In Coving Memory of

Sonathan Dutton

Sunrise January 17, 1949

Sunset March 8, 2011

Friday, March 18, 2011 12:00 Noon **Perry Funeral Home** 34 Mercer Street Newark, New Jersey

Reverend Sam Austin, Officiating

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Don't spend too much time in mourning, Tears are for the sad; I left to be with Jesus And this should make you glad. Don't waste your hours in grieving, No need to feel distress; I'm tired of life's frustrations And had to get some rest. Don't puzzle yourself with questions Or try to reason why Life here for me was ended, It came my time to die. Don't lose the love I gave you Feed it with your care; Grow it with devotion And spread it everywhere. Don't fret because my leaving Came in such a way; We'll have another meeting In God's eternal day.

-Author unknown



Jonathan Rodney Dutton, beloved son of Eclestes Wise and Helen Dutton, was born in New York City at Harlem Hospital on January 17, 1949. The family moved to Newark, New Jersey, where he attended the the public schools in Newark. He subsequently entered the U.S. Army and served his country, receiving an honorable discharge. After leaving the military, he became a long time employee for Grossman's Paper Product Company. During this time, he met and married the late Marcelyn Epps-Dutton.

Tico, as we all called him, fathered four daughters, who loved him as he loved them, with all of their hearts. All of his grandchildren were the apple of his eye. He spent his spare time listening to music, watching all types of movies, and working with his hands. He could repair automobiles, do electrical repairs, complete carpentry projects and other home repairs to perfection.

Jonathan leaves to cherish his memory, his mother, Helen Dutton; father, Eclestes Wise; sister, Barbara Mitchell; brothers, James, John, and Stephen Wise; brother-in-law, Timothy McGhee; daughters, Shakia Dutton-Bennett, Rasheda Turner, Sharonda Dutton, and Sybrina (Nicki B) McRae; stepson, Jeremy McRae; twelve grandchildren; his soul mate, Jean Anderson; and a host of loving aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his brother Raymond Dutton and his sister Diana D. McGhee.

Tico will truly be missed by all who loved and knew him.

I had so much to say and now I don't get a chance, because you have been taken away. I think of you everyday, wishing you didn't pass away. It hurt so bad, and this is true, we just started to get our father/daughter relationship right. I want you to come back so we can finish what we started, and make it perfect.

My father has taken his final journey. He's a new man now, and is resting in God's hands. He had more than his share of hurt both physical and emotional. His battle is now over, no more pain, no more suffering, now he is no longer weak, and now he can rest. Our time together, I will always remember.

God took the strength of a mountain, the majesty of a tree, the warmth of a summer sun, the calm of a quiet sea. The generous soul of nature, the comforting arm of night, the wisdom of the ages, the power of the eagle's flight. Then God combined these qualities, when there was nothing more to add, He knew his masterpiece was complete, and so he called it "DAD". We Love You, your daughters, Shakia, Rasheda, Sharonda and Sybrina (Nicki B) (Composed by Rasheda)

Order of Service

| The Processional Reverend Sam Austin & Family |
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| The Hymn "Precious Lord" |
| The Lord's Prayer All |
| Scriptures Old Testament - Psalm 23:1-6 All New Testament - John 14:1-6 Ms. Janice Sears |
| Tributes/Acknowledgements (2 minutes please) |
| Musical Selection Marvin Winans |
| Reading of the Obituary Ms. Janice Sears |
| The Eulogy Reverend Sam Austin |
| Final Viewing |

Recessional

Interment

Evergreen Cemetery Hillside, New Jersey

Family and friends are invited to the Masonic Lodge, 883 Sanford Avenue, Newark, NJ, for repast immediately after internment.

"Grandfather"

Grandfather's face is a kind face, and his handshake is firm and strong. His arms are just perfect for hugging, and his heart's always filled with a song. Grandfather's voice is a calm voice, and his laughter fills a room with such delight, you gave all that you had unconditionally, and we formed a closeness that I will always cherish. The seasons passed quickly, and as I grew, each year just increased my love and devotion to you. Every young heart should have someone like you, someone whose faith in them fosters a strong sense of pride. A special someone, grandfather by name, whose love helps ignite a perfect flame, that adds warmth and beauty in so many ways. A light that will guide me through all of my days. I love you grandpop. With love from, your grandchildren, Tahri, Zaniyah, Jonathan, and Ryan (Composed by grandson Johnathan)

<u>H</u>cknowledgements

The family of **Jonathan Dutton** acknowledges, with deep appreciation, all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. God bless you and your families for all your thoughtfulness and concern along with a special thank you to the staff and services provided by the Perry Funeral Home.

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