

Garth Hodgson

Sunrise September 8, 1959

In Loving Memory

of

Sunset August 16, 2010

Friday, August 20, 2010 - 2:00 p.m.

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE** 130 Main Street • Orange, NJ 07050

Maceo Hemingway, Officiating

0<u>bituary</u>

**Richard F. Garth Hodgson** was born in Puerto Cabezas, Nicaragua, CA on September 8, 1959 to Elsa Hodgson and Edwardo Garth.

He attended junior high school in Chinandega, Nicaragua studying with the Catholic priests where he learned ceramic arts and construction work. He graduated high school from Centro de Ciencias Comerciales in Managua, Nic in 1979.

His hobbies included: soccer, dancing, being a comedian, fishing and the art of making friends easily.

Richard migrated to the United States in 1989, where he resided with his mother, Elsa in East Orange until his passing. He started out living up to the Hodgson's motto; work hard, be honest, respectful and friendly. He made a lot of friends in East Orange where he was affectionately called "Richie" by his friends.

He became an entrepreneur by mowing lawns and working in construction remodeling apartments in East Orange. He was teased by family members as being a workaholic, working eight days a week (joke), this was short lived.

He leaves to mourn his passing: his beloved mother, Elsa; his brother, Carl Humphrey's; his uncles, Vernon, Acton Sr., Ivor Sr., Clinton Sr. and Norton Hodgson; his auntie, Maisie; eighteen first cousins; twenty second cousins; and a host of other relatives and friends.

<u>Order of Service</u>

**Organ Prelude** 

Processional (all stand except for family)
Congregational Hymn
Prayer of Comfort
Scripture Reading Old Testament New Testament Pastor Joyce Roberts
Selection Mrs. S. Winston
Reflections
Resolution/Acknowledgements
Obituary
Solo
Eulogy Maceo Hemingway
Closing Prayer Pastor Joyce Roberts
Recessional

## <u>Interment</u>

Rosedale Cemetery Orange, New Jersey

We ask that you join us for a repast at Trinity United Presbyterian Church on Orange Road and 5 High Street in Montclair, NJ immediately following the funeral service at Rosedale Cemetery in Montclair.

## When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way you did today, while thinking of the many things, we didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand that an angel came and called my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When God looked down and smiled at me, from His great golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today will always last. And since each day's the same way, there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart. -Author unknown

## <u>Acknowledgement</u>

The Hodgson family would like to express their appreciation for all your calls, cards and kind expression of sympathy during this difficult time.

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