

*Homegoing Service*  
for



*Sunrise*  
May 30, 1929

*Sunset*  
December 29, 2010

*Peter James McLaughlin*

Service

Tuesday, January 4, 2011 - 10:00 a.m.

**HEARD A.M.E. CHURCH**  
310 East Eighth Avenue • Roselle, New Jersey  
*Rev. Vernon H. Peters, Pastor*

## *Life Reflections*

**Peter James McLaughlin** was born on May 30, 1929 in Raeford, North Carolina, son of Earlie Morrison McLaughlin and Thomas McLaughlin. He lived in Newark, New Jersey before moving to Roselle forty-four years ago.

Peter was a U.S. Army Veteran of the Korean War. During the war, he served as Ammunition Foreman and lost his hearing because at the time there was no protective ear gear provided.

Upon his honorable discharge from the service, he attended North Carolina A & T where he studied tailoring.

Mr. McLaughlin was the owner and operator of Peter J. McLaughlin, Inc., a Hess Gas Station Franchise located in Roselle. He was honored by the Roselle branch of the NAACP because of his entrepreneurship. He would retire as a Driver from the Union County Recycling Program in Roselle.

He was a member of Heard A.M.E. Church in Roselle where he sang in the Male Chorus. He was also a member of the American Legion Post 229 in Roselle, the Roselle chapter of AARP, and the Roselle Active Seniors for which he served as Historian.

Peter James McLaughlin passed away on Wednesday, December 29, 2010 at Trinitas Regional Medical Center in Elizabeth, New Jersey at the age of 81. He was predeceased by a son, Orlando McLaughlin, his parents, Earlie and Thomas McLaughlin and siblings, Willie and Annie Jane McLaughlin.

He leaves to cherish fond memories: his devoted wife of fifty-three years, Flonnie McLaughlin; a son, Gerald McLaughlin and his wife, Angel of East Stroudsburg, PA; two grandchildren, Angelique and Marcus McLaughlin; two sisters, Mary McCall of East Orange, NJ and Naomi Steele of Baltimore, MD; three brothers, Bernis McLaughlin and his wife, Margaret of Raeford, NC, Ernest McLaughlin and his wife, Gennett of Newark, NJ and Dr. George C. McLaughlin of New Brunswick, NJ; and a host of other relatives and friends.

*Lovingly and Sorrowfully,  
The Family*

# Order Of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

A Parting View

Hymn

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Words of Comfort

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Hymn

Eulogy ..... Rev. Vernon H. Peters

Recessional

## Interment

Wednesday, January 5, 2011 - 10:00 am

Brig. Gen. William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery

Wrightstown, New Jersey

*Services Entrusted To:*

**G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC**

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*"Where Our Sympathy Expresses Itself Through Sincere Service"*



## Pall Bearers

Family and Friends of **Peter McLaughlin**



## **HIS JOURNEY'S JUST BEGUN**

Don't think of him as gone away –  
his journey's just begun;  
life holds so many facets –  
this earth is only one.

Just think of him as resting  
from the sorrows and the tears  
in a place of warmth and comfort  
where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing  
that we could know today  
how nothing but our sadness  
can really pass away.

And think of him as living  
in the hearts of those he touched...  
or nothing loved is ever lost...  
and he was loved so much!

### *Acknowledgement*

The family of **Peter McLaughlin** acknowledges with sincere appreciation every thought and act of kindness expressed to us during this our hour of bereavement. We will always keep you in our prayers. May God continue to richly bless you.