

Gone On Home

*I've built me a home in a far off land.
A home not touched by human hands
I've built my home on sold ground.
My rock, my strength, my savior found.*

*Rock of ages cleft for me,
Now I hide myself in thee.
Jesus has paid all my debts,
All my transgression and sin to forget.
I've built me a heavenly home.*

No more tears have I to shed.

No more pain, no fears, no dread, no sickness, nor sorrow have I.

No more worries in the sweet by and by.

So sleep on loved one and take your rest.

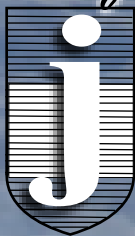
We love you dearly, but God loved you best.

-Author Unknown

Acknowledgements

The family of **John McQuilla, Jr.** wishes to express their deepest and most sincere thanks to all who shared with them in this time of sorrow.
May God bless and keep you in a most gracious way.

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*"I have fought a good fight I have
finished my course I have kept the faith"*
II Timothy 4:7

John McQuilla, Jr.

December 3, 1921 - September 11, 2010

Funeral Service

Friday, September 17, 2010 • 10:00 a.m.

WALLACE TEMPLE A.M.E. ZION CHURCH
392 Avenue C • Bayonne, New Jersey
Reverend Dorothy A. Patterson, Pastor
Officiant



Afterglow

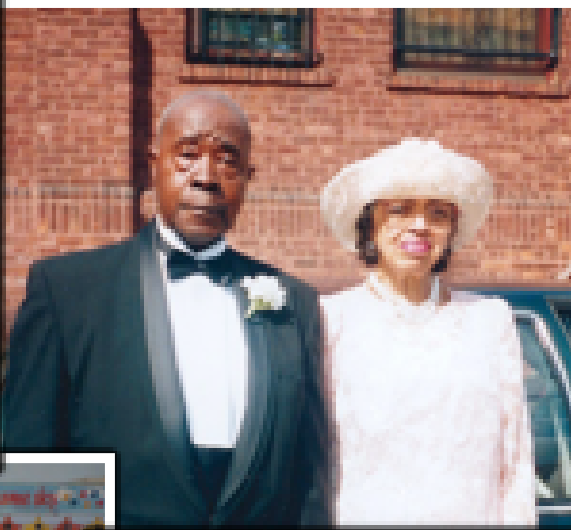
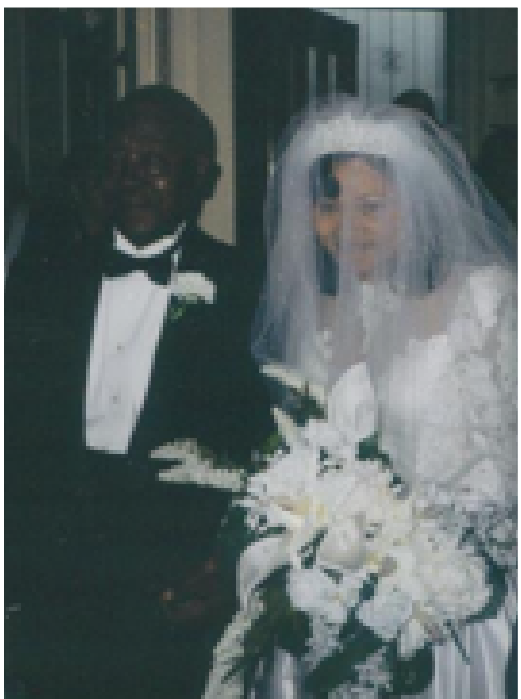
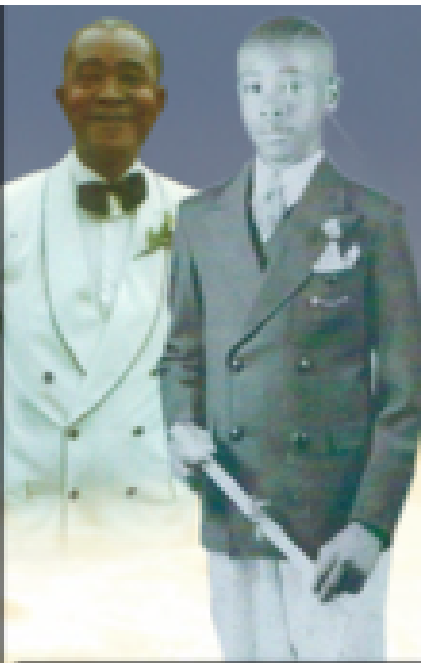
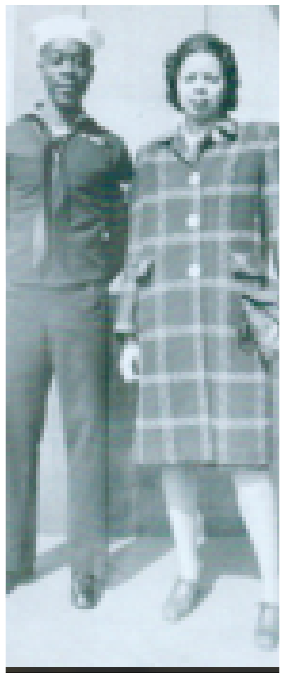
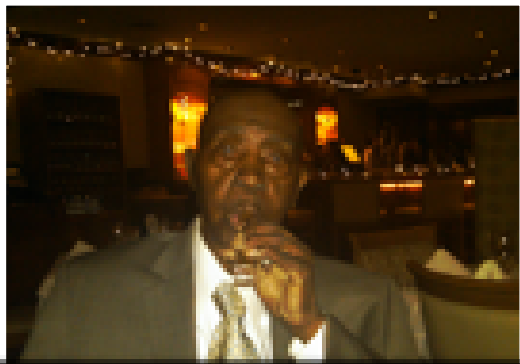
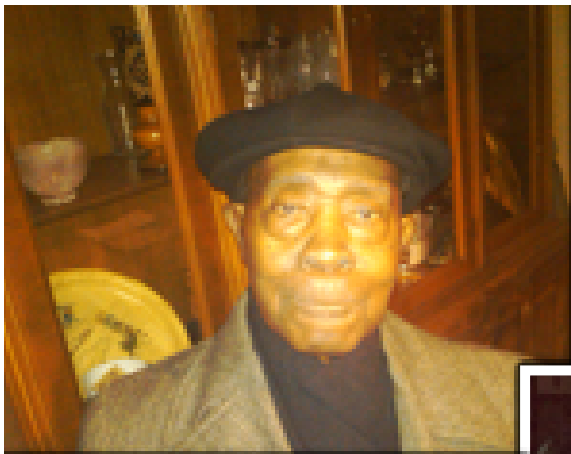
*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall



