In Loving Memory

Sunrise September 2, 1936

Sunset September 20, 2010

Otto Roquemore "Steve"

Saturday, September 25, 2010 - 10:00 a.m.

PROMISED LAND BAPTIST CHURCH

592 Hunterdon Street • Newark, New Jersey

Rev. Levin B. West, Officiating

<u>Obituary</u>

Otto Roquemore, also know as Steve, was born in Newark, NJ on September 2, 1936 to loving parents Samuel and Patricia Roquemore. He grew up in Newark and was educated in the pubic schools, Bloomfield Vocational & Technical School and Central High School. He later furthered his education at Newark College of Engineering.

In 1954, Otto enlisted in the United States Air Force. He was trained as an aircraft navigation equipment repairman and served until 1958 when he was honorably discharged. His years in the military were an important time and he might have continued to serve but his ailing Father asked him to return home to be with the family. When he returned to Newark in 1958, he met his future wife Patricia Warren. They were married on December 26, 1959 and to this union was born one precious daughter Vera Patricia Roquemore.



Otto worked from his teen age years to his senior years. During the last decades of his career, he worked for the City of Newark and finally the Newark Housing Authority. He retired from his position as Supervisor of Telephone Systems in 2002.

Otto was very dedicated to supporting and caring for his close family and extended family throughout his life. He cared for his Mother and brothers in every way possible during their lives and helped his wife care for her parents as well. He was also interested in the community. In 1963, he boarded a bus and attended the historical "March on Washington." He was

active in community and political affairs for decades. He was the founder and first President of the Central Huntington Terrace Block Association in 1962. He was the elected District Leader of South Ward District 32 for many years. In addition, he served as Legislative Aide to Assemblyman Eugene Thompson. For a brief time, he was the host and co-producer of a television program entitled "At the Table" which aired on Channel 47 WNJU-TV.

Otto supported the work of the Church. As a young man, he served as an usher at Metropolitan Baptist Church in Newark, NJ. More recently, he has been an active and faithful member of Grace Reformed Baptist Church, Newark NJ. He was someone who thought you should try to make a difference in a good way.

Otto was preceded in death by his parents Samuel and Patricia Roquemore, his brothers Frank and Alfred Roquemore, and one sister Constance Blackwell. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Patricia Roquemore, his daughter Dr. Vera P. Roquemore, one sister Delores Coppage, one brother-in-law Robert L. Warren, nephews, Ronald Dunn, David Roquemore, Larry Roquemore, Steve Roquemore, Leroy Warren Jr., Robert Warren, Jr., and Terence Warren along with nieces, Rhonda Warren Glover, Shalesha Wright and host of other relatives and friends.

<u>Order of Service</u>

Processional	Family & Clergy
Musical Selection	
Prayer of Comfort	Minister
Scriptures Old Testament New Testament	
Acknowledgements	
Reflections	Hope Kirby
Obituary	Georgia Vann
Musical Selection	Frank Simmons, Jr.
Eulogy	Rev. Levin B. West, Sr.

Recessional

Interment

Fairmount Cemetery Newark, New Jersey



Repast immediately following interment Promised Land Baptist Church 592 Hunterdon St. • Newark, NJ



"Beyond The Sunset"

Should you go first and I remain, to walk the road alone. I'll live memories garden dear, with happy days we've known. In spring I'll wait for roses red, when faded, the lilacs blue. In early fall when brown leaves fall, I'll catch a glimpse of you. I'll hear your voice, I'll see your smile, tho blindly I may grope, The memory of your helping hand will buoy me on with hope. Should you go first and I remain, one thing I'll have you do: Walk slowly down that long long path, for soon I'll follow you. I want to know each step you take, So I may take the same. For someday down that lonely road, you'll hear me call your name.

In Appreciation

The family acknowledges with sincere appreciation the many kind deeds and comforting expressions of sympathy extended to them in their time of sorrow.

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