

# <u>Obituary</u>

Sylvester Johnson, Jr. Was born on March 30, 1940 in Dillon, South Carolina to Sarah and Sylvester Johnson. He was the eldest of his siblings, T.J., Bertha, Robert and Richard. His father, Sylvester nicknamed him "Sonny" at birth. Sonny moved to Manhattan, NY with his parents and siblings at the age of five.

Sonny attended Charles Evan Hughes in Manhattan. At the age of sixteen Sonny married a young woman named Delores. Together they had four children, Sylvester III, Derrick, Tracey and Sharon. Sonny worked in the garment district for many years.

Sonny was also very musically inclined. He was part of a singing group called "The Laddins" where he was the lead singer. Sonny was known also as "Uncle Sonny" not only to his nieces and nephews but to many others because of the attentive caring role that he played in their lives. Uncle Sonny was a loving, confident, intelligent man. He will be dearly missed by all that knew him.

He is survived by: his mother, Sarah Johnson; his brothers, Thomas "TJ" and Richard; his four children; grandchildren, nieces, nephews; and a host of other family members and friends.

He was preceded in death by his father, Sylvester Johnson, his son Sylvester, III, his sister, Bertha and his brother, Robert.

We love you Uncle Sonny, you will be missed.

## <u>Order of Service</u>

Processional

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgements

Remarkș

Obituary

Eulogy

Selection

Committal

Viewing

Recessional



#### <u>Interment</u>

Forest Green Cemetery Morganville, New Jersey

# I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free I'm following the path God laid for me I took his hand when I heard Him call I turned my back and left it all. I could not stay another day. To laugh, to love, to work or play. Tasks left undone must stay that way, I found that peace at the close of day. If my parting has left a void, Then fill it up with remembered joy. A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Oh, yes these things I too will miss. Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow. My life's been full, I savored much. Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch. Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief. Lift up your heart and share with me, God wanted me now, He set me free!

-author unknown

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The family wishes to express their deep appreciation and sincere thanks for your kindness during a time of sorrow.



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