

*In Loving Memory  
of*



*James Edwin Underwood*

**Sunrise**

*November 26, 1924*

**Sunset**

*February 2, 2011*

*Thursday, February 10, 2011 - 11:00 a.m.*

**COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE**

1025 Bergen Street • Newark, NJ

*Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr., Officiating  
Emory Lee, Organist*

## Obituary

**James Edwin Underwood** was born to the late Mr. John Shelly and Elizabeth Davis Underwood on November 26, 1924 in Abbeville, Alabama. He departed this life Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at his home in Newark, New Jersey.

**James** was educated in Alabama. He attended the Madison Institute in Newark, New Jersey. He received a Certificate of Graduation in 1951 for Tailoring. He served in the United States Army and was honorably discharged in 1946.

**James** moved to Newark, New Jersey where he worked at Western Electric before moving on to the United States Postal Service. After twenty-eight years of service he retired from the postal service. Not one to be content just sitting around; he held several jobs after retirement. He ran the concession stand at the bingo hall, delivered meals to senior citizens with Meals on Wheels and made sweet potato pies for family and friends. These were a few of his favorites!

**James** loved his family and always had a story to tell of their latest accomplishments. He loved to travel and looked forward to his yearly visits to Los Angeles.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Theodore E. Underwood, sisters, Mary F. Corbett, Ethel Guilford, Missouri Merrell, Ola Wilborn and Elminria Stanford and brother, J.D. Underwood.

Memories will be cherished by: his son, Willie E. (Barbara Lee) Underwood, Union, NJ; daughter, Jerry Dean Jackson, Belleville, NJ; two granddaughters, Traci (Fred) Harrington, Jersey City, NJ, Wendy (Alex) Davidson, Charlotte, NC; one grandson, Willie J. Underwood, Hillside, NJ; three great grandchildren, Tiffani Harrington, Tiana Harrington and Elijah Davidson; loving niece, Eva Moore; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family members, friends and caring neighbors.

# *Order of Service*

**Musical Prelude**

**Processional**

**Opening Hymn**

**Scripture Reading**

**Old Testament**

**New Testament**

**Prayer of Comfort**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgement / Resolutions**

**Remarks (2 minutes please)**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

Bishop Hilton Rawls, Sr.

**Recessional**

**Interment**

Fairmount Cemetery

Newark, New Jersey

# To My Loved Ones

*No reason for sorrow, no reason to cry. Look toward tomorrow and I'll tell you why my memories of you and yours of me are filled with love and laughter forever. You'll see no reason to worry, nor question God as to why you have lost me. No reason to say goodbye.*

*It's time for my journey home, a beautiful and peaceful trip that I must make alone. So just be strong and keep a smile, we'll only be apart for a little while. The love I've known is a very special part, the love I've shown came straight from the heart.*

*I leave you now to go on my way to a wonderful place where we'll be together someday. No reason at all as you can see. I'm with my Lord. He'll take care of me.*

~unknown author

## *Acknowledgement*

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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