

Reflections of Life

Clarence Winslow Kersey, the eldest child to the late Austin and Elizabeth Kersey was called home on Sunday, October, 31, 2010.

Clarence was born May 22, 1929 in Pocomoke City, Maryland. As a child he attended the Christ AME Church. He attended grammar school in Pocomoke and high school in Princess Anne, MD. He moved to Paterson, NJ where he lived with his aunt before being inducted into the United States Army. He served three years in the Army and was honorably discharged as a Corporal. He received a Korean Service Medal and two Bronze Service Star Medals. Clarence also served in the Reserve Army after his regular tour. He then met Queen Isabel Richardson and after a short courtship, on April 10, 1054 they were married and unto this union, six children were bon (five boys and one girl).

Clarence worked various jobs. He worked in the garment and shoe industry, a store clerk and before retiring, he was a Lab Technician at Paterson Dental Lab Co. Clarence loved to be around the youth. He was a Scout Master with the Boy Scouts for over twenty-five years. He enjoyed working with the inner city youth. A lot of these young men looked up to him as a father figure. Deacon Jerome White, a former scout, would make many visits with him and talk about the days as a scout. Clarence was a great influence and thought highly of by these young men.

Clarence became an active member of the Grandparents Association. He attended his meeting once a month and played an active role. Clarence also loved to travel. He would also try to return to his hometown of Pocomoke City, Maryland at least once or twice a year. He traveled on cross country trips every fall of the year. He loved to site see and meet new people. He would always come home with interesting stories.

Clarence is preceded in death by his wife Queen, a son John and a brother, Omer.

He leave to cherish his memories, four sons; Clarence of Morristown, NJ; Fred, Sherman and Herman of Paterson, NJ; one daughter, DeShauntea Kersey of Paterson, NJ; three grandchildren, Maurice and Troy Rosseau, and Winiyah Kersey of Paterson, NJ; three brothers, Norris (Mary), Glenmore (Mildred), of Delaware; Robert (Hattie) of Paterson, NJ, three sisters, Clara Fletcher, Ernestine Williams and Mary Viriginia Kersey all of Paterson, NJ; a sister-in-law, Ruby Kersey; a Goddaughter, Carlena; three special friends, Mae Williams, Edna Guy and Louise Graham; nieces, nephews, cousins and a host of many, many friends.

Order of Service

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Congregational Hymn	"Hold to His Hand"
Scripture Readings Old Testament New Testament	Rev. Shirley Aquart
Solo	Sheri Simmons
Reflections (3 minutes or less)	
Obituary	Wyzetta Jones
Solo	Winiyah Kersey (granddaughter)
	Rev. Theresa Nance By The Side Of The Road • Passaic, NJ
Final Viewing	

Recessional

Interment
Brigadier Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery
Wrightstown, New Jersey

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me, I want no rites in a gloom filled room, Why cry for a soul set free? Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low. Remember the love that we once shared. Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take, And each must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, A step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, Go to the friends we know. Laugh at the things we use to do Miss me-but let me go.

-author unknown

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

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God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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