

Reflections of Life

Dover Uriah Skeete, who was affectionately known as "Sam," was born on January 17, 1916 to Joseph Skeete and Delcina Skeete in Black Rock St. Michael on the island of Barbados. Dover attended St. Stephens school in Black Rock, Barbados. He migrated to Trinidad in 1942 where he was employed as a mason.

While in Trinidad, he met and married his loving wife, Iris. From this union four children were born, Hayden, Allison, Avril and Gerard.

Dover enjoyed listening to country music and the song "Oh Danny Boy" was one of his favorites. Dover also enjoyed quiet moments at the window reading his Bible and reflecting. He loved doing crossword puzzles because it helped to keep his mind focused.

Dover was preceded in death by his brother, Frank Skeete, sister, Olga Long and sister, Valeria Worrell. He left a treasure of wonderful memories and lots of love to those who mourn his passing.

Dover leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted wife, Iris and their four children, his first born son, Colvin Mason; eight grandchildren; three great grandchildren; his dedicated sister-in-law, Beryl Maycock; nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and relatives near and far. We thank God for blessing us to have had him in our lives. He will be fondly remembered and greatly missed.

The Eucharist of the Resurrection for the late Dover Uriah Skeete

Reception of the Body (2nd)

The Entrance Liturgy (3rd)

The Prelude (Organ Playing) (1st)

The Opening Acclamation BCP Page 491

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord. Whoever has faith in me shall have life, even though he die,
And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives and that at the last he will stand upon the earth. After my awaking he will raise me up; and in my body I shall see God, I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him who is my friend and not a stranger.

For none of us has life in himself, and none becomes his own master when he dies; For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord. So, then, whether we live or die, We are the Lord's possession.

Happy from now on are those who die in the Lord! So it is, says the Spirit, for they rest from their labors.

The Introit Hymn "Blessed Assurance" Levas #185

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir of salvation, purchase of God, Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long; This is my story, this is my song, Praising my Savior all the day long.

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight, Visions of rapture now burst on my sight; Angels descending bring from above, Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Refrain

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest; Watching and waiting, looking above, Filled with His goodness lost in His love.

Refrain

The Liturgy of the Word:

Celebrant	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you
Celebrant	•

The Collect of the Day BCP Page 493

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered: Accept our prayers on behalf of your servant Dover, and grant him an entrance into the land of light and joy, in the fellowship of your saints; through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Most merciful God whose wisdom is beyond our understanding deal graciously with the Skeete family in their grief. Surround them with your love, that they may not be overwhelmed by their loss, but have confidence in your goodness, and strength to meet the days to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lesson Wisdom 3:1-5 Avril Skeete

The Souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and the departure was thought to be an affliction, and their going from us to be the destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of men they are punished their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good because God tested them and found them worthy of himself. The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 23

Dominus regit me

- 1 The / Lord is My / Shepherd;*
- I / shall not / want.
- 2 He maketh me to lie / down in green / pastures; * and/ leadeth me be / side still / waters.
- 3 He re/ vives my / soul.*

and guides me along right/ pathways for His / name's / sake.

- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall/ fear no/ evil;* for you are with me; your/ rod and your / staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of / those who / trouble me;*

You have anointed my head with oil, and my / cup is/ running / over.

6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the / days of my/ life,* and I will dwell in the/ house of the / Lord for / ever.

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband, and I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold the dwelling of God is with men. He will dwell with them and they shall be his people, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, for the former things have passed away." And he who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." Also he said, "write this for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and Omega the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the fountain of the water of life without payment. He who conquers shall have this heritage and I will be his God and he shall be my son." The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God

The Gradual Hymn "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" (ANM Page 690)

1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

2. O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; Trust also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I have would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus answered, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you Lord Christ
The Sequence Hymn
4 O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be. Amen
Obituary Laurie-Ann Skeete
Poem
Hymn
The Sermon
The Apostles' Creed
The Prayers of the Departed Gerard Skeete
The Peace Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you. People: And also with you.
The Offertory Hymn
The Doxology Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above the heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen
The Presentation of the Offerings
The Liturgy of the Altar
The Eucharist
Preface For by water and the holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:
The Lord's PrayerBCP Pg 364
The Breaking of the Bread Celebrant: (Alleluia) Christ our Passover is Sacrificed for us: People: Therefore let us keep the feast (Alleluia)
Communion Hymn
Post Communion Prayer BCP Pg 498
The Commendation BCP Pg 499



Rev. Fr. Audley Donaldson, D. Min.
Priest in Charge

Interment

Rosedale Cemetery Linden, New Jersey

Repast after burial at:
St. Stephens and St. Martins Church
809 Jefferson Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11221

Pall Bearers

Hayden Skeete Andre Skeete Christopher Skeete Franklin Mensah George Blackman Gerard Skeete

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May God bless each of you and may

His peace be with you always.

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