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A Celebration of the Life of John McQuilla, Jr.

John McQuilla, Jr., 88, was committed to eternal rest Saturday, September 11, 2010 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Wayne, NJ.

Born in Sumter, South Carolina, he came to Bayonne as a child, attended public school and was a graduate of the class of 1939 from the Bayonne High School. He continued his education and graduated from the Vale School of Business in addition to attending Rutger's University.

He was a career federal civil servant having worked at US Navilco Overseas Air cargo terminal at the Military Ocean Terminal serving as Asst. Country Program Manager until his retirement in 1977. He was a World War II veteran having served in the US Navy. In another entrepreneurial pursuit, John worked as an electrician in the Hudson and Essex County areas.

He was a Notary Public for over fifty years and was actively involved in many civic endeavors in the Bayonne Community. He gave dedicated service to the Bayonne City Planning Board for over nineteen years and officiated as Board Chairman for three years. In addition, he was chairman of the Bayonne Economic Opportunity Foundation, the 1984 chairperson of the Bayonne Chapter of the National Conference for Community and Justice, past President of the N.A.A.C.P. as well as the Bayonne Youth Center.

He held membership in the Pride of Bayonne Lodge #461 IBPOEW of Elks and the American Legion Post #0019 also held the office of treasurer of Friends of the Bayonne Public Library.

He was a devoted member and leader at Wallace Temple A.M.E. Zion Church, where he served as chairman of the Board of Trustees, Steward Board and Class Leader for over thirty years, and was a lifelong member. He also served as church school Superintendent and teacher. He was an experienced income tax preparer and operated his own office since 1977.

He was an affiliate of innumerable organizations contributing to civic and religious causes to enrich the Bayonne Community. He was the proud recipient of many honors being given to him - certificates, plaques, brotherhood medallions, "Father of the Year" from Wallace Temple, outstanding civilian award and too many other illustrious awards to list herein given to note his accomplishments and faithful commitment to his endeavors.

John was predeceased by his parents, John, Sr. and Rosa (nee Robinson) McQuilla Gray and stepfather, Medlock Gray, his wife, Thelma E. (nee Williams) McQuilla, son-in-law, Larry Nelson, his siblings, Martha McQuilla, Alphonso McQuilla, Ruth McQuilla-Pyke and Richard McQuilla.

He leaves to mourn his loss: his loving and devoted children, Cheryl M. Nelson, Karla McQuilla-Goines and her husband, Michael, Wendell B. McQuilla and his wife, Ocilean; devoted grandson, US Navy Aviation Machinist Mate Karl McQuilla-Pyles; his beloved brother, Harold McQuilla; two aunts, Leola Robinson Benjamin and Reather Myers Robinson; caring brother-in-law, Donald Pyke and sister-in-law, Ruth W. Isaacs; as well as a host of other loving relatives and friends.

Organ Prelude

Processional

Invocation

Hymn of Consolation "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament Psalm 91

New Testament Ephesians 1:16-23 & 3:14-21

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Wallace Lee

Soloist Cheryl Sims

Acknowledgement/Resolutions/Obituary

Reflections Family/ Friends/Clergy

Soloist Derek Wright

Eulogy Rev. Dorothy A. Patterson

Final Viewing Jackson Funeral Residence

Benediction

Recessional

Interment
Clover Leaf Memorial Park
Woodbridge, New Jersey

Friends are invited to attend a repast at the dinning hall of the church immediately following the Interment.

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