

Reflections of Life

Mr. Frank Ramsey, age 74, entered eternal rest at Long Island Jewish Hospital on Monday, February 14th, 2011 after a long illness. He was born January 22, 1937 in Harlem Hospital in Manhattan to the late Alfonso and Grace Ramsey. Frank attended elementary school, P.S. 10, Cooper Junior High School and Seward Park High School all located in Manhattan. Upon graduating from Seward Park High School in 1955, he joined the United States Marines. As a Marine, Frank served at Camp LeJeune, Korea and Japan. He was the recipient of an Honorable Discharge in 1960.

Following his discharge, he returned to NYC and was gainfully employed in the Music Industry. He was then hired as a ticket agent at Eastern and Pan Am Airlines. Frank's exuberant fun-loving nature was the hidden asset which won him a position in the VIP Lounge. His easy going humor attracted people from all walks of life. He faithfully carried out his duties in various capacities for twenty-five years.

After his retirement, Frank continued to work at the Rush Temple A.M.E. Zion Church and the Roy Wilkerson summer camp in Queens, New York.

"Frankie", as he was lovingly called by his family and friends, was known for his kind and generous outgoing, personality. He loved all types of music, especially jazz and the vocals of Johnny Mathis. Frankie, himself had a beautiful singing voice.

He enjoyed watching the news, current events, sports and movies on the television.

Frankie was a devoted family man and treasured his membership in his nuclear and extended families.

Frankie met and married his beloved wife, Ernestine Delores Ramsey, who predeceased him in 1991.

Frank and Ellen Currance have shared many loving years together. He enjoyed his life tending their garden, growing tomatoes and cooking. He was a member of Rush Temple A.M.E. Zion Church where he served on the Male Usher Board. He and Ellen did everything together, traveling to Atlantic City, Canada, Mississippi, Las Vegas, South Carolina and cultivating many lifelong friendships. They loved cooking, family gatherings, shopping at BJ's and Cosco and shopping on Home Shopping Network.

Frankie leaves to celebrate the memory of his life: his special companion, Ms. Ellen Currence; sisters, Doris Ramsey, Frances Ramsey Clarke, Jeanette Ramsey and Eunice Ramsey-Parker (Raymond); brothers, Yaw Ramsey (Carolyn) and Keith Ramsey. He was predeceased by brothers, Alfonso Ramsey, Jr. and Curtis T. Ramsey. He also leaves to cherish his memory a host of nieces and nephews, cousins, friends and other relatives.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith.

Order of Service

Organ Prelude
Processional "Going Up Yonder"
Hymn of Comfort "Blessed Assurance"
The Old Testament Scripture Ecclesiastics 3:1-9 Gloria Patri
Affirmation of Faith
The New Testament Scripture John 14:1-7
Prayer of Comfort
Selection "Tears in Heaven"
Resolutions
Acknowledgments
Obituary Mr. Lance Ramsey
Selection "It Is Well With My Soul"
Eulogy Reverend Melvin L. Tate
Recessional "Soon And Very Soon"

Interment

Kensico Cemetery
Valhalla, New York
(please turn on headlights and hazards for cemetery procession.)

I've changed my address to Heaven
I've crossed the Great Divide.
I know there's no sorrow or crying,
Because I've reached the other side.

I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place where you'll find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I bid this world goodbye.

I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the sky.

I have no burdens or heartaches
and from tears I am now free.

I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place to find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion
and my name is on the door.
You can find us walking together,
for where He is, I'll always be.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place you'll find me.

-Author unknown

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