his famous Green Harley Davidson Motorcycle and his hand crafted chariot, he went on to become a charter member of the Invaders Motorcycle Club. In later years, with the introduction of the Kawasaki 900, he switched motorcycles and founded the Tribesmen Motorcycle Club. An unfortunate accident ended his riding career. He, along with Wild Bill Harris and Lefty The Magnificent One, was known throughout the United States for their individualized Harley Davidson Motorcycles, and their riding skills. He was the owner of Giant's Car Wash, and Giant's Limo Service of Paterson.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Mary Woolridge; three cousins, Barbara Mack of Washington, DC, Carl (Doris) Woolridge of Glendale, Maryland and Charles (Toni) Woolridge of Riverdale, Maryland; three step-children, Kenny Ray Pearce of Los Angeles, California, Cynthia Pearce of Paterson, New Jersey and Sandra Pearce of Charlotte, North Carolina; fourteen step-grandchildren; thirteen step-great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild; and a host of other relatives and close friends.

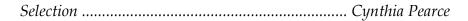
## <u>Order of Service</u>

Organ Prelude

Hymn

Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament

Prayer of Comfort



Acknowledgements & Reflections of Life

Remarks

Selection

Recessional

#### **Interment**

Arlington Cemetery Kearny, New Jersey God looked around His garden and He found an empty place.

He then looked down upon this earth and saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful. He always takes the best.

He saw the road was getting rough and the hills were hard to climb,
So He closed your weary eyelids and whispered, "Peace be thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you didn't go alone.

For part of us went with you the day God called you home.

The Family

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've found that peace at the end of the day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah..., yes these things I too will miss. Perhaps my time seemed all to brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your head and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free.

Love. Lorraine

### <u>Acknowledgement</u>

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

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