

# Reflections of Life

Henry Dukes, a faithful husband, dedicated father, grandfather, great grandfather and community servant, the son of the late Johnnie and Parthina Dukes, was born in Johnston, South Carolina on August 15, 1938. Henry and his mother moved to Garfield, NJ in 1940, where he pursued his education in the Garfield school system. Upon moving to Passaic, NJ, Henry continued his education graduating from Passaic High School class of 1957.

He attended the Police Academy and joined the Passaic Police Department immediately following graduation. After two years of service, Henry was promoted to Detective and served in various divisions. While on the force, he received numerous awards and citations for a job well done. He retired in 1994 after thirty-three years of dedicated service. A man with much energy, and a heart to still serve, Henry decided to take a position with the Passaic Board of Education as a member of the Security Team at the Passaic High School.

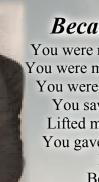
Henry was a former member of St. Paul Baptist Church Passaic where he served on the Trustee Board. He was a current member of Calvary Baptist Church, serving on the Security Team and the Men's Ministry. He was also a member of the NAACP – Passaic Branch, Passaic PBA, and Passaic Black Police Officers Association and other community organizations.

He was predeceased in death by his parents and one sister-in-law, Rhonda Wallace.

Henry leaves to cherish wonderful memories: his wife of thirty-five years, Dorothea "Robin" Dukes; one daughter, Cheryl Dye (Antonio); two sons, Jason and Jonathan Dukes; two grandchildren, Jamilah Dukes and U.S. Navy Airman Apprentice Antonio Dye; one great-granddaughter, I'Yana Hill; two sisters, Katherine Jefferson (Curtis) who was also his devoted caregiver and Brenda Scott; one devoted aunt, Minnie Buggs; one devoted cousin, John Dukes; his mother-in-law, Lula Wallace; one sister-in-law, Renee Gary (Byron); two brothers-in-law, Reco Wallace and Rocky Wallace (Karen); and a host of devoted relatives, former co-workers and friends.

## <u>Order of Worship</u> Reverend Dr. Calvin McKinney, Presiding

Processional
Hymn of Consolation #10 "O How I Love Jesus"
The Written Word
Prayer of Comfort Rev. W. Louis McDowell
Hymn of Comfort #432 "I'll Fly Away"
Words of Comfort
Acknowledgements & Obituary
Selection
Eulogy
Recessional
<u>Interment</u> East Ridgelawn Cemetery  Clifton, New Jersey



### Because You Loved me

You were my strength when I was weak, You were my voice when I couldn't speak, You were my eyes when I couldn't see, You saw the best there was in me. Lifted me up when I couldn't reach: You gave me faith 'coz you believed. I'm everything I am Because you loved me. I lost my faith, you gave it back to me. You said no star was out of reach. You stood by me and I stood tall, I had your love, I had it all. I'm grateful for each day you gave me; Maybe, I don't know that much But I know this much is true-I was blessed because I was loved by you.

### Acknowledgement

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.

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