

Celebrating the Life of

Sunrise
April 9, 1964

Sunset
January 25, 2011

Franklin Jefferson

"Frankie"

Service

Tuesday, February 1, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.

ST. MATTHEW BAPTIST CHURCH

159 E. Ninth Avenue
Roselle, NJ 07203

Rev. David Ford, Pastor
Elder James Herron, Jr., Officiating

Celebration of Life

Franklin Jefferson, affectionately known as “Frankie,” was born on April 9, 1964 in Jersey City, New Jersey. Frankie was born the youngest of eleven children to the Late Wesley and Viola Jefferson. At birth, having been given a life expectancy of two years, Frankie cheated death and lived to be forty-seven years old. He celebrated life each day and would often remark about just how wrong those doctors were.

Frankie attended John P. Stevens High School in Edison, New Jersey. He joined the Cerebral Palsy Family of Middlesex County in 1983, where he worked for several years. Frankie had a sweet spirit. Although faced with physical challenges, he never let it get him down. He always kept a happy and cheerful disposition. He greeted each day with a smile and a positive attitude.

One of Frankie’s favorite things was listening to music. He could sit and listen for hours. Frankie also enjoyed a good party. He loved to laugh and have a good time. Frankie loved his family dearly, as well as his cerebral palsy family. He had a warm heart and was loved by many.

Frankie passed away peacefully in his home on January 25, 2011.

He was predeceased by two brothers, Charles and Kenneth, and two sisters, Omega and Naomi.

He leaves to cherish his memory: stepmother, Lillian Jefferson of Jersey City, NJ; four sisters, Thomasina Harley of Moncks Corner, SC, Lucille Jefferson of Rahway, NJ, Charlotte Jefferson of Goose Creek, SC and Alice Jefferson of Charlotte, NC; two brothers, James Fordham of Elizabeth, NJ and Wesley Jefferson, Jr. of Somerset, NJ; two sisters-in-law, Carolyn Fordham and Jo Ann Jefferson; stepbrothers and stepsisters; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends.

Those We Love Remain With Us

*Those we loved remain with us,
For love itself lives on.
Cherished memories never fade,
Because a loved one is gone.
Those we love can never be,
More than a thought apart.
For as long as there are memories,
They'll live on in our hearts.*

Order Of Service

Organ Prelude

Processional

A Parting View

Scriptures

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Hymn

Tributes

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Solo “His Eye Is On The Sparrow”
Thomasina Harley

Words of Comfort Elder James Herron, Jr.

Recessional

Cremation (Private)
Rosehill Crematory
Linden, New Jersey

Services Entrusted To:

G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC

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Pall Bearers
Family and Friends of Franklin Jefferson

If Tears Could Build a Stairway

*If tears could build a memory lane
I'd walk right up to heaven
And bring you home again
No farewell words were spoken
No time to say good-bye
You were gone before I knew it.
And only God knows why.*

*My heart's still active in sadness
And secret tears still flow
What it meant to lose you
No one can ever know.
But now I know you want us
To mourn for you no more
To remember all the happy times
Life still has much in store.*

*Since you'll never be forgotten
I pledge to you today
A hallowed place within my heart
Is where you'll always stay.*

*God knows why, with chilling touch,
Death gathers those we love so much,
And what now seems so strange and dim,
Will all be clear, when we meet Him.*

*Lovingly submitted by,
The Family*

Acknowledgement

The family of **Franklin Jefferson** 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.