

*In Loving Memory  
of*



*Samuel Upshaw*

*Sunrise  
June 9, 1929*

*Sunset  
July 1, 2010*

Friday, July 9, 2010

**METROPOLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH**

149 Springfield Ave.  
Newark, New Jersey

**Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.**

## *The Life Story*



**Samuel Upshaw** was born to the late Jack and Rose Upshaw on June 9, 1929 in Newark, New Jersey.

He attended and graduated from Monmouth St. School. **Samuel** enrolled at Newark Vocational and Technical School and completed the carpentry course.

He worked at Quiet Heat making oil burners and air conditioners. **Samuel** was drafted in the U.S. Army and saw combat in the Korean conflict. He was honorably discharged.

**Samuel** married Dolores Theresa Davis on April 22, 1956. From their union was born two sons,

Anthony Michael Upshaw and Jeffrey Jabar Upshaw.

**Samuel** was a member of the V.F.W. and the Kenneth Gibson Association. He also served on the Newark Taxi Committee and V.F.W. Committee. **Samuel** received citations from various Civic Associations. **Samuel** was the first Afro American Carpenter to be hired from the Civil Service for the Newark Board of Education.

**Samuel** enjoyed retirement with his wife attending plays and going on various cruises and trips excursions. He enjoyed being the “Life of the Party”. **Samuel** accepted Christ at an early age and was a devout member of Metropolitan Baptist Church. **Samuel** created the Easter Display, The Christmas Manager and the Three Crosses displayed permanently outside Metropolitan Baptist Church. **Samuel** marched and represented the V.F.W. at the yearly parade in Wildwood, New Jersey.

His favorite greeting was “Upshaw Here”.

**Samuel** leaves to mourn: his wife, Dolores; three grandchildren, John, Jeffrey and Chase Upshaw; brother, Eugene Upshaw; sister, Lillian Coleman; a special niece, Dolores Williams; in-laws, Myrtle and Joseph Holmes, Evelyn and James Bailey; sisters-in-law, Holiestine Bennett; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends and a faithful friend of seventy years, Elton E. Hill.

# Order of Service

Processional ..... With Scripture Sentences

Hymn

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Consolation

Solo



Acknowledgements

Cards, Telegrams and other Expressions

Remarks ..... (Please limit your remarks to 3 minutes)

Reading of the Obituary

Eulogy ..... The Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.

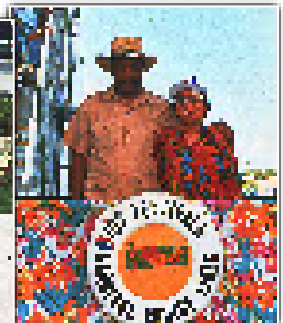
Benediction ..... The Rev. Dr. David Jefferson, Sr.

Recessional

## **Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, 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*

### **Pall Bearers**

Steven Hill	Shep Benard
William Maiklin	George Prescot
Jerry Lomax	Allen Stone
Isaac Thomas	Kenneth Gibson-Horaiy
Jim Perrillo	Joseph Holmes

### **Acknowledgments**

